



Marion County Farm Bureau
 “Bringing Value to our Members”
 Board Meeting: January 10, 2024 – 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										
Bruce Chapin	-										
Jessie DeJager	X										
Dana Estensen	X										
Graham Fordyce	X										
Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp	X										
Stuart Olson	X										
Joe Ruef	X										
Casey Stadel	X										
Dylan Wells	-										
Claire Zielinski	X										
John Zielinski	X										

Staff: Jill Ingalls, Ashley Christie

Guests: Austin McClister, Claire & Tucker Billman, Cheyne Fobert

President Dana Estensen called the meeting to order at 6:39pm

Consent Agenda

Minutes: Board reviewed minutes from December 13, 2023 meeting.

Motion: John Zielinski moved to approve minutes with corrections to spelling of guest names; Claire Zielinski seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Financials: Board reviewed financial reports from December.

Motion: Claire Zielinski moved to receive the financial reports; Greg Bennett seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Bank Signers – Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp volunteered to replace Kathleen Carl on MCFB financial accounts.

Motion: Claire Zielinski moved to remove Kathleen Carl as a signer on Marion County Farm Bureau bank accounts. Claire Zielinski moved to add Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp as a signer to Marion County Farm Bureau bank accounts. John Zielinski seconded motions.

Motions passed unanimously.

Bank signers are: Dylan Wells, John Zielinski, Dana Estensen, Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp

CDs – Board discussed 4 CDs that are maturing on January 20, 2024.

Motion: Claire Zielinski moved to allow finance committee to reallocate the CD funds at their discretion. John Zielinski seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

SAIF Dinner – Marion Farm Bureau purchased table and two additional tickets for Bob and Gail Dettwyler.

AFBF Convention – John Zielinski attending and will report back.

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Ag Tour – Tour before legislative session was not able to be arranged due to short turn around time. Staff will work with Austin McClister and Joe Ruef and plan for tour after session in March. Will also plan tour to Detroit Dam in May for general membership.

Presidents Report

Board discussed Millersburg Intermodal Center and why it has not opened yet. President Estensen discussed CAFO with Linn Farm Bureau President Denver Pugh at FEELDS dinner; John Zielinski will follow-up on proposed CAFO regulations.

New Business

Kathleen Carl – Board discussed memorial gift for board member that passed away in 2023.

Motion: John Zielinski moved to donate \$500 to Marion Polk Food Share in Kathleen’s name; Stuart Olson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Farm Bureau Concerns – Online form created for members to input concerns so board can learn what’s most important to members. Form could also be used as a tip line. Link will be distributed to board to test before Feb. meeting.

MCFB Committee Reports

Membership – Needs to schedule meeting

Finance – Needs to schedule meeting before Jan. 19

Scholarship – Application live; deadline April 15

Staff will send out county committee lists and update rosters

AFBF and OFB Advisory Committees – John Zielinski

John Zielinski will be attending Information Advisory Committee in Washington DC February 13-16. Also working with Tiffany Nino to list type of committee in Who’s Who and schedule/post committee days for year in advance.

YF&R Report – Claire Zielinski

Annual YF&R meeting in Bend this month. Claire Zielinski will be speaking to freshman ag class at Corban University on January 25. Will also attend YF&R Leadership Conference in Nebraska in March.

Women’s Advisory Council – Jessie DeJager

At OFB Convention WAC raised \$7000 in oral auction, \$750 in silent auction, and \$425 at Country Store. Ronald McDonald House food delivery in March. Next WAC meeting is Feb. 4.

OFB Updates

Austin McClister reported that auto-renewal is going well and is helping to create database to target farmer messaging by crop. Legislative session is short and will be covering many ag issues quickly. YF&R event at Topgolf in Hillsboro planned for end of month.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm

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