

**South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council
Board Meeting Minutes | via Zoom
Thursday, April 11th, 2024 8:00 a.m.**

Present: David Struck, Chairman; David Iverson, Vice Chairman; Todd Hanten, Treasurer; Heather Beaner, Secretary; Mike McCranie, Dawn Scheier, Bruce Haines, and Derrick Scott.

Staff Present: Jerry Schmitz, Executive Director; and Becky Cypher, Executive Assistant

Absent: John Horter

Call to Order – Chairman David Struck

Chairman Struck called the meeting to order at 7:59 a.m.

Verbal Roll Call – Chairman David Struck

Mike McCranie – present; Heather Beaner – present; Bruce Haines – present; Dawn Scheier – present; Todd Hanten – present; Derrick Scott – present; David Iverson – present; and David Struck – present; John Horter – No response/Absent

Conflicts of Interest

Chairman Struck asked board members to declare any new conflicts of interest. None reported.

Approval of Agenda – Chairman David Struck

Motion:

Mike McCranie moved to approve the board meeting agenda.

Seconded by Bruce Haines.

Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session – Personnel Discussion

Motion:

Heather Beaner moved to enter into executive session at 8:09 a.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Seconded by Mike McCranie.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion:

David Iverson moved to exit executive session at 8:49 a.m.

Seconded by Bruce Haines.

Motion passed unanimously.

USB Election

The Council used the Zoom ballot method to anonymously vote for nominees to the United Soybean Board.

Candidates for USB nominee were: Allen Merrill, David Poppens, and Tim Ostrem.

Tim Ostrem was elected as the primary nominee for the open seat. David Poppens was elected as the secondary nominee.

Public Input

Chairman Struck called for public input at 8:55 a.m. None received.

SD Mines Presentation - Unlocking Value from Soybean Waste: Sustainable production of Flavonoid and Isoflavones – Tanvi Govil

SD Mines Presentation - EcoSoyWave: Sustainable Bioplastics and Biosurfactants from Industrial Soybean Waste – David Salem

Ag United Discussion

Motion:

Todd Hanten moved that the South Dakota Soybean Research and Promotion Council consider funding Ag United contingent upon their acquiring an Executive Director.

Seconded by Derrick Scott.

Motion passed unanimously.

Other Items

MEG Corp

Becky said she received a notification from MEG Corp that the City of Sioux Falls would like a decision regarding their proposal sooner than July 1st due to timing of their biodiesel purchasing.

Motion:

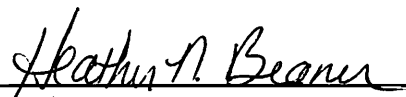
Derrick Scott moved to approve MEG Corp’s FY23 proposal extension titled “Sioux Falls Biodiesel Reimbursement Program” for FY25 in the amount of \$30,000.

Seconded by Bruce Haines.

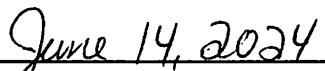
Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Chairman Struck declared the meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.



Heather Beaner, Secretary
SD Soybean Research & Promotion Council



Date Approved