

## Meeting of the Board of Directors

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**Strategic:** Identify key opportunities and systemic challenges and plan for actions to effectively manage risks and take advantage of future opportunities.

**Accountable:** Maintain legitimacy and integrity through understanding and discharging responsibilities and reporting performance.

**Fair:** Ensure procedural fairness in processed and decision-making

**Effective:** A clearly defined outcome with appropriate processed and measures.

**Transparent:** Ensure that processes, practices, procedures & reporting on exercise of mandate are open, accessible and fully informed.

**Inclusive:** Ensure that appropriate interests, including the public interest, are considered.

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### MINUTES of Board of Directors Meeting

**Date:** December 14, 2018

**Location:** BCEMB Boardroom

BOARD IN ATTENDANCE: Gunta Vitins, Chair  
Walter Siemens, Board Member  
Amyr Alibhai, Board Member  
Matt Vane, Board Member  
Jon Krahn, Board Member

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Katie Lowe, Executive Director  
Joey Aebig, Manager, Operations & Logistics  
Nicole Thompson, Executive Assistant

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Gunta Vitins, called the meeting to order at 4:32pm.

An update on the Golden Valley & Vanderpol meeting was provided. Minutes from the meeting will be provided at the January 21<sup>st</sup> Board meeting.

**Action:** Staff was directed to send the attendees a follow up email.

#### **1.0 PRODUCER LEASE REQUEST**

A producer is requesting a lease approval to house 10% of his flock at a second location starting in August 2019. The producer is planning to take over barn 1 at the location starting July 2019. The facility is currently being used by a different producer who is in the process of building an organic facility at a separate location with expectations to have all quota at the new location by the end of August 2019. The producer has a verbal agreement to take over ownership and management of the current producer's final flock at the location. At previous Board meetings, Staff was directed to receive legal advice regarding the situation and to draft a letter to the producer. The draft letter was presented for discussion.

The Board discussed that the motion passed for this situation will provide direction to staff and producers for any similar future lease requests.

**R18-118** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Board of Directors approve that the BCEMB conditionally approves the facility lease, subject to the following conditions:

- A. Prior to the next placement in the leased facility, the barn must be inspected by representatives appointed by the Board and the Board must be satisfied that the leased facility is suitable to house birds in a manner that accords with the Board's animal welfare expectations
- B. If approved, the facility lease will expire on the earlier of the following:
  - a. The removal of the flock (at no later than 75 weeks)
  - b. 18 months after the date of facility approval
- C. Future CPP's will not be approved for any lease facility prior to the producer and facility achieving passing scores for an on-farm program assessment between weeks 35 to 45 within the previous flock cycle. The on-farm program assessment may include triggered audits for the Start Clean Stay Clean, Animal Care Program and/or BC Biosecurity Program as well as any other audit program deemed necessary by the board (such as the Barn Fitness test).

CARRIED

**Action:** Staff was directed to send the letter to the producer.

**2.0 PRODUCTION SLEEVE**

The 3% production sleeve is scheduled to end on June 30, 2019. At that time, BCEMB has the ability to end, maintain at status-quo, or increase the production sleeve provided to producers in an effort to maximize the provincial allocation that is granted to BCEMB's registered producers.

The Board reviewed the EIAC's recommendations and discussed distribution options that would ensure fairness across the industry, including for graders. The Board also agreed with EIAC's recommendation to consider allowing producers who do not have room to fully accept an increase to be allowed to accept partial issuances. Additional details to incorporate into the change were also discussed.

The EIAC's recommendations will be considered when the Board discusses the 2019 allocation and will be brought forward when the Board meets with the graders in February to discuss additional program options.

**R18-119** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Board of Directors approve renewing the Production Sleeve from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at 6% for all producers who meet the program qualifications, effective July 1, 2019. The sleeve will be reviewed in November 2019 to determine the July 1, 2020 sleeve. Producers must have fully accepted and placed all of their quota increases before they qualify for the Production Sleeve.

CARRIED

**Action:** Staff was directed to create an announcement to the producers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29pm.

**The Board of Directors of BC Egg Marketing Board**

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Board Chair



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Certified Correct, Secretary