

Minutes of the
South Dakota Corn Utilization Council Board of Directors
Matthew Training Center
523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD
Conducted via Zoom

July 23, 2021
9:00 a.m. Central Time

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Grant Rix. The roll was called, and a quorum was present.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Grant Rix, Chad Blindaur, Jim Ketelhut, Reno Bruggeman, Jim Klebsch, Justin Minnaert, Stuart Samson, and Robert Walsh.

OTHERS PRESENT: Hunter Roberts, Jason Simmons, Brett Koenecke, Jeff Wilson, Mike Jaspers, Brenda Kruse, Jeff Burg, Jodie Hickman, Laura Hensley, Paul Tschetter, Bob Mercer, Mark Gross, and Mark Miller.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Bruggeman, to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session to discuss contract and litigation matters. The motion carried.

Moved by Bruggeman to end the executive session. Motion carried.

ACTION OF THE BOARD: Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Bruggeman, to hire Brett Koenecke, as legal counsel. Motion carried.

Motion by Ketelhut and seconded that Mr. Koenecke seek proposals for conducting a forensic audit. Motion carried.

Motion by Bruggeman, seconded by Minnaert, that Rix, Ketelhut, and Blindauer be authorized to approve payment of outstanding bills over \$500.00. Motion carried.

Chairman Rix appointed Blindauer, Bruggeman, and himself as the search committee for hiring a new executive director.

Chairman Rix stated that the committee will work with the SD Corn Growers Association on an agreement for how things are going to work in the office.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: There were no public comments.

SET NEXT MEETING: A date for the meeting was not set, but Mr. Koenecke suggested the council meet again in two weeks.

ADJOURN: Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Walsh, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Approved on _____, 2021.

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