

South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 14th, 2025 11:30 a.m.

via Zoom | <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82594137412>

Present: David Struck, Chairman; David Iverson, Vice Chairman; Derrick Scott, Treasurer; Bruce Haines, Chad Schooley, Jeff Thompson, and Carson Stange

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

Board Members Absent: John Horter and April Bowar

Call to Order – David Struck

Chairman Struck called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

Roll Call – by Becky Cypher

David Struck – present, David Iverson – present, John Horter – absent, Derrick Scott – present, Bruce Haines – present, April Bowar – absent, Chad Schooley – present, Jeff Thompson – present, Carson Stange – present.

Approval of Agenda – Chairman David Struck

Motion:

David Iverson moved to approve the board meeting agenda.

Seconded by Bruce Haines

Motion passed unanimously.

Conflict of Interest Disclosures – Chairman David Struck

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

Motion:

David Iverson moved to enter into executive session at 11:37 a.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Seconded by Chad Schooley.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion:

Derrick Scott moved to exit executive session at 12:43 p.m.

Seconded by Chad Schooley.

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: Mike McCranie, Dawn Scheier, David Poppens, and Jacob Wagner.

Motion:

David Iverson moved to nominate Dawn Scheier as the primary nominee for the first open seat, Mike McCranie as the primary nominee for the second open seat, and to nominate David Poppens for the secondary for both open seats.

Seconded by Bruce Haines.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

Chairman Struck called for public input at 12:50 p.m. None was received.

Other Items

Jerry discussed the Personnel Committee's recommendation of the open Communications Director position.

Motion:

Bruce Haines moved to increase the SDSA salaries line item for FY26 to \$95,600.

Seconded by Derrick Scott.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Chairman Struck declared the meeting adjourned at 12:55.



Bruce Haines, Acting Secretary
SD Soybean Research & Promotion Council



Date Approved