



Marion County Farm Bureau

"Bringing Value to our Members"

Board Meeting: August 14, 2019 – 6:30pm

Meeting is open to all MCFB members and guests

Oregon Farm Bureau
1320 Capitol St NE, Salem, OR 97301

Minutes

Board Members	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Anne Krahmer	X	-	X	X	-	X	X				
Bruce Chapin	X	X	-	X	X	-	X				
Dana Estensen	X	X	X	X	X	X	-				
Dylan Wells	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Greg Bennett	X	X	-	X	-	X	X				
Jessie DeJager	-	X	-	X	X	X	-				
Joe Ruef	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
John Zielinski	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Kathleen Carl	X	X	X	X	-	X	-				
Keith Ditchen	-	-	-	X	-	-	X				
Lisa Stone	-	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Matt Dunbar	-	X	-	X	-	-	-				
Matt Schuster	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Stuart Olson	X	X	-	X	X	X	X				
Richard Hostetter							-				

Guests

Jace Anderson, MCFB Member

Staff

Caitlin Koenig
Jill Ingalls

The Meeting was called to order President Dylan Wells at 6:33pm.

Consent Agenda

Minutes of June 12, 2019 Meeting

MOTION: Greg Bennett moved and Lisa Stone seconded to accept minutes as presented. Vote by raise of hand: 8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. John Zielinski and Matt Schuster were not present. **Motion passed.**

Financial Report

Jill delivered financial report with revisions by the CPA highlighted.

MOTION: Bruce Chapin moved and John Zielinski seconded to receive the financial report. Vote by raise of hand: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. **Motion passed.**

Membership Approvals:

Gerry Bennett – Voting
Kenneth Gilbert – Supporting
Filberto Sanchez – Supporting
David Willis – Voting

MOTION: Greg Bennett moved and Bruce Chapin seconded to approve Gerry Bennett, Kenneth Gilbert, and Filberto Sanchez as presented, and David Willis as supporting until verified to be meeting the requirements of voting status. Vote by raise of hand: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. **Motion passed.**

Old Business:

Canola – the resolution stayed at the 500-acre cap.

President's Report

Tonight there is a hearing for permitting of a hemp processing plant in the south of the county. Dylan asked Jace Anderson to speak about the issue. Jace reported there has been an application for a conditional use permit of 37 acres. He stated the location is surrounded by 3 other farms with livestock. He said the company applying for the permit is from Delaware and the plan is to turn the whole 37 acres into Hemp Processing.

Concerns include:

- no traffic analysis has been done – location is on a blind corner of a curvy road.
- litter from packaging
- plant would be built on Class I soil

Jace stated he recognizes a processing plant is something the area needs, but not in that location. Dylan said Mary Ann Cooper is concerned this is a gray area as far as OFB getting involved is concerned. Dylan reported that a stance has not been taken but it is being watched. John Zielinski said he would like more info about the plan and reminded the board that they must honor the OFB policy book. Bruce pointed out that this is uncomfortable issue, but it is imperative to acknowledge that this is an ag crop and should be recognized as such regardless personal preference.

Dylan stated he would like to establish a finance committee and he would like to get some professional input. Starting out, he would like to see the committee be comprised of: check signers and Richard Hostetter. His long-term vision is to have the committee review the financials at least a week before the board meetings and then deliver the financial report. Dylan also made the tax return available to the board.

New Business

OFB Golf Tournament – Dylan stated that Jonathan Sandau asked for support from MCFB for the tournament. Dylan asked if the board would like to support this cause. Board recognized it is difficult to get farmers out on days when it would be nice to golf. Discussion agreed that sponsoring a hole should be considered because the tournament will be taking place in Marion County. Dylan said he will be attending and asked if anyone else would like to go.

MOTION: Lisa Stone moved and Joe Reuf seconded to sponsor the golf tournament at \$1000 level. Vote by raise of hand: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. **Motion passed**

Bylaws & Resolutions – Joe Reuf stated that he would like to see a resolution that protects farming for fur. Bruce Chapin suggested that the wording be very specific to protect this concern.

Stuart Olson stated he would like to see country of origin identification on the front of the packaging similar to non-GMO and gluten free labeling. John asked that Stuart research whether or not there is country of origin labeling policy in the book and then send his recommendation.

Greg Bennett stated he is now required have a special permit (Public applicator for waterways) to spray on his property because he is part of a water district. Greg said he will check with Mary Ann on whether or not new policy needs to be written.

Dylan asked that any other resolution suggestions be emailed to staff.

Water Modernization – Water Modernization Act – would be seeking to upgrade irrigation delivery systems. Dylan stated that Mary Ann has seen a couple of these around the state. Mary Ann recommended that Greg Wolf be brought in from the Oregon Association of Counties to discuss this further. The idea would be to get all counties coordinated. Dylan is going to collaborate with economic development and the soil and water conservation district.

MCF T-shirts – Due to a printer mistake, the T-shirts were printed in the wrong color ink. As a result the printer offered to sell those shirts at a discounted rate. The board agreed this would be a good give away for auction buyers at the Marion County Fair.

MOTION: Bruce Chapin moved and Keith Ditchen seconded to approve purchase of t-shirts. Vote by raise of hand: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. **Motion passed**

MCFB Committee Reports

Membership Committee (Dylan Wells/Greg Bennet/Kathleen Carl)

Dylan said he would like to see a list of all farms in Marion County and cross reference with members to get a better idea of who the committee should be focusing on recruiting.

Annual Meeting Committee (Dylan Wells/Anne Krahrmer)

Dylan stated he would like board members to ask for member involvement. Caitlin will add this to the newsletter.

OFB Advisory Committees (reports from members who have attended an OFBF advisory committee)

No report

OFBF District 15 Director's report – John Zielinski

John Zielinski said the next meeting is in September and he will relay current resolution concerns while there.

YF&R Report – Matt Dunbar

Matt emailed his report to Dylan. In the email he stated the tractor driving competition at the State Fair is all set up and ready to go. He said they recently held their state meeting at Iverson's to discuss events for the year, planning, and conferences. The YF&R leadership conference will be happening in November at the Portland Airport Sheraton. The cost is \$50 to attend and is limited to first 100 registered. Attendees must be Farm Bureau members. The YF&R Farm tour is also now open to anyone who wants to go. It will take place Oct 11-13 and will tour the Southern Oregon Coast.

Women's Advisory Council – Jessie DeJager

No report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Resolutions
FB goal planning
Adjourned 813