# MONTANA WHEAT AND BARLEY COMMITTEE

Board Meeting Zoom Meeting Great Falls, Montana September 13, 2022

The following were present for either a portion of or the entire meeting.

## **DIRECTORS**

Mike O'Hara, Chairman Terry Angvick, Director Denise Conover, Vice Chairman Max Cederberg, Director Charlie Bumgarner, Director Brett Dailey, Director

## **EX-OFFICIO DIRECTORS**

Director Clark, Department of Agriculture

#### STAFF

Jason Laird, Interim Executive Vice President Sam Anderson, Industry Analyst & Outreach Coordinator Kolleen Spurgin, Budget & Grants Coordinator Tammy Suek, Administrative Assistant

#### **GUESTS**

Cort Jensen, Staff Attorney, Department of Agriculture Zach Coccoli, Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture Mikal Wilkerson, Human Resources Manager, Department of Agriculture Kent Kupfer

### Tuesday, September 13, 2022:

Chairman O'Hara called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Introductions.

# **Merchandise discussion:**

Interim EVP Laird gave the directors some choices for new shirts and hats. The directors decided to buy their own shirts and get them embroidered themselves. They decided to invest in 150 hats.

Director Bumgarner moved, and Director Angvick seconded the motion to approve the ordering of 150 hats. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Executive Vice President Recruitment:**

Deputy Director Coccoli went over the job description for the EV President's position, there were a few changes made and discussed. They went over the salary range and probation period of a year. A hiring committee was established which included Directors O'Hara, Angvick and Conover, Mikal Wilkerson, and Director Clark. The closing date for applications will be ongoing and they will be looked at the October board meeting. There will be a budget of \$2500 to advertise the position on national employment sites.

#### **Assessment Increase:**

The increase was approved and there are hopes to have it in place by the first of the year. Cort Jensen will hold a public meeting in Helena for public comment and it is up to the Committee to decide whether other listening sessions are necessary.

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Jason Laird, Interim Executive Vice President

# **Travel Approval:**

Director Dailey moved, and Director Anguick seconded the motion to approve the travel. The motion passed unanimously.

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Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Chairman O'Hara adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Date