

Annual General Meeting Minutes November 18, 2020 Via Zoom

Present:

Central Region	South Region	North Region
Albert Kamps	Conrad Van Hierden	Alain Lavoie
Cornel van't Klooster	Cregg Nicol	Gezinus Martens
Devon Simmelink	Gerrit Haarman	Greg Debbink
Gert Schrijver	Eric Vander Veen	Jason Crozier
Heini Hehli	Martin Van Diemen	Jason Rietveld
JP Brouwer	Michael Vanden Dool	Joel Prins
Miranda Verhoef	Stuart Boeve	Jordan Schuurman
Tietsia Huyzer	Tim Hummel	Lorrie Jespersen
Willem Vanderlinde		Mike Roth
Wim van de Brake		Tom Kootstra

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Tom Kootstra, chair. He welcomed everyone to the meeting. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the meeting was held virtually for everyone except the board of directors.

Outgoing delegates Jordan Schuurman, John van Driesten, Martin Van Diemen, Albert Kamps and Tom Kootstra were thanked for their service to the dairy industry. Dustin Grisnich, Martin Van Diemen Jr, Alan Oudshoorn, David Morey and Ben Kuipers were welcomed as incoming delegates who will take office at the adjournment of this meeting.

a. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no amendments.

MOTION: MOVED by Mike Vanden Dool and **SECONDED** by Greg Debbink that the agenda be approved as presented. **CARRIED**.

b. Approval of 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes

The minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. There were no amendments.

MOTION: MOVED by Heini Hehli and **SECONDED** by Albert Kamps that the 2019 Annual General Meeting minutes be approved as presented. **CARRIED**.

2. GENERAL MANAGER WELCOME

Freda Molenkamp-Oudman provided an overview of her first year as general manager and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. GREETINGS FROM ALBERTA AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY

The Honourable Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry gave greetings on behalf of the ministry.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

a. 2019-20 Audited Financial Statements

Meghan DeRoo-McConnan, Grant Thornton; Tietsia Huyzer, Finance Committee chair; and Denise Brattinga, Finance and Policy Manager presented the 2019-20 audited financial statements as information.

b. Appointment of Auditors

Tietsia Huyzer reported that the Finance Committee is satisfied with Grant Thornton's performance and sought support to appoint them as auditors for 2020-21.

MOTION: MOVED by Tietsia Huyzer and **SECONDED** by Heini Hehli that Grant Thornton be appointed Alberta Milk auditors for 2020-21. **CARRIED**.

c. Remuneration Report

Tietsia Huyzer presented the Remuneration Report for the delegate's review and sought support for the 2020-21 Remuneration Policy.

MOTION: MOVED by Tietsia Huyzer and **SECONDED** by Gert Schrijver that the 2020-21 Remuneration Policy be approved as presented. **CARRIED.**

d. 2020-21 Operational Plan and Budget

Denise Brattinga presented the operational plan and corresponding budget reflecting the activities of the organization for the upcoming year.

5. 2020-23 STRATEGIC PLAN

Stuart Boeve presented the three-year strategic direction for Alberta Milk. Our vision, mission, goals, values were shared along with issues that will be focussed on.

6. DAIRY FARMERS OF CANADA UPDATE

Pierre Lampron, DFC President and Gert Schrijver, Director and DFC Board Member provided an update on the DFC programs and activities.

7. WESTERN MILK POOL UPDATE

Tom Kootstra provided an update on the activities of the WMP.

8. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AT LARGE

Wim van de Brake was acclaimed as director at large for a three-year term.

9. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING DIRECTORS

Heini Hehli, Alberta Milk Director recognized outgoing directors Albert Kamps, Martin Van Diemen, Tom Kootstra for their service and dedication to the dairy industry.

Tom Kootstra noted the meeting would now move into a closed session for producers only. He thanked the speakers and industry guests for being a part of the meeting.

10. CLOSED SESSION FOR ALBERTA PRODUCERS ONLY

a. Resolutions and Policy Discussion

Tom Kootstra reported that in keeping with the Resolutions Policy, one resolution was submitted prior to the meeting. The resolution was presented and discussed.

RESOLUTION 1

WHEREAS considering the state of processing in western Canada,

BE IT RESOLVED that Alberta Milk invest current marketing dollars into increasing processor capacity.

Moved by Mike Vanden Dool Seconded by Eric Vander Veen

In favor -2 Opposed -16 **RESOLUTION DEFEATED.**

It was recognized that due to technical issues some delegates were unable to vote but quorum was met.

The floor was then open for a general policy discussion with producers. Topics discussed included Dairy Innovation West, milk quality, milk sampling and interprovincial milk movement.

Tom Kootstra closed the annual general meeting. He thanked producers and delegates for their patience as we dealt with the challenges of holding our first virtual annual general meeting. Delegates were requested to remain for an in-camera session.

11. IN-CAMERA

The directors and delegates went into an in-camera session at 1:15 pm.

MOTION: MOVED and SECONDED that the directors and delegates go in-camera. CARRIED.

MOTION: MOVED and SECONDED that the director and delegates come out of in-camera. CARRIED.

12. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.

MOTION: MOVED that the meeting be adjourned. **CARRIED**.