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MEETING MINUTES MACO AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

Great Falls, MT | Heritage Inn: February 10, 2020

X Larry Hendrickson, Chair, Liberty	Gary Kartevold, Dawson	Lee Randall, Powder River
X Tom Rice, Vice Chair, Beaverhead	X Tom Kuka, Pondera	X Roy Rost, Fallon
Daniel Allhands, Madison	X Jim Larson, Cascade	X Dan Sager, Powell
Scott Blain, Carbon	X Robert Lee, Rosebud	Rod Schaffer, Powder River
X John Bolstad, Sheridan	John Lewis, Golden Valley	X Dale Seifert, Pondera
X Adam Carlson, Musselshell	X Mikel Lund, Daniels	X Rod Tauck, Carter
X Bruce Christofferson, Phillips	Rem Mannix, Powell	X Dennis Teske, Prairie
X Jerry Collins, Garfield	X Jim Moore, Judith Basin	Herb Townsend, Meagher
X Donna Giacometto, Powder River	X James Moos, McCone	X Mike Wendland, Hill
X Jim Hodgskiss, Teton	X Jim Morren, Pondera	X Maureen Wicks, Liberty
X Keith Holmlund, Custer	Joseph Pehan, Toole	X Sandy Youngbauer, Fergus
X John Jackson, Beaverhead	X Mark Peterson, Hill	X Amy Adler, MWCA Rep.
X Adam Jones, Wheatland	Sid Pugrud, Petroleum	·

1. Roll Call & Introductions

Chair Hendrickson called the meeting to order, and roll call was conducted (see above).

Others Present: Commissioner Ross Butcher, Fergus County; Commissioner Todd Devlin, Prairie County; Commissioner Richard Dunbar, Phillips County; Commissioner Loren Young, Richland County; Alison Vergeront, Senator Daines' Office; Sonny Capece, Casey Collins, and Lesley Robinson, Congressman Gianforte's Office; and Shantil Siaperas, MACo Communications Director

2. Appoint Temporary Secretary

Commissioner Wicks was appointed to act as Temporary Secretary.

3. Review & Approval of Minutes: September 24, 2019

Commissioner Wicks moved, and Commissioner Rice seconded to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Review/Update Committee Policy Statements

Ms. Siaperas updated committee on current policy statements. Commissioner Peterson moved, and Commissioner Lee seconded, to accept and approve policy statements. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Trade Agreement & Its Effects on Wheat, Barley & Livestock: Cassidy Marn, Executive VP, Montana Wheat & Barley Commission; Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers

The Committee heard form Cassidy Marn Executive Vice President, Montana Wheat and Barley Commission,

and Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers. They each updated the Committee on trade agreements and issues that were happening at the current time.

6. Montana Weed Control Association Update: Amy Adler, MWCA Representative

Amy Adler, MWCA Representative, updated committee on current issues coming from the Montana Weed Control Association.

7. County Roundtable Discussion

Committee members updated group on new and exciting things in their counties.

8. Other Business

Congressional Representatives were asked to introduce themselves and give a brief statement on what was happening.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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