

**SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING**  
**116 No. Euclid, Pierre, SD**  
**Conference Call and Zoom**  
**September 15, 2021**  
**Minutes**

**Present:**

Commissioners:	Tregg Cronin, SDWC Bryan Jorgensen, SDWC Terry Hand, SDWC Leon Koeppel, SDWC
Staff:	Reid Christopherson, SDWC Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Guests:	Jason Simmons, DANR Director of Outreach Dr. David Wright, SDSU AHPS Department Head Caren Assman, SDWI Executive Director

**Call to Order:**

**Chairman Cronin called the meeting to order at 9:42 a.m.**

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Commissioner Koeppel moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Commissioner Hand moved to approve the June 9, 2021 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Koeppel. Motion approved.**

**I. Public Comment Period**

No comments.

**II. Financial Reports**

**A. Review June, July and August 2021 Financials**

Theobald presented June, July and August 2021 financials. Discussion took place.

**Commissioner Koeppel moved to approve the June, July and August 2021 financials, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Motion approved.**

**B. Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Review**

Discussion took place.

**III. Production Forecast**

**A. 2021 HRW Planting Estimates**

Discussion took place.

**IV. Audit**

Discussion took place.

**Commissioner Koeppel moved to approve Eide Bailly LLP to perform a financial audit of**

**SDWC in the amount of \$10,900.00 and to amend the current budget accordingly, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Motion approved.**

**V. Organization Reports**

**A. South Dakota Wheat, Inc.**

Assman reported on the following activities with SDWI with discussion taking place:

- 2021 Ag Horizons Conference, November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>
- National Association of Wheat Growers
- Ed Grant Activities
- Possible Name Change to be Voted at Membership Meeting

**B. South Dakota State University**

Dr. Wright and Christopherson reported on the following activities at SDSU with discussion taking place:

- Pathology Department Update
- Dr. Padu Krishnan's Retirement
- Raven Precision Agriculture Center
- Remodeling of Berg Agricultural Hall
- AHPS Department Scholarship Lunch
- McFadden Endowment Update
- Division of Food Science Proposal

**C. South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources**

Simmons reported on the following activities at SD-DANR with discussion taking place:

- State Fair and Dakota Events Complex
- 2021 Ag Economic Impact in SD
- Drought Task Force
- Water and Water Runoff Issues

**VI. Staff Reports**

**A. South Dakota Wheat Commission - Reid Christopherson, Executive Director**

Christopherson reported on the following activities at SDWC with discussion taking place:

- U.S. Wheat Associates – Bylaws Amendments
- SDSU Combine Payment
- Variety Survey
- Commissioner Appointment Update - Commissioner Hand's Term Expires October 30, 2021
- Release of Midland Wheat Variety
- Letter of Support to SDSU for a Food Quality Program

**Commissioner Jorgensen moved to issue a SDWC Letter of Support for pursuing and maintaining a SDSU Food Quality Program seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.**

**VII. Market Development**

**A. U.S. Wheat Associates**

Christopherson reported on activities at USW with discussion taking place.

**B. Wheat Foods Council**

Christopherson reported on activities at Wheat Foods Council with discussion taking place.

**C. Wheat Quality Council**

Christopherson reported on activities at Wheat Quality Council with discussion taking place.

**D. Northern Crops Institute**

Chairman Cronin and Christopherson reported on activities at NCI with discussion taking place.

**E. U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative**

Jorgensen reported on activities at USWBSI with discussion taking place.

**VIII. Administrative Matters**

**A. Upcoming Events**

Discussion took place.

**B. Out of State Travel Approval**

Previously approved out of state travel was reviewed with discussion taking place. Upcoming out of state travel with discussion taking place:

- Prairie Grains Conference, December 8-9, 2021, Grand Forks, ND – Christopherson
- U.S. Wheat Fall Meeting, November 8-10, 2021, Kansas City, MO – Commissioner Koeppe, Commissioner Hand, Christopherson
- NCI Meeting & 40th Anniversary, TBD, Fargo, ND – Chairman Cronin, Christopherson
- U.S. Wheat Winter Meeting, January 10-14, 2022, Washington D.C. – Chairman Cronin, Commissioner Jorgenson, Commissioner Roseth, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Koeppe, Christopherson
- Wheat Foods Council Meeting, January 17-21, 2022, Charleston, SC - Christopherson  
**Commissioner Hand moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Motion approved.**

**C. Commission Meeting Dates**

Monday, November 29, 2021

**Commissioner Koeppe moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Hand. Meeting adjourned.**

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Julian Roseth, Secretary

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Date

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Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director

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Date

*For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.*