

Meeting of the Board of Directors

250 – 32160 South Fraser Way
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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 processes and decision-making.

Effective: A clearly defined outcome with appropriate processes 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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Date: June 30, 2021

Location: Video Conference via Zoom

BOARD IN ATTENDANCE: Gunta Vitins, Chair
Walter Siemens, Vice-Chair
Matt Vane, Board Member
Jon Krahn, Board Member
Jeff Regier, Board Member

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Gunta Vitins, called the meeting to order at 11:03am.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Board discussed any perceived conflicts of interest with the proposed agenda items.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was MOVED by Jeff Regier and SECONDED that the agenda be adopted as presented.

1.0 NEW BUSINESS

1.1 PFGC Update and Meeting Prep

The graders have requested an increase in the Post Farm Gate program allowance. The Post Farm Gate Committee has been meeting regularly to discuss the programming details, with the

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next meeting scheduled for July 6. Information to prepare for the meeting, including program options were presented for discussion.

The Board discussed the programming options that were presented to BCEPC in December 1993 and provided direction to staff for a proposal to present during the upcoming meeting.

1.2 BCEMB Pricing Review

During a provincial Egg Board Chairs meeting on Friday June 11, it was decided by consensus to accelerate the timeline for a national pricing review and price increase. In light of this, all provincial boards reviewed their pricing with the expectation that the increase will go into effect on July 18, 2021. An update on the timeline was presented for information.

The Board discussed feedback from the EIAC meetings.

1.3 BC SPCA Farm Compliance Inspections

On June 22, 2021, the BCSPCA announced by letter to the BCEMB that they will begin conducting random farm inspections. The BCSPCA is mandated by government, under the PCAA, to respond to animals in distress and that they may use the Codes as reference material when conducting investigations; however, it is our understanding that they cannot require or enforce compliance with the Codes. Additional information, including feedback from other commodities who have also received the letter, and the suggested next steps were presented for discussions.

The Board discussed their understanding of the BCSPCA's authority, reviewed the draft BCAC letter and provided feedback for the next steps.

1.4 Mortality Numbers

Between June 26 and June 30 2021, BC set record breaking temperatures, with a sustained period of 43+ degree temperature for two straight days. BC producers tirelessly worked to keep their barns as cool as possible; however, in some situations despite the producer's best efforts they experienced significant mortality in their flocks due to the extreme heat. An update was presented, as well as suggested options for producers who sustained losses.

The Board reviewed the information provided and considered options for assisting producers. Feedback was provided to staff who will prepare additional information for the July 2 board meeting.

1.5 TAP Pool B

At the June 24, 2021 meeting, the Board authorized the TAP B program to be used from July 4, 2021 to July 3, 2022. After reviewing the numbers, the amount available in the reserve is 56,291 quota units.

The Board discussed whether the recent mortality levels should affect the number of units made available for TAP B.

R21-080 It was MOVED by Matt Vane and SECONDED

WHEREAS the Board authorized the TAP B program for usage from July 4, 2021 to July 3, 2022 for approximately 56,000 units with the exact number to be verified on June 30, 2021.

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THAT the Board approves the use of 56,291 units for TAP B from July 4, 2021 to July 3, 2022.

CARRIED

2.0 TABLED ITEMS FROM JUNE 24th BOARD MEETING

2.1 Freight Subsidy Protocol

The BCEMB developed a freight subsidy program for intra-provincial trade amongst graders in order to reduce the amount of table quality product going to the pool and imports coming in from other provinces when a grader is short. The program does not currently have a written policy so staff presented a draft for approval.

The Board reviewed the policy and discussed the program usage so far this year.

R21-081 It was MOVED by Walter Siemens and SECONDED

That the Board of Directors approve the draft Freight Subsidy Policy as presented.

CARRIED

2.2 AGM Policy

There is currently no AGM Policy that sets out the requirements for BC Egg's AGM. Staff has drafted a policy, which was presented for discussion.

The Board discussed the election result announcement details and provided an amendment to the policy.

R21-082 It was MOVED by Walter Siemens and SECONDED

That the Board of Directors approve the AGM Policy as amended, effective June 30, 2021.

CARRIED

2.3 AMP

BC Egg is required to draft an Administrative Monetary Penalties (AMP) Policy and Procedures document outlining our intentions for the program. A draft timeline, including consultations, was presented for discussion.

The Board provided its support of the timeline.

2.4 Dashboard

The Dashboard was presented for information.

2.5 Quota

2.5a Industry Reserve

The Industry Reserve report was presented for information.

2.5b IP Report

The IP Report was presented for information.

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2.5c IP Processor Summary

The IP Processor Summary was presented for information.

2.5d Egg Import Information

The Egg Import reports was presented for information.

2.5e Quota Utilization Report

The Quota Utilization Report was presented for information.

2.5f Quota Credit Update

The Quota Credit update was presented for information.

2.5g Inventory Report

The Inventory Report was presented for information.

2.6 COP

The COP report was presented for information.

2.7 Audit Scores

The Audit Scores report was presented for information.

2.8 Feed Mill Participation Report & AAFC Report

The Feed Mill Participation Report & AAFC Report was presented for information.

Action: Staff was directed to ask EFC of the feed mills who report changes.

2.9 Fowl Removal Update

A brief Fowl Removal update was provided.

2.10 CETPP Production Comparison

A CETPP Production Comparison report was presented for information.

2.11 Producer Utilization Update

The Producer Utilization update was presented for information.

2.12 2021 Meetings Held

The 2021 held meetings were presented for information.

2.13 2021 Meetings Upcoming

The 2021 upcoming meetings were presented for information.

2.13a EFC Meeting Schedule

The EFC Meeting Schedule was presented for information.

2.13b UEP Registration

The October UEP meeting information was presented for information.

ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED by Jon Krahn and SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned at 1:08pm.

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Board Chair



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