

Minutes of the 35th Annual NFRBMEA Business Meeting

June 18, 2020 ● Meeting Conducted via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 am by Pauline Van Nurden, who also reviewed the proposed meeting agenda. Motion by Jay Olsen, second by Myron Oftedahl to approve the agenda; all in favor.

The Secretary's report was given by Jennifer Smith. Motion by Ron Dvergsten, second by Keith Olander to approve; all in favor.

The Treasurer's Report and Audit Report were presented by Myron Oftedahl. He reviewed the 2019-20 Budgeted vs. Actual report. There is \$7,500 in seed money for next year's National Conference. National Council expenses were higher because of dues being paid for two years in one fiscal year. Expenses were drastically reduced by having online meetings. Overall, we were short \$2,520.94 from our budgeted amounts. The 2021-22 Proposed Budget has a total revenue of \$11,400.00 and total expenses of \$12,070.00, with a net proposed loss of \$670.00. Lori Tonak will have Council travel budgets for September soon. Everything has been submitted to accountant for taxes but not completed yet.

Motion by Betsy Jensen to approve the 2021-22 Proposed Budget, second by Jason Fewell; all in favor.

Motion by Ron Dvergsten, with second by Kara Wulfekuhle, to approve the Treasurer's Report; all in favor.

Jennifer Smith presented the Roll Call of States. Written and oral reports were given from Vermont, Utah, Oklahoma, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Colorado and Ohio.

The Communications Director's Report was given by Deb Pike. Motion to approve by Jason Fewell, second by Jay Olson; all in favor.

President Pauline Van Nurden presented the Officer Nominations for 2020-21:

- Co-President: Pauline VanNurden and Brad Sirianni
- President Elect: Myron Oftedahl
- Secretary: Jennifer Smith
- Treasurer: Kara Wulfekuhle, Jeff Schultz

Tina LeBrun gave the Conference Sponsorship Coordinator Report. She reported that the two levels for sponsorship for the virtual conference this year were \$250 and \$500. BASE, CFFM, and National Crop Insurance sponsored at the \$250 level, EasyFarm and PcMars sponsored at the \$500 level, and the NAFBAS organization contributed \$3,000, resulting in about a \$400 profit. John Deere did not sponsor for the second time in a row. Motion to approve conference sponsorship report by Jennifer Smith, second by Rodney Armstrong. Motion passed.

The National Council for Ag Education (NCAE) Report was given by Lori Tonak. She provided an oral and a written report that will be posted. Myron Oftedahl moved to approve the National Council Report, David Gillman seconded; all in favor.

Pauline Van Nurden gave a summary of the 2019-20 NFRBMEA Annual Report. The themes were Virtual and Professional Development for this year. Holding the fall board meeting online for the first time kicked off the virtual theme. The Annual Report will be posted on our website when complete.

Myron Oftedahl gave the 2020 National Conference Report. He learned the planning process is more important than the plan, and essentially ended up planning two conferences this year, with the change from an in-person conference in Colorado, then having to switch to a virtual conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The final numbers for the virtual conference will be published in *NUTS & BOLTS*. There is a possibility of a 2020 Fall Virtual Conference as well. Please watch for NFRBMEA dues paid as there was a small problem with them getting paid online.

Pauline Van Nurden gave a brief 2021 Conference Report, announcing the next National Farm Business Management Conference will be held in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina June 14-17, 2021. The video with details will be posted.

The election of NFRBMEA Officers for 2020-21 was held. President Pauline again presented the slate: Pauline VanNurden and Brad Sirianni, Co-President; Myron Oftedahl, President Elect; Jennifer Smith, Secretary; Kara Wulfekuhle or Jeff Schultz, Treasurer. The membership voted via an online poll. Our new Treasurer is Kara Wulfekuhle.

In Other Business, Myron Oftedahl was thanked for all his conference planning work.

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm.

Jennifer Smith
NFRBMEA Secretary