

**Meeting location:** **Nevada Department of Agriculture**  
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## **Agenda**

### **1. Open meeting-call meeting to order by Chair Woody Worthington**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Moment of Silent Reflection
- C. Roll call

Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Board members in attendance: Dave Coon, Valerie Drake, Tim Dufurrena, Charlie Frey, Varlin Higbee, Heather Lackey, Paul Noe, Pete Paris, Bernard Petersen, Woody Worthington

Staff members in attendance: Jennifer Ott, Samantha Bellwood, Doug Farris, Cadence Matijevich, Homa Anooshehpour, Ashley Jeppson, Keith Forbes, Jamie Thompson, Richard Yien

### **2. Public Comment**

Tracy Wilson provided an update from American Wild on their fertility control cooperative agreement with the NDA.

Jennifer Garrett provided public comment concerned with notification on regulation changes, specifically NAC 571.

Doug Busselman, representing the Nevada Farm Bureau, provided public comment requesting that Board approve for all regulations changes made by the NDA and encouraged them under their authority stipulated in NRS 561 to includes these as action items on future agenda.

Joe Frey provided public comment requesting that the board take back more control of the NDA oversight and have a say in regulation changes as these have a significant economic impact on the ranchers and producers they affect.

## Minutes

- A. \*Approve March 10, 2021 minutes (*for possible action*)

Heather Lackey moved to approve the March 10, 2021 minutes. Pete Paris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### 4. Appointment Board Member for PARC Board

- A. \*Appoint Board of Agriculture Member to serve on the Predatory and Rodent Control Board – Woody Worthington (*for possible action*)

Bernard Petersen volunteered to serve on the PARC board. Pete Paris moved to approve Bernard Petersen's appointment to the PARC board. Heather Lackey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### 5. Board Member Updates on Represented Industries

- A. Industry Updates – Board Members (*for information*)

### 6. Review of Agriculture Bills Passed through Nevada Legislature

- A. Review of Bills – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for information*)

### 7. Director's Report

- A. Report – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for information*)

### 8. Animal Industry

- A. Board update – Doug Farris, Administrator (*for information*)
- B. Review proposed language changes for NAC 564 and NAC 565 – Doug Farris, Administrator (*for information only*)

### 9. Consumer Equitability

- A. Board update – Cadence Matijevich, Administrator (*for information*)
- B. \*Request approval from the board to initiate the administrative rulemaking process to amend Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 590 – MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND ANTIFREEZE to implement certain provisions of Assembly Bill 31 of the 81<sup>st</sup> session of the Nevada Legislature, including adoption of specification standards for diesel exhaust fluid, petroleum heating products and aviation fuel, and adding requirements for proof of transfer of petroleum products and motor vehicle fuel which, if sold, would violate any of the provisions of NRS 590.010 to 590.150, inclusive. – William Striejewski, Chemist V (*for possible action*)

Valerie Drake moved to initiate the administrative rulemaking process to amend Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 590 – MOTOR FUEL, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND

ANTIFREEZE to implement certain provisions of Assembly Bill 31 of the 81<sup>st</sup> session of the Nevada Legislature. Charlie Frey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Request approval from the board to initiate the administrative rulemaking process to amend Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 590 –MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND ANTIFREEZE to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill 411 of the 81<sup>st</sup> session of the Nevada Legislature, to include revision of the maximum allowable percent ethanol by volume contained in gasoline sold for use in a vehicle which is primarily driven on a highway. – William Striejewski, Chemist V (*for possible action*)

Charlie Frey moved to initiate the administrative rulemaking process to amend Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 590 – MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND ANTIFREEZE to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill 411 of the 81<sup>st</sup> session of the Nevada Legislature. Valerie Drake seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## 10. Food and Nutrition

- A. Board update – Homa Anooshehpour, Administrator (*for information*)

## 11. Plant Industry

- A. Board update – Ashley Jeppson, Administrator (*for information*)

## 12. Administration

- A. Board update – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for information*)
- B. \* Department Telecommuting Policy revision – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for possible action*)

Charlie Frey moved to approve the Department Telecommuting Policy revision. Heather Lackey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. \*Department Volunteer Policy revision – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for possible action*)

Pete Paris moved to approve the Department Volunteer Policy revision. Charlie Frey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. \*Department Hours of Employment Policy revision – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for possible action*)

Valerie Drake moved to approve the Department Hours of Employment Policy revision. Heather Lackey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- E. \*Department Outside Employment Policy revision – Jennifer Ott, Director (*for possible action*)

Pete Paris moved to approve the Department Outside Employment Policy revision. Charlie Frey

seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-1.

### **13. Board Member Tour of the NDA Sparks Headquarters**

A. For security reasons, the tour is only limited to Board of Agriculture Members (*for information only*)

### **14. Public Comment**

Pete Paris provided public comment requesting support from the NDA to use any funds its receives from the federal Recovery Act to provide the infrastructure for a helicopter to aid the PARC program and APHIS-Wildlife Services if possible.

Bernard Petersen provided public comment asking if there is a grant writing process for receiving funds from the American Recovery Act

### **15. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.