

**Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association
Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
The Atlas, Regina, SK**

Keith Day Chair (Director 3B)

Arnold Balicki Past Chair (Director 9A)

Kyle Hebert (Director 1)

Wade Beck (Director 2) - Virtual

Roger Meyers (Director 3A)

Randy Stokke (Director 4) - Virtual

Shelby Corey (Director 6)

Joleen Shea (Director 7)

Leon Leuke (Director 8)

Christine Strube (Director 9A)

Jeff Yorga (Director, SSGA)

SCA Staff:

Grant McLellan (CEO)

Christina Betker (Policy)

Leann Clifford (Admin)

Regrets:

Levi Hull (Director 5)

Dean Moore (Director 9B)

Chad Ross (Director, SCFA)

Kelly Williamson (Director, SSGA)

Garret Poletz (Director, SCFA)

Marianne Possberg (Production)

Keith Day called the meeting to order at 8:05 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION 2024-017: Lueke/Corey

“To accept the agenda as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.01 Review of Minutes

February 15, 2024, Minutes

MOTION 2024-018: Hebert / Strube

“To accept the February 15, 2023, meeting minutes as presented.”
Carried

Motion

1.02 Chair Report

MOTION 2024-019: Day / Hebert

“To accept the Chair Report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.03 CEO Report

MOTION 2024-020: Shea/Corey

“To accept the CEO report as presented.”

Motion Carried

1.04 Financial Report

- Went through the reports and discussion.

MOTION 2024-021:

“To accept the Financial report as presented.”

Motion Carried

Committee Reports

Policy Committee

- Cash Deferral discussion - may have regulatory challenges
- Vet drugs discussion - harmonize to US, availability.
- Grasslands Conservation Initiative - support the initiative need better communications, all are talking
- Crop Insurance program - push producers to utilize the SCIC livestock version.
- Revenue insurance program - AFC / SCIC it is looking at US weaned calf model.

External Reports

CCA Meetings Discussion

Lynn Grant - Domestic Ag Committee - report submitted to Grant

Ryan Beierbach - Trade / Food Policy Committee - report submitted

Philip Lynn - Animal Welfare Committee - report submitted

Rick Toney - Hall of Fame

- April 13 for the inductee supper \$75/person
- \$1500 fee increased to \$2000 due to increase in portrait fees
- Housed in the WD Museum SSK and needs to be renovated, and Ag Hall of Fame will have to now pay rent or move. Investigate possible Prairieland with added sponsors.

LSS Rick Toney

- Meeting tomorrow, went through the budget - they are running in the red and using their reserves, This will be running out within the next year
- Producer Lists from LSS, should Rick keep pursuing. Will be in contact with Jason to see if they are more advanced than they were previously.
- Code of Conduct review.

YCC Scott Gerbrandt

- Ottawa lobby day in march and CCA's AGM. YCC sits on many of the CCA committees and good conversations occur.
- Domestic Ag committee highlights were the discussion with AAFC officials on BRM programs and the appetite they had to improve AgriStability and the fact that they are looking into creating a whole farm insurance that would decrease the premium for

- farms that value diversity in their production (mixed famers). A presentation for AB cattle feeders on why we should raise AgriStability cap from \$3 to \$15 mill.
- Discussion around having a plan in place should a border closing event happen, or more ;localized drought where producers in small zones are greatly affected but it is not “industry wide” and thus does not trigger gov’t support.
- Judson Christopherson has been put forward to be the SCA’s YCC rep.

Immediate Site Welfare Best Management Practices - Arnold Balicki

- Conference call with Leigh Rosengren (CCA) & Rick Wright (LMAC)
- Committee reviewed the 62 page draft doc.
- Document is a serve as a Guide to “Best management Practices” to animal handling 7 employee training.
- Good, productive meeting.

New Business

Committees

- Went through the committee assignments.

SCA2Go App

MOTION 2024-022: Corey / Shea

“That SCA cancel the SCA2Go app immediately until further review.”

Motion

Carried

Hall of Fame

- Inductee dinner April 12th Garrett & Jocelyn to attend.
- Who would SCA like to nominate going further? Names were discussed.

Audit

MOTION 2024-023: Hebert / Lueke

“To accept the auditors financial report as presented in the 2024 AGM book.”

Motion

Carried

OHS

- Discussion on if SCA should develop/partner to develop OHS info for producers

District Meetings

- Looking at having a different / regional schedule
- September for D-4
- Aug/Sept D6
- Oct/Nov D9A
- Content important - Market analysis (Anne?) Check off increase conversation, Jodie - EPI/FMD

Old Business

RoundTable

- TB originating herd has been destroyed. Must have a full clean CnD or wait 2 years. Would like to work with Stephanie Smith @ SVMA/ government to get him up and running at a cost of \$50k. Is this an agri-recovery event? No does not apply and feds don’t want to open a file for this. Should there be a government program for this CnD event? Who pays?
- Crop insurance for price of feed or grass - feed program - was a bit harder to apply for than thought. Nothing in there about water? Took some time to get \$ back. Deadline was extended.

- Logo discussion, changing of the name.
- 15th year to SCA existence, time to rebrand. Keep the acronym SCA,
- SCA Ring of honour events more to look at.
- Discussion on the change of name to Saskatchewan Cattle Assoc. Do we go to the producers?
- CCA taking wrong direction to Cool - embrace it and align with US and work with not against. Keep an open border. US want a voluntary product of original label - only US labeling - product comes from Canada has US on it now want it labeled as CDN and not US.
- ECCC audit on SODCAP programs.
- LMS producer lists going.
- Social media may have improved. Keeping going forward.
- Attended animal science and poultry session at U of S. The thesis presentations, good students, good presentations.
- 4H students conference. What kind of jobs are there for students? Include job board on our website.
- More profit in the industry, how do we get packers, producers - how do we grow.
- Ways to get more \$ into the industry?
- What costs are going to move towards the consumer, be aware.
- How do we keep Saskbeef on people's plates?
- US talk about land prices and foreign land ownership/ large corporate farms. New legislation regarding this. Do we need this? We have something like this already? It is flawed as they can only go back one company and better to be able to follow the money line.
- BRD Virus of US. Are we duplicating up here? Research is moving forward with producer check off and relative for the producers of SK.
- Cutworms are a huge problem in AB. In the legumes
- AGM June 18th Sask Forage
- 2026 International Rangeland
- Drone seeding research, kosha management studies,
- Christine will help with the Pasture tour Aug 8/24.

Calendar Overview In Camera

Adjourn

MOTION 2024-024

"To adjourn."

Motion

Carried



Board Chair - Keith Day

____Leann Clifford____Recording Secretary

Date approved May 16 2024