NDCISA Southwest District Meeting December 2, 2015 - Mandan

The Meeting was called to order by Southwest District Director Dennis Renner.

Minutes: The minutes were approved by Ross Schroeder with a second by Bill Flaget. Motion carried.

NDCISA and DSS Financial Reports: Motion to accept the financials as read by Bill Flaget with a second from Ross Schroeder. Motion carried.

County Membership & Check off Updates: Everyone is paid up to date.

Dakota Select Seed: Gonzalo Rojas gave the update and stated that we are up to 27 growers this year. This is up four from last year's membership. He reviewed the advertising that we have been doing this year.

Resolutions:

Jackie Buckley introduced a resolution as follows:

Whereas the business of farming and seed production has changed.

Whereas producers are pre-buying and/or purchasing seed, fuel, fertilizer, etc. before January 1st of the current year.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA change its date for release of varieties from the counties from February 1st to December 15th effective to begin with the 2016 contracts and thereafter.

Andrew Doll moved to approve this resolution and advance it forward to the annual meeting. Ross Schroeder second. Motion carried.

Dennis Renner informed the group that Del Gates contacted him yesterday on the Southwest District supporting the stationary seed conditioning facilities at the REC's. This was taken to SBARE. Ross Schroeder suggested we have the state organization handle this rather than make a resolution.

Elections:

SW District Director: Bill Flaget nominated Carson Kouba from Regent. Mike Toepke seconded. Bill Flaget moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot. Aaron Steckler seconded. Motion carried.

Representative for Seed Allocation Committee: Ross Schroeder nominated Dennis Renner with a second from Andrew Doll. Andrew Doll moved that nominations cease and we cast a unanimous ballot. Ross Schroeder seconded. Motion carried.

Dakota Select Seed Representative: Mike Gardner nominated Bill Flaget with a second from Mike Toepke. Mike Gardner moved that nominations cease and we cast a unanimous ballot. Mike Toepke seconded. Motion carried.

Break

Meeting reconvened.

Door prize winners: Tool box - Ryan Buetow, Blanket - Byron Lannoye, Travel bag - Craig Askim.

Research Fee Update and Impact: An update was given by Dale Zetocha, NDSU Research Foundation.

State Seed Department Update: An update was given by Jason Goltz and Joe Magnusson, ND State Seed Department.

Small Grain Variety Update: Ryan Buetow, Area Extension Agronomist from Dickinson gave the update.

Foundation Seedstocks Update: Dr. Gonzalo Rojas, Foundation Seedstocks Assistant Director, gave the update.

Meeting adjourned by Ross Schroeder with a second from Bill Flaget. Meeting Adjourned.



NDCISA Northwest District Meeting December 3, 2015 – Minot, ND

The meeting was called to order by Northwest District Director Del Gates.

Minutes: The minutes were approved by Dave Miller with a second by Troy Coons. Motion carried.

NDCISA and DSS Financial Report: Blake Inman made a motion to accept the financials as read with a second from Jim Hennessy. Motion carried.

County Membership & Check off Updates: All counties dues and check offs are paid.

Dakota Select Seed: Gonzalo Rojas gave the update and stated that we are up to 27 growers this year. This is up four from last year's membership. He reviewed the advertising that we have been doing this year.

Resolutions:

Del Gates read the resolution that was submitted from the SW district on December 2nd.

Whereas the business of farming and seed production has changed.
Whereas producers are pre-buying and/or purchasing seed, fuel, fertilizer, etc. before January 1st of the current year.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA change its date for release of varieties from the counties from February 1st to December 15th effective to begin with the 2016 contracts and thereafter.

A motion was made by Blake Inman to support the motion with it brought to all of the districts. Troy Coons seconded. Motion carried.

Keith Brown recommended to move the conditioning date of the increase seed to December 15 on the contracts and the sale date to December 31.

Blake Inman introduced a resolution as follows:

Whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are lacking at Carrington REC, North Central REC, and Williston REC and whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are needed to distribute pure seed. Therefore be it resolved the NW district of NDCISA supports a number 1 priority ranking from SBARE for the construction of stationary seed plants at Carrington REC, North Central REC and Williston REC.

A second was made by Troy Coons. Motion carried.

District Director: Dave Miller nominated Blake Inman to continue on the NDCISA board. Jim Hennessy moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Blake. Troy Coons seconded. Motion carried.

Representative for Seed Allocation Committee: Blake Inman nominated Del Gates. Troy Coons moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Del Gates. Dave Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Dakota Select Seed Representative: Mark Birdsall nominated Troy Coons. Blake Inman moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Troy Coons. Mark Birdsall seconded. Motion carried.

Blake Inman made a motion to put a subcommittee together with a representatives from ND Foundation Seedstocks, ND State Seed Dept., three county agents, and three Board of Directors from NDCISA to discuss issues with the increase program to be elected at the annual meeting. LoAyne seconded it. Motion carried.

Door prize winners: Danielle Steinhoff won the Travel bag, Mark Birdsall won the Blanket, and Rachel Wald won the Toolbox.

Research Fee Update and Impact: An update was given by Dale Zetocha, NDSU Research Foundation.

State Seed Department Update: An update was given by Jason Goltz and Joe Magnusson, ND State Seed Department. Ken Bertsch also introduced Wes Sather, the new Regional Inspector for this area.

Small Grain Variety Update: Shana Forster, Area Extension Agronomist from Minot gave the update.

Foundation Seedstocks Update: Dr. Gonzalo Rojas, Foundation Seedstocks Assistant Director gave the update.

Del Gates recognized Jay Fisher and congratulated him on his retirement. Jay Fisher then said a few words.

Troy Coons made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Blake Inman. Motion carried.

NDCISA Northeast District Meeting December 4, 2015 - Devils Lake

The meeting was called to order by Northeast District Director Tim Goeser.

Minutes: The minutes were approved by John Peyerl with a second by Aaron Johnson. Motion carried.

NDCISA and DSS Financial Report: Leon Hiltner made a motion to accept the financials as read with a second from John Iverson. Motion carried.

County Membership & Check Off Updates - All memberships and check offs are paid up to date.

Dakota Select Seed: Gonzalo Rojas gave the update and stated that we are up to 27 growers this year. This is up four from last year's membership. He reviewed the advertising that we have been doing this year.

Resolutions:

Resolution 1 - The resolution from the Southwest District was introduced and read as follows:

Whereas the business of farming and seed production has changed, Whereas producers are pre-buying and/or purchasing seed, fuel, fertilizer, etc. before January 1st of the current year.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA change its date for release of varieties from the counties from February 1st to December 15th effective to begin with the 2016 contracts and thereafter.

The comments were that they don't even know in December how much seed they have.

Nobody wished to make a motion on this. They were just made aware of it.

Resolution 2 – The resolution from the Northwest District was introduced and read as follows:

Whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are lacking at Carrington REC, North Central REC, and Williston REC and whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are needed to distribute pure seed. Therefore be it resolved the NW district of NDCISA supports a number 1 priority ranking from SBARE for the construction of stationary seed plants at Carrington REC, North Central REC and Williston REC.

Aaron Johnson made a motion that we add to include Langdon REC with a mobile unit. Paul Berntson seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution from the Northeast meeting:

A vote was taken and passed that would support a resolution to endorse as a top priority to rebuilding Harris Hall/Cereal Crop Science Facility on the campus of NDSU. Leon Hiltner has agreed to submit a formal resolution. Leon's resolution is as follows:

Whereas agriculture is the #1 industry in North Dakota and North Dakota is the leading wheat producing state in the nation.

Whereas the development of new and better spring wheat and durum varieties is the goal of the NDSU wheat breeding program.

Whereas the development of new varieties takes place in the new NDSU greenhouse and the quality of these new varieties is tested in the Cereal Crop Science building known as Harris Hall.

Whereas Harris Hall is an antiquated structure where the scientists are relegated to very confined work spaces, using old and obsolete lab equipment, and even lack running water in some offices.

Whereas these conditions could result in the loss of scientists and/or staff because private industry or other universities' facilities are undoubtedly more modern., Whereas the construction of a modern facility can only enhance the research, development and testing of cereal crops for many years to come.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA urges the governor and legislators of North Dakota and the administration of NDSU to make the construction of the Cereal Crop Science building known as Harris Hall a major priority for funding in the next legislative session.

Motion was made by John Iverson to accept the resolution and Randy Mehlhoff second. Motion carried.

Elections:

District Director: Paul Berntson nominated Aaron Johnson. John Iverson made a motion that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot. Second by Leon Hiltner. Motion carried.

Representative for the Seed Allocation Committee: John Iverson nominated Aaron Johnson. John Iverson made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Aaron Johnson, second by Karl Jodock. Motion carried.

Dakota Select Seed Representative: Aaron Johnson nominated Leon Hiltner, John Peyerl seconded. Aaron Johnson made a motion that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Leon Hiltner. John Peyerl second. Motion carried.

Winners of door prizes were as follows: Travel Bag - Karl Jodock, Blanket - Macine Lukach, Toolbox - Megan Vig.

Research Fee Update: Dale Zetocha, NDSU Research Foundation, gave the update.

State Seed Department Update: Jason Goltz, ND State Seed Department, gave the update.

Small Grain Variety Update: Dr. Joel Ransom, NDSU Extension Agronomist, gave the update.

Foundation Seedstocks Update: Dr. Gonzalo Rojas, Foundation Seedstocks Assistant Director, gave the update.

Motion to adjourn was made by Samantha Lahman with a second from Brad Brummond. Motion carried.

Southeast District Meeting December 7, 2015 – Casselton

The meeting was called to order by Southeast District Director John Schatz.

Minutes: Brian Otteson made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Luke Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

NDCISA and DSS Financial Report: Neal Goerger made a motion to approve the financials as read Greg Abentroth seconded. Motion carried.

County Membership & Check off Updates: All counties and check offs are paid up to date.

Dakota Select Seed: Gonzalo Rojas gave the update and stated that we are up to 27 growers this year. This is up four from last year's membership. He reviewed the advertising that we have been doing this year.

Resolutions:

Resolution 1 - The resolution from the Southwest District was introduced and read as follows:

Whereas the business of farming and seed production has changed.

Whereas producers are pre-buying and/or purchasing seed, fuel, fertilizer, etc. before January 1st of the current year.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA change its date for release of varieties from the counties from February 1st to December 15th effective to begin with the 2016 contracts and thereafter.

Luke Anderson made a motion to support the resolution with some reservation regarding a later date. Motion died for lack of a second.

Resolution 2 - The resolution from the Northwest District was introduced read and read as follows:

Whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are lacking at Carrington REC, North Central REC, and Williston REC and whereas adequate foundation seed conditioning facilities are needed to distribute pure seed. Therefore be it resolved the NW district of NDCISA supports a number 1 priority ranking from SBARE for the construction of stationary seed plants at Carrington REC, North Central REC and Williston REC.

With the addition made at the NE District meeting to include Langdon REC with a mobile unit.

Ross Lockhart made a motion to support the resolution as read. With a second from Greg Abentroth seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 3 – The resolution from the Northeast District was introduced and read as follows:

Whereas agriculture is the #1 industry in North Dakota and North Dakota is the leading wheat producing state in the nation.

Whereas the development of new and better spring wheat and durum varieties is the goal of the NDSU wheat breeding program.

Whereas the development of new varieties takes place in the new NDSU greenhouse and the quality of these new varieties is tested in the Cereal Crop Science building known as Harris Hall.

Whereas Harris Hall is an antiquated structure where the scientists are relegated to very confined work spaces, using old and obsolete lab equipment, and even lack running water in some offices.

Whereas these conditions could result in the loss of scientists and/or staff because private industry or other universities' facilities are undoubtedly more modern. Whereas the construction of a modern facility can only enhance the research, development and testing of cereal crops for many years to come.

Be it resolved that the NDCISA urges the governor and legislators of North Dakota and the administration of NDSU to make the construction of the Cereal Crop Science building known as Harris Hall a major priority for funding in the next legislative session.

Ross Lockhart commented that he feels this does not make sense to him. It was brought up that it would be better if we knew where we are at with the Spring Wheat Breeder. Brian Otteson gave an update. He informed us that they are hoping to appoint a new Spring Wheat Breeder by January. No action was made on this resolution.

Election:

District Director: Ross Lockhart nominated Luke Anderson. Greg Abentroth seconded. Neal Goerger moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Luke Anderson. Greg Abentroth seconded. Motion carried.

Representative for the Seed Allocation Committee: Ross Lockhart nominated Luke Anderson. Neal Goerger seconded. Neal Goerger then moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Luke Anderson. Ross Lockhart seconded. Motion carried.

Representative for Dakota Select Seed: Luke Anderson nominated Ross Lockhart. Greg Abentroth seconded. Greg Abentroth then moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Ross Lockhart. Neal Goerger seconded. Motion carried.

Doorprizes: Travel Bag was won by Ross Lockhart, Blanket won by Neal Goerger, and Toolbox won by Joel Anderson.

Research Fee Update: Dale Zetocha, ND Research Foundation, gave the update.

State Seed Department Update: Jason Goltz, ND State Seed Dept, gave the update.

Small Grain Variety Update: Greg Endres, Area Extension Agronomist - Carrington, gave the update.

Foundation Seedstocks Update: Dr. Gonzalo Rojas, ND Foundation Seedstocks, gave the update.

John Kringler made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Greg Abentroth. Motion carried.