



Alfalfa Seed Commission (Alberta)

June 13, 2018

MHC Brooks Campus

Meeting called to order @ 9:10am

Present: Brain Slenders, Chad Skrove, Greg Klassen, Brad Alexander, Bill Dickinson, Ben Nickel, Bruce Balog, Jodi Niznik, Jon Wolfe (via phone)

Secretaries Report: Minutes from May 24th read by Jodi. Amend spelling of Nickel and AGCOM to AGCON.

Financial Report/GM Report: Checking Account balance \$264,271.54 and GIC's account is at \$489,278.55.

GM Report included

Brad's Report: Included

He needs to recertify his Alberta applicators license & could possibly challenge the exam.

Motion made by Bill Dickinson to accept all 3 reports, Greg Klassen 2nds; all in favor.

Business Arising from the Reports:

Finding another market for the bees needs to continue to be worked on.

Sefina – getting this added would ease loss of Lorsban. Brad to talk with Ron Pitscowny on the best way to approach the advocacy work on this

Old Business:

a. Summer Tour –

Brian is trying to get Louis the Case guru to come to talk

Chad will be in touch with John Deere and see what they can bring

Start and end at the Silver Sage - coffee & donuts @ 8:30/depart 9am

FCC will be supplying the coffee and donuts and Jodi will coordinate

Jenn Rasmussen and Crop Doc Consulting will donate tour pop and

water- she will bring it in coolers – Jodi will coordinate

1. Karls Slomp's shop Automation with Matthew Smith (1/2hr)

2. Art Folkert's PGR Trial (1/2hr)

3. CDC South Len's Trial and the drone demo

4. Silver Sage – combine demo and discussion

5. Lunch by the Brooks Hotel –Jodi to coordinate – Beef on a bun and

salads and dessert, drinks, etc

Jodi will book the Silver Sage
Brad and Jodi to work together to coordinate the day, do up the agenda and map, etc. Brian and Chad to coordinate combine people and let us know
Brad will make a couple of 18x24 large-scale posters of drone field photos to display
Jodi will bring projector and if not needed by anyone can still scroll sponsors through

b. Annual Report-

Final documents needed to complete this are being submitted and a preview copy will come out when available.

Research:

Danika's funding problems were sorted out so we didn't end up having to cover the cost; Darren Nikkel has donated what she was looking for

Bruce is doing a "non-scientific" cinnamon test at home and seeing results

Should we put something on the website that shows the changes to make when using a modifier to change the PH levels of insecticides? Does CPS or Alpine have a chart or document showing this?

New Business:

Seed Company Information tabled to next meeting

Constitution – tabled until the next meeting but members need to review the last document we need to cover and look for anything that fundamentally needs to be changed or addressed

Meeting Adjourned @ 10:30am by Greg Klassen

Next Meeting July 10, 2018 @MHC Brooks