

Meeting of the Board of Directors

250 – 32160 South Fraser Way
Abbotsford, BC V2T 1W5

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.

MINUTES of Board of Directors Meeting

Date: May 17, 2019

Location: Conference Call

BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

Gunta Vitins, Chair
Matt Vane, Board Member
Jon Krahn, Board Member
Jeff Regier, Board Member

RECUSED:

Walter Siemens, Board Member

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Katie Lowe, Executive Director
Joey Aebig, Manager, Operations & Logistics
Nicole Thompson, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Gunta Vitins, called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

1.0 Salmonella Testing Protocol

When conducting Salmonella Enteritidis (SE) testing, BCEMB does three swabs separating out the areas of the barn, instead of the two samples recommended by the EFC SE Protocol. This provides better clarity to indicate where an SE positive is located. BCEMB recently received an environmental sample that was positive for SE on the egg packer only, while the barn environment (belts and walls) where the birds are located tested negative for SE. This situation has never happened before in BC nor has ever been reported by other provinces. Feedback from both EFC and the Avian Pathologist at the BC Ministry of Agriculture were presented for information.

The Board reviewed the information and, agreed the situation should be handled in a responsible and reasonable manner. As an additional two barns utilize the packer, the Board members in attendance agreed unanimously that the producer should continue to hand collect eggs from all barns until the other two barns have been tested and the packer retested.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18am.



Board Chair



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