

**Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association  
Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 4, 2024  
The Atlas Hotel**

Keith Day Chair (Director 3B)

Arnold Balicki Past Chair (Director 9A)

Kyle Hebert (Director 1)

Wade Beck (Director 2)

Roger Meyers (Director 3A)

Randy Stokke (Director 4)

Levi Hull (Director 5)

Shelby Corey (Director 6)

Chad Ross (Director, SCFA)

Joleen Shea (Director 7)

Christine Strube (Director 9A)

Garret Poletz (Director, SCFA)

Kelly Williamson (Director, SSGA) - V

**SCA Staff:**

Grant McLellan (CEO)

Christina Betker (Policy)

Leann Clifford (Admin)

Marianne Possberg (Production)

**Regrets:**

Dean Moore (Director 9B)

Leon Leuke (Director 8)

Christine Strube (Director 9A)

Keith Day called the meeting to order at 8:05 am.

## 1. Approval of Agenda

### MOTION 2024-048: Ross / Shea

“To accept the agenda as presented.”

**Motion Carried**

#### 1.1 Review of the Minutes

##### Review of the Reports

### MOTION 2024-049: Stokke / Corey

“To accept the Jul 11, 2024 minutes as amended.”

**Motion Carried**

## Consent Agenda Reports

### Chair Report

- July 18 SODCAP meeting
- July 21 - Attended PNWER. 4 day conference meeting ministers of Sak, Ab as well as political officials in the western provinces and the northwestern U.S/
- Large portion of the time was spent n a cross border livestock health-foreign animal disease table top exercises.
- Discussions on communication, incident coordination and mitigating the impact of a disease outbreak, as well as the roles government departments play within their countries and across the border.
- Alberta producers and Cattle Feeders were present as well as Leigh Rosengren and members of Canadian Agri Food Council.
- Take aways were - that more work needs to be done after the outbreak is declared regarding funds for producers towards disposal and cleanup. Focus being put up on Food Security rather than disease outbreak.
- Participated in zoom interviews for the recipient of Reg Schellenberg award.

- Calls regarding community pasture definition, Lyle Stewarts passing, proposed changes to non-residential game birds opportunities, AgInvest cross compliance requirements and BC SPCA spot audits.
- Zoom with SARM & SSGA
- Executive call with CCA to go over the CCA AGM and meetings
- Meeting with VBP+ to prepare for the AGM in August
- CBIC Sask hospitality at its finest
- Executive and Staff meetings
- Meetings regarding Check off.

### **CEO Report**

- PNWER attendance
- CBIC attendance
- Check off meetings
- Held quarterly meetings with SSGA, SARM and SCA - discussed Marshal Services

### **Communications Committee report**

### **Recommendations**

- To move the SJHL - rink burger proposal forward

### **MOTION 2024-050: Shea / Corey**

**“That the SCA sponsor the rink burger event for 2024/25 in the amount of \$20,000.”**

**Motion Carried**

- Logos on warm u jerseys
- Players- Captain- eating the rink burger and showing beef is the fuel.

- Support CCA on the Capital Gains message to Ottawa. The message that it doesn't support producer and was not handled properly, misinformed decisions.
- Sask. government recruit agriculture foreign workers as they do nurses.

**MOTION 2024-051: Hebert / Shea**

**“To accept the consent agenda as presented.”  
Carried**

**Motion**

**8:30am LFCE - IntegrOmes Genetics Project update w/ Scott Wright, Terry Fonstad, Bart Lardner.**

- Update on the project and starting to look into funding for the 3<sup>rd</sup> phase.
- Would welcome SCA to lobby and support the project and lobby government for funding.
- Will be looking for \$ funding for the third phase. (chair, build, etc.) Where would SCA like to put their money?
- Bison has given \$, Parks Canada relations - LFCE has a pen at Goodale that has been successful.
- Arnold is on the industry initiative program - design working group for the IntegrOmes Genetics.
- Randy sits of the Grassland Initiative (GCI) without per diem.
- That SCA fund the representative to the committee on the IntergOmes Genetics Project. This is a locked in position as per Scott Wright.

**MOTION 2024-052: Ross / Hebert**

**“That when SCA is approached for committee representatives to a industry board or committee then SCA appoint the director to the position and per diems and expenses are paid. This needs to be decided before representing.”**

**1.2 Financial Report**

**MOTION 2024-053: Hebert / Ross**

**“To accept the Financial report as presented.”**

**Motion Carried**

Reviewed the Budget for 24/25

**MOTION 2024-054: Hebert / Ross**

**“To accept the 24/25 Budget as presented.”**

**Motion Carried**

**New Business**

**Fall District Meetings**

- Christina will be producing the deck.
- Discussion on the check off increase.
- Discussion on name change
- Would like a form Text - to each Director - so they can send it out to their producers in the district
- Are there other resolutions that SCA needs to provide: - Revenue insurance LPIP/ Cost of production.
- Gopher & vole & moles control
- Keep noxious weeds control with the RMs.
- Need resolutions from our districts to have direction.
- Get wildlife numbers - Kyle to ask Conservation officer to attend
- Tour LFCE / Research items District 6
- Wildlife information for District 4
- District 9A - Chad/Keith/Leann
- CCA reps come talk about their doings. Ryan, Philip

**CBIC Debrief**

- Was positive

## Old Business

### Check Off Refunds

- Discussion

## 3.00 Old Business

### Round Table

- Getting back in routine, looking at projects are moving forward, meetings to be booked with research and animal committees.
- Research results on website good and bad should be covered.
- Send out the list of research that are looking for producers.
- Attend the BFRF - needs producer to attend - not worth it if nobody attends.
- National Beef Strategy Plan from Brenna - will be in your mailboxes in the next week for feedback. Please make sure you respond.
- Predation claims are on the rise in community pastures. No carcass to evaluate, to get compensation- what is to be done about this? Can crop insurance pay a percentage?
- Is there a program - yes it pays out a percentage - they payout on the differences between the in numbers and the out numbers. SCIC- only pays out half of the value of the loss. Better than nothing. Ask SCIC to promote this program - or at least let people know about it when they ask. Good for pasture patrons, not so good for individual producers as there no paperwork in the pastures? Is there a way?
- Check off AGM - large turnover on the board - 6 new members. Chad the longest running ends 2026
- Julie Mortenson would like Julie to move into Chad s position
- Chad and Crystal going to Asis with Canada Beef
- Brand inspection rates are going up, feedlots not going to be happy with this increase, they need to see value as the inspectors do very little. Cow calf producers will feel the increase as well
- How is the LFCE board made up? producers? Why so much Bison? Do they pay their share? Do we put board rep. on their board?
- Positive SBIC experience - best so far
- Feedlot projects to look at

- PCAP finalize their fall meeting end of October.
- SK VBP+ = start plan, governance training, SCAP funding for 4 years - did SCA receive notice of assessment?
- Shannon from National VBP+ from Calgary to come help with Start plan. Spot audited vs non for VBP+ ranches. SCPA AB does random spots audits but if you are VBP+ then no spot audits are allowed as you are audited already.
- BC land claims are getting serious, water rights to the indigenous, lease land unobtainable now. Cant make a living.
- Good relationship with governments.
- Do we have a bucket list of items we are asking the election officials.
- Who is the responsible for the judgement on rollovers? The first person on site? Vets? RCMP?
- Need the contact list for rollovers. - this list has gone to the national disaster peoples & the RCMP peoples,
- LMS relationship - we need to get this rectified.
- Look for ways to better work with them - videos?
- Canadian Border Services closing services at Sask. borders. What does this look like for Sask? SCA? Rural decay if they close
- It is an Federal initiative, US wants times to correspond together, feds want to close all together.
- SCA should support keeping the borders open.
- Randy to go to the Trans Boundary Grasslands workshop - Oct 22-24<sup>th</sup> - should he continue going? Direction for Randy to go.
- Manitoba brand inspection appetite? Are they moving forward to having a provincial brand inspection as does Saskatchewan, MBP Board looks like they are on board approx.. 90%
- MB NDP is looking at supporting - not a political hot button, but progress is to be had.

Note:

October Board meeting - cancelled

November Board Meeting is the 14<sup>th</sup> and will be a zoom meeting

Agribition is the 25<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> - with Dire4ctors attending Wed to Sat

**MOTION 2024-055: Hebert**

**“To adjourn.”**

3:38pm

Motion Carried



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Board Chair - Keith Day

\_\_\_\_Leann Clifford\_\_\_\_ - Recording Secretary  
2024

Date approved November 13,