



**Nevada Board of Agriculture  
Meeting Minutes  
Friday, January 22, 2016 9:00 A.M.**

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## Minutes

### 1. Open meeting-call meeting to order by Chair Dave Stix, Jr. – 9:08 AM

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll call – Board: Alan Perazzo, Paul Noe, Brian Nakaguchi, Tim Duffurena, Jim Snyder, Pete Paris, Paul Anderson, Dave Stix, Boyd Spratling, Ramona Morrison; Staff: Dennis Belcourt, Flint Wright, Rebecca Allured, Bart O’Toole, Jeff Sutich, Tatjana Vukovic, Dale Hansen, Meghan Brown, Robert Little, Russel Wilhelm, Donnell Barton, Shawn McFalls, Mark Jensen, Jerri Conrad

### 2. Public Comment

None

### 3. Minutes

- A. \*Approve September 2, 2015 Board meeting minutes *(for possible action)*

Boyd Spratling moves. Pete Paris seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

### 4. Director’s Report

- a. \*Discussion of proposed merger of Cooperative Extension into the UNR College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources (CABNR) *(for possible action)*

Dean Bill Payne, from the CABNR, shares information regarding Cooperative Extension rejoining the CABNR.

Boyd Spratling moves to endorse Cooperative Extension rejoining the CABNR and directs Director Barbee to draft a letter supporting the rejoining. Ramona Morrison seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- b. Report – Director Barbee *(for information)*

### 5. Administration

- a. 2016 Economic Analysis of Nevada Agriculture summary presentation – Tatjana Vukovic, Information and Education Officer *(for information)*
- b. European trade Business Development Mission update – Jeff Sutich, International Marketing Coordinator *(for information)*
- c. Board update – Dale Hansen, Fiscal Administration *(for information)*
- d. Board update – Rebecca Allured, PIO II *(for information)*

## 6. Plant Industry

- a. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to amend the pesticide regulations to protect the public and the environment NRS 555 – Robert Little, Division Administrator **(for possible action)**

Brian Nakaguchi moves to adopt the language from workshop and hearing for NAC 555. Paul Noe seconds. Motion passes unanimous. LCB File No. RO93-15.

- b. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to adopt the regulations necessary to clarify Producer's Certificates and Vendor Certificates. AB 77 and NRS 576, chapter 576 – Robert Little **(for possible action)**

Paul Noe moves to adopt the regulations necessary to clarify Producer's Certificates and Vendor Certificates AB 77 and NRS 576, chapter 576. LCB File No. R086-15. Jim Snyder seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- c. \*Nevada Seed Council requests to expend \$5,000.00 from the 4544-10 Research and Promotion account to donate to a research initiative associated with UNCE – Russell Wilhelm, Agriculturist I **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to approve expending of funds. Paul Noe seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- d. \*Nevada Seed Council requests to expend \$5,000.00 from the 4544-10 Research and Promotion account to donate to the National Alfalfa Forage Alliance in order to continue funding the initiative to further alfalfa seed research technologies – Russell Wilhelm, Agriculturist I **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to approve expending of funds. Ramona Morrison seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- e. \*Nevada Seed Council requests to expend \$2,072.27 from the 4544-10 Research and Promotion account in order to pay assessment dues and maintain membership accreditation with the National Alfalfa Forage Alliance – Russell Wilhelm, Agriculturist I **(for possible action)**

Ramona Morrison moves to approve expending of funds. Pete Paris seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- f. \*Request permission to proceed to workshop and hearing related to regulations for Aquaculture – Robert Little, Division Administrator **(for possible action)**

Paul Noe moves to give permission to proceed to workshop and hearing for regulations for Aquaculture. Alan Perazzo seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

- g. Board update – Robert Little, Division Administrator (***for information***)

## 7. Consumer Equitability

- a. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to make update and cleanup changes to NAC 590 sections 050, 051, 052, 053, 054, 055, and 065 – William Striejewske, Senior Petroleum Chemist (***for possible action***)

Paul Anderson moves to approve adopting language from workshop and hearing from LCB File No. R094-15, excluding section 015. Paul Noe seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.

- b. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to add language to NAC 590.059 concerning labeling of 85 octane gasoline and renumber sections following - William Striejewske (***for possible action***)

Paul Anderson moves to approve adopting language from workshop and hearing from LCB File No. R107-15. Brian Nakaguchi seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.

- c. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to update and rewrite language related to antifreeze in NAC 590 sections 010 through 035 - William Striejewske (***for possible action***)

No action taken.

- d. Board update – Bart O’Toole, Administrator (***for information***)

## 8. Food & Nutrition

- a. Food & Nutrition program public outreach and education activities presentation – Catrina Peterson, School Nutrition Services Manager and Amber Smyer, Agriculture Literacy Coordinator (***for information***)

- b. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing for Chapter 583 to promulgate the regulations necessary to license Craft Food operations SB 441 – Lynn Hettrick (***for possible action***)

Ramona Morrison moves to approve adopting language from workshop and hearing for Chapter 583. LCB File No. R088-15. Paul Anderson seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.

- c. Board update - Donnell Barton, Administrator ***(for information)***

## **9. Animal Industry**

- a. \*Adopt language from workshop and hearing to adopt the Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO) model bill for the implementation of Food Security Modernization Act (FSMA), as required by SB 488, as amendments to NAC chapter 587 - Flint Wright, Administrator ***(for possible action)***

Boyd Spratling moves to approve adopting language from the workshop and hearing to adopt the AAFCO model bill for the implementation of FSMA as required by SB488 as amendments to NAC chapter 587, LCB File No. R100-15. Alan Perazzo seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- b. \*Request permission to charge time and mileage, as a nominal fee, to cover the costs of poultry birds flock inspections for producers voluntarily seeking National Poultry Improvement Program flock certification – Flint Wright ***(for possible action)***

Ramona Morrison moves to give permission to charge time and mileage as a nominal fee to cover the costs of poultry inspections. Jim Snyder seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- c. Board update – Flint Wright ***(for information)***

## **10. Board Member Presentations**

- A. \*Reappointment oaths – Dennis Belcourt, Deputy Attorney General ***(for possible action)***
  - i. David Stix, Jr. takes oath
- B. \*Officer elections – Chair Dave Stix, Jr. ***(for possible action)***

Paul Anderson moves to nominate Boyd Spratling as vice chair. Tim Duffurena seconds. Motion passed unanimous. Boyd Spratling moves to nominate Paul Anderson as chair. Jim Snyder seconds. Motion passed unanimous.

## **11. Public Comment**

- A. Letter from Lili Wolf submitted into the record and attached.

## **12. Adjournment**

Jim Snyder moves to adjourn. Paul Noe seconds. Motion passes unanimous.

January 4, 2016

Jill Silvey, District Manager  
Bureau of Land Management, Elko District Office  
3900 E. Idaho St  
Elko, NV 89801

Dear Ms. Silvey,

We are writing concerning the fence that the Paiute Pipeline project is removing and replacing along SR 225, Mountain City Highway. We run cattle on private property and Lone Mountain Allotment bordering the west side of SR 225 from just south of Pie Creek to Adobe Ranchos, some 18 miles of highway fence. This fence is a border fence for SR 225, preventing livestock from getting on SR 225 and causing traffic accidents. SR 225 is a primary route linking Elko, Tuscarora, Wildhorse reservoir, and Idaho, and has heavy and increasing use due to the increase in Elko County's population and the mining operations in northern Elko County. We have therefore argued from the beginning of this project that, as a matter of public safety, the portion of fence that is being removed and replaced, must be replaced with the same specifications as the fence that has been removed.

We have pressed these concerns at many meetings, both in the Elko BLM office and on-site. During an on-site meeting at the northernmost Pie Creek pasture gate with BLM personnel Ken Wilkinson, Jerrie Bertola, Marissa Murphy, and Melissa Wood, it was agreed that on BLM property the new fence would have the same number of wires (four barbed) and wire spacing as the original. This was decided after looking at the wire placement at this spot. At this gate the top wire ranged from 50 to 54 inches and the bottom wire from 14.5 to 23 inches above the ground. We have since taken measurements at multiple sites on both the west and east sides of the 18 miles of SR 225 that our property/allotment borders. The average for the livestock border fence on the west side is 48.71 inches (top wire) and 15.75 inches (bottom wire) above the ground and on the east side 48.28 inches (top wire) and 14.13 inches (bottom wire) above the ground.

We also want to note that Nevada statute defines a legal fence. This definition includes a requirement that legal fences must have the bottom wire no more than 12 inches above the ground and the top wire no less than 48 inches above the ground, standards that we will meet with the replacement fences being built on our private property.

On September 3, 2015, we met again with Rich Adams and Jerrie Bertola and Mr. Adams informed us that the decision had been made that the new fence on BLM property will have a top wire only 42 inches above the ground and a bottom wire 16 inches above the ground. We again expressed our very strong opinion that a top wire this low is insufficient to act as an effective barrier to cattle crossing the fence, getting on SR 225 and causing a safety hazard.

We request written acknowledgement that the Elko BLM office has received this letter and an assurance that this letter be permanently added to our file in that office. We are forwarding this

letter on to persons we feel should be aware of this situation affecting the safety of Nevada's highways.

Please feel free to contact us if you would like to discuss this matter in further detail. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lili Wolf', written in a cursive style.

Lili Wolf  
Dorsey Land

cc.

BLM Personnel - John Ruhs, Rich Adams, Jerrie Bertola, Ken Wilkinsen

Paiute Pipeline Company - Michael Ross

FERC- Tony Rana

Arcadis -- Russ Colett