



**Nevada Board of Agriculture
Minutes
Tuesday, March 29, 2016 9:00 A.M.**

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AGENDA

1. Open meeting-call meeting to order by Chair Paul Anderson

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll call

Las Vegas Board Jim Snyder, Boyd Spratling, Brian Nakaguchi, Dave Stix, Paul Noe, Tim Duffurena, Paul Anderson; Staff Tony Marcen, Robert Little, JJ Goicoechea, Flint Wright, Bart O'Toole, Patricia Hoppe, Jim Barbee, Jerri Conrad, Rebecca Allured, Catrina Peters, Jeff Knight; Sparks Board Alan Perazzo, Charlie Frey, Ramona Morrison; Staff Dennis Belcourt, Shawn McFalls, Lynn Hettrick, Donnell Barton, Debra Crowley; Elko Staff Meghan Brown

2. Public Comment

None

3. Minutes

- A. *Approve February 25, 2016 Board meeting minutes *(for possible action)*

Boyd Spratling moves to approve. Paul Noe seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

4. Director's Report

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

5. Administration

- A. *Department uniform policy revision approval – Debra Crowley, ASO III *(for possible action)*

Included additional personal from Food and Nutrition and Division Administrators and any increases in per item costs.

Dave Stix moves to approve. Jim Snyder seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- B. Board update – Debra Crowley, ASO III *(for information)*
- C. Board update – Rebecca Allured, Public Information Officer II *(for information)*

6. Plant Industry

- A. Update on the industrial hemp regulation (LCB File No. R085-15) process – Robert Little, Division Administrator **(for information)**
- B. Board update – Robert Little **(for information)**

7. Consumer Equitability

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

8. Food & Nutrition

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

9. Animal Industry

- A. *Adopt final regulation LCB File No. R019-15 Horses, Mules and Asses – Flint Wright **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to adopt final regulation LCB File No. R019-15 Horses, Mules and Asses CVI. Dave Stix, Jr. seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- B. *Adopt final regulation LCB File No. R015-15 Vaccination of Female Cattle or Bison Before Change of Ownership – Flint Wright **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to adopt final regulation LCB File No. R015-15 Vaccination of Female Cattle or Bison Before Change of Ownership. Dave Stix, Jr. seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- C. *Adopt final regulation LCB File No. R017-15 Exposed Herd: Classification; Placement Under and Release from Hold Order; Lease and Transfer of Ownership; Release to Slaughter Channel - Flint Wright **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to adopt final regulation LCB File No. R017-15 Exposed Herd: Classification; Placement Under and Release from Hold Order; Lease and Transfer of Ownership; Release to Slaughter Channel. Dave Stix, Jr., motion passes unanimously.

- D. *Adopt final regulation LCB File No. R016-15 Veterinary Presence at Livestock Markets - Flint Wright **(for possible action)**

Boyd Spratling moves to adopt final regulation LCB File No. R016-15 Veterinary Presence at Livestock Markets. Tim Dufurrena seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Dave Stix, Jr. moves to reconsider and to approve a motion to adopt the regulation set forth in the LCB-approved version as read by Dennis Belcourt. Ramona Morrison seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

E. Board update – Flint Wright (*for information*)

10. Board Member Presentations

A. *Reappointment oaths – Dennis Belcourt, Deputy Attorney General (*for possible action*)

i. Jim Snyder

Jim Snyder is sworn in by Dennis Belcourt.

11. Public Comment

None

12. Adjournment

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE DIRECTOR
OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

LCB File No. R016-15

July 27, 2015

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 573.130 and 573.190.

A REGULATION relating to public sales of livestock; requiring the operator of a public livestock auction to ensure that an accredited veterinarian is present at the public livestock auction on each regularly scheduled sale day; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law authorizes the State Department of Agriculture to require such testing, treating and examining of livestock sold, traded, exchanged or handled at or through public livestock auctions that may be necessary to prevent the spread of infectious, contagious or parasitic diseases among the livestock of this State. (NRS 573.130)

This regulation requires an operator of a public livestock auction to ensure that an accredited veterinarian is present at the public livestock auction for not less than 2 hours of each regularly scheduled sale day. This regulation specifies that the operator of a public livestock auction who violates this requirement is responsible for the administrative fines imposed by the Department for such a violation. This regulation also provides that the Department may consider as cause for the revocation of a regularly scheduled sale day the continued failure of an operator of a public livestock auction to comply with the requirements of this regulation.

Section 1. Chapter 573 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The operator of a public livestock auction shall ensure that an accredited veterinarian is present for not less than 2 hours on each regularly scheduled sale day to assess the health of the animals at the public livestock auction.

2. An operator of a public livestock auction who fails to ensure that an accredited veterinarian is present on each regularly scheduled day of a public livestock auction as required by subsection 1 shall, for each such violation, pay to the Department the administrative fine imposed pursuant to NRS 573.190.

3. The Department may consider as cause for the revocation of a regularly scheduled sale day the continued failure by an operator of a public livestock auction to meet the requirements of subsection 1.

4. As used in this section, “accredited veterinarian” has the meaning ascribed to it in NAC 571.602.