

**MTGA Board of Directors  
December 12, 2017 | Fargo, ND**

**MINUTES**

*Board Directors present:*

Dorn, Doug  
Gleaves, Ken  
Kothrade, Nancy  
Klaphake, Leon  
Koppen, Barry  
Kvistad, Paul  
Roering, Lori  
Stauffenecker, Jeff  
Huisinga, Chris (via phone)

*Staff/others present:*

Brey, Loren  
Gessell, Lynette  
Halvorson, Kim  
Heymer, Scott  
Lighty, Megan  
Peterson, John  
Velo, Max  
Olson, Steve  
Lenneman, Deanna  
Krumrie, Nicole  
Sorenson, Teresa  
Durben, Lara  
Kleven, Bruce  
Brandenberger, Joel (via phone)

President Chris Huisinga called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

**Election – Officers & Open Board Position**

Call for nominations for Vice President yielded the nomination of Paul Kvistad.

- Motion moved and seconded to cast a unanimous ballot to appoint Paul Kvistad as Vice President. M/C

Call for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer yielded the nomination of Wayne Knudsen

- Motion moved and seconded to cast a unanimous ballot to appoint Wayne Knudsen as Secretary/Treasurer. M/C

### *Open Board Position*

- Motion moved and seconded appoint Lori Roering to fill the open Board Director slot that Scott Christensen vacated in October. M/C

### **Consent Agenda**

- Motion moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. M/C

### **FY18 Budget Discussion**

Olson reviewed the draft FY2018 budget for MTGA. The budget Committee is in the process of reviewing this fully and a final draft will be presented in February to the Board for approval.

### **Midwest Poultry Federation**

Staff reviewed the schedule and plans for the 2018 MPF Convention, including the new Student Careers Program, Lunch and Learn program, the Unhatched entertainment event, and hotel reservations/ registration.

- Motion moved and seconded to approve the purchase of two tables at the MPF Unhatched entertainment event at a cost of \$2400. M/C

### **Government Affairs**

Olson covered the MPCA Water Permit Fees Advisory Committee, the Fibrominn reconsideration request, Department of Agriculture fertilizer rule (waiting for next draft), the Governor's lawsuit over striking the legislative funding has a Supreme Court ruling, and 2018 Governor's race. Also on the docket was discussion carry-over from the planning session the day before – specifically, are there any issues we should be pursuing in terms of legislation; and electronic log books.

### **Turkey To Go**

Discussion regarding signing a non-disclosure agreement with Grant Huisinga to use the TTG recipe and work with AURI on catering and/or retail options. President Kvistad established a committee to review the options for working with Grant Huisinga and the Turkey To Go recipe to include Jeff Stauffenecker, John Peterson, and staff (Steve/Teresa).

### **Executive Director's Report**

*Staff Update* – Olson introduced new staffer Deanna Lenneman who started with MTGA in September. An option program assistant position is in the process of being filled with interviews happening now.

*MN Ag Expo* – The MN corn/soybean convention will take place January 24-25 in Mankato and MTGA will have a joint booth with CEAM there. Staff would love see a few board volunteers help Nicole Krumrie staff this booth. Paul Kvistad volunteered to attend at least one day; anyone else who is interested should contact the MTGA office.

*Membership* – Krumrie updated the board on membership renewals, which will be going out this month.

There being no further business, a motion was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Durben, Recording Secretary

## MTRPC Board of Directors

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President Kim Halvorson call the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

*Board Directors present:*

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Halvorson, Kim  
Heymer, Scott  
Lighty, Megan  
Peterson, John  
Velo, Max

*Staff/others present:*

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Koppen, Barry  
Kvistad, Paul  
Roering, Lori  
Stauffenecker, Jeff  
Huisinga, Chris (via phone)  
Olson, Steve  
Lenneman, Deanna  
Krumrie, Nicole  
Sorenson, Teresa  
Durben, Lara  
Kleven, Bruce  
Voss, Shauna  
Gharibeh, Saad  
Brandenberger, Joel (via phone)

**Consent agenda**

- Motion moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. M/C

**FY18 Budget Discussion**

Olson reviewed the draft FY2018 budget for MTRPC. The budget Committee is in the process of reviewing this fully and a final draft will be presented in February to the Board for approval.

## **Research**

### *Research Proposal Approval*

The Research Funding Committee is recommending the approval of four research proposals as presented in the board packet.

- **Motion moved and seconded to approve the Research & Food Safety Committee's recommendation of funding at a total of \$164,430 for the four research proposals as presented in the board packet (Johnson, Noll, Johny, and Mor). M/C**

### *Poultry Research Feasibility Study*

Olson indicated that the feasibility study group would get a final report to several key administrators at the University of Minnesota later this month. A decision will also need to be made regarding where to put this research facility – Waseca or Willmar.

### *Research Priority Outlines*

The Research and Food Safety Committee has been working on drafting priority areas by reaching out to experts in the industry, University of Minnesota, and USDA-ARS. The current priority outlines are available in the board packet.

### *Pomeroy Legacy Scholars*

Updated provided by Olson.

### *AnSci Dept Head – Candidate Seminars*

A listing of all University of Minnesota faculty hired through the Agricultural Research, Education, Extension and Technology Transfer (AGREETT) program. Also interviews for the Department of Animal Science Department head will occur in the next 10 days.

## **Midwest Poultry Federation Convention**

As an owner of MPF, MTRPC will often receive a dividend and rebates back from MPF for every farmer/processor attendee who attends the convention that particular year. The MPF Board is seeking feedback from the state poultry organizations on whether or not those organizations want that money back or if MPF should keep it and use it for something down the road and surrounding the convention.

- **Motion moved and seconded to request any dividend and rebates from the 2017 MPF Convention be given back to the MTRPC as a member organization and owner of MPF. M/C.**

### *Table sales purchase at MPF Unhatched event*

- **Motion moved and seconded to approve the purchase of one table at the MPF Unhatched entertainment event at a cost of \$1200. M/C**

## **Board of Animal Health**

Voss provided an update from the previous board meeting, specifically regarding the biosecurity audits.

**Executive Director's Report**

*Staff Update* – Olson introduced new staffer Deanna Lenneman who started with MTGA in September. An option program assistant position is in the process of being filled with interviews happening now.

**Executive Committee Report**

Executive Committee conference calls are held almost every week.

**National Turkey Federation (NTF) Update**

Olson and Durben provided an update on the National Thanksgiving Turkey project. Olson also mentioned the NTF Annual Convention in San Diego, February 21-24. If you are planning to attend, please let Olson know.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:06 pm. M/C

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Durben, Recording Secretary