

NFRBMEA Board Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2020 via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am CDT. Board members present: Pauline VanNurden, Lori Tonak, Deb Pike, Jennifer Smith, Brad Sirianni, Tina LeBrun, Myron Oftedahl

Positive updates shared

NFRBMEA Conference discussion, Bob Rhea and Pauline have been in contact Bob Rhea is recommending reschedule date

Conference location, will not have a cancellation fee, if we need to reschedule.

Dates Myron has for August and September reschedule, hesitation to use September date since that would eliminate family activity due to kids being back in school, but is August a late enough date for the peak of the COVID-19 virus?

Dr. Kohl already scheduled as a webinar, do we keep that yet? Also, how to do annual meeting if no conference?

Travel bans in place until end of May for faculty and staff in MN, WI, & SD (until May 1 currently)

If push back conference, SC scheduled for 2021, and maybe do Ft. Collins 2022, but need to talk to extension about 2022 because that is a triennial conference year.

Maybe use Dr. Kohl webinar to help recruit and get dues paid. Can we get a sponsor to help cover cost of Dr. Kohl webinar if we only do the webinar in June? Cost was \$1250 for 1 hour for Dr. Kohl for conference. Myron will contact Dr. Kohl to discuss costs and option to do a webinar? Have Dr. Kohl open to anyone coming to conference. Maybe open up webinar to Lenders? Maybe state lender associations help sponsor Dr. Kohl and invite lenders.

Decision to not do conference this June 2020 in Ft. Collins, CO.

NFRBMEA Board meeting could be held on-line too.

Tina brought up ways to use professional development training by using Dr. Kohl.

A way for NFRBMEA to provide professional development trainings to membership.

Possibly use a survey monkey to get feedback from membership on what they would like to do for professional development. Also, use NUTS & BOLTS to communicate conference postponement, and to share options for webinars and professional development.

Deb is willing to compile and enter survey monkey questions. The board could all work together to compile the survey. Pauline and Brad will organize a google doc to start compiling survey monkey questions. Board meeting again next Monday April 13 at 11am to finalize survey. Also push back NUTS & BOLTS a week to be published. Need to post on conference website conference decision for Ft. Collins.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Submitted by,
Jennifer Smith, Secretary