



Marion County Farm Bureau

“Bringing Value to our Members”

Board Meeting: August 9, 2023 – 6:30pm

Meeting is open to all MCFB members and guests

OFB Boardroom

1320 Capitol St NE, Salem, OR 97301

Minutes

Board Members	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Greg Bennett	X	X	X	X	-	X	X				
Kathleen Carl	-	X	X	X	X	X	-				
Bruce Chapin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Jessie DeJager	X	X	-	X	-	X	X				
Dana Estensen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Graham Fordyce			X	X	-	X	-				
Anne Krahrmer-Steinkamp	X	X	-	X	X	-	X				
Stuart Olson	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Joe Ruef	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Casey Stadel	X	X	X	X	-	X	X				
Dylan Wells	X	-	X	X	X	X	X				
Claire Zielinski	X	X	X	X	-	X	X				
John Zielinski	-	X	X	X	-	X	X				

Staff: Ashley Christie

Guests: Mia Pedersen (OFB), Greg Addington (OFB), Austin McClister (OFB)

President Dana Estensen called the meeting to order at 6:37pm

Special Guests

The board was introduced to new OFB Staff:

Mia Pedersen: Communications Director – Updated on changes made to member application, including check box for YF&R, and updates to website.

Greg Addington: Executive Director – Stressed importance of membership and encouraging counties to engage with community and find new ways to reach potential members. Looking to update organization. Also answered questions about current legislative issues.

Austin McClister: Ready to help wherever he can. Available to help with writing and member outreach.

Consent Agenda

Minutes: Board reviewed minutes from June 14, 2023 meeting.

Motion: Claire Zielinski moved to approve the minutes as presented; Anne Krahrmer-Steinkamp seconded.

Motion passed unanimously

Financials: Board reviewed financial reports from July.

Motion: John Zielinski moved to receive the financial reports; Casey Stadel seconded.

Motion passed unanimously

Membership

Expired membership report presented

Board reviewed new member applications: Mark Anderson (voting), Mark Gagle (voting)

Motion: Dylan Wells moved to accept the slate; Greg Bennett seconded.

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Old Business

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Spray Drift – in touch with Katie at OFS, new ag director to be named soon. Board would like to send out letter to other counties asking about if they have problems with chronic complainers and what they do

MC Sheriff – will invite to future meeting

Presidents Report

Iowa Farm Bureau membership visiting June 2024. MCFB 75th anniversary in 2025, beginning to organize historical documents.

New Business

Agro Awards – due Oct. 31

Ruef Fur Farm – Joe reported to board about protesters at farm on Aug. 7, situation handled quickly and peacefully by Mt. Angel police

MCFB Committee Reports

Annual Meeting – Date set for Nov. 8, will be at B-17 museum at Salem Airport, members up for re-election announced.

Scholarship – winners selected

Budget – draft budget sent to committee, will meet before Sept. meeting

AFBF and OFB Advisory Committees – John Zielinski

Committee days planed for fall in Salem

OFB District 15 Director's Report – Bruce Chapin

Board encouraged to make sure they're receiving Action Alerts

YF&R Report – Claire Zielinski

Leadership Conference planned for November. County YF&R meet-up to be planned before fall. In contact with professor from Corban; planning presentation for Freshman ag class.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm

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