MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE BRAZEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON DECEMBER 16, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT

P. Monteith, Chairman
M. Schwab, Member
A. Heinrich, Member
A.Goddard, Member at Large
M. Raines, Member at Large
C. Marttin, Member at Large
R. Ennis, Agriculture Fieldman
L. Murphy, Assistant Agriculture Fieldman
T. McCracken, Recording Secretary

ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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137/09 Moved by A. Goddard to approve the agenda with the following additions:

l) Urban Weed Control
7 l) West Central Conservation Group Employment Opportunity

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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R. Ennis indicated that Motion #135/09, he was unable to send a Letter to the Minister as there was no address, so he e-mailed it.

138/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to adopt minutes as approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

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Bursary Application – P. Currie

R. Ennis indicated that this application be taken off the request list.

139/09 Moved by M. Raines that a letter be sent to Penny indicated that additional information was not received but your application could be considered in the future contingent on necessary information received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Guitars & Denim Update

140/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the update for information

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGRICULTURE REPORTS

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Agriculture Fieldman's Report

R. Ennis briefly reviewed his report as presented.

141/09 Moved by A. Goddard to receive the Agriculture Fieldman's Report for infomation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report

L. Murphy briefly reviewed her report as presented.

142/09 Moved by M. Raines to receive the Assistant Agriculture Fieldman's Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Member's Report

M. Raines discussed his attendance at the Crop Opportunities workshop in Red Deer.

143/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the Member's Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

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2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference

Members reviewed correspondence regarding the 2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference. R. Ennis asked which members will be attending the conference.

144/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive correspondence for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report Card on Government & Non-Government Responses to the 2009 Provincial A.S.B. Resolutions

Members reviewed the government responses to the 2009 resolutions as presented.

145/09 Moved by A. Heinrich that the Service Board forward a letter to the representative on the Resolution Committee indicating our disappointment regarding the outcome on the resolutions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agricultural Pests Act & Regulation Update

Members reviewed correspondence from the Regulatory Services

146/09 Moved by C. Martin to receive the update to the Agricultural Pests Act and regulation update as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agronomy Update Workshop – January 19-20, 2010

Members reviewed the workshop itinerary as presented.

147/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Farming Into the Future Conference – February 17, 2010

148/09 Moved by M. Schwab to authorize any member to attend the Farming Into the Future Conference on February 17, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Date

149/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to change the February 17, 2010 A.S.B. meeting to February 16, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2009 Schedule of Fees & Equipment usage

R. Ennis will talk with Big West and UFA regarding the benefits and costs of a portable panel system.

150/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to authorize R. Ennis investigate the costs and benefits of a portable handling system.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

151/09 Moved by A. Goddard to receive the Schedule of Fees and usage statistics as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2010 Producer Appreciation Evening

P. Monteith asked members if they received any feedback regarding the Guitars and Denim evening. Positive feedback has been received.

152/09 Moved by M. Raines to hold a Producer Appreciation evening in 2010.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

152/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to have Rick and Lisa and one Service board member on the producer appreciation evening committee.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

153/09 Moved by C. Martin to set the 2010 Producer Appreciation evening tentatively on November 20, 2010.

Animal Health Act Update

Members reviewed correspondence regarding the Animal Health Update as presented.

154/09 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2009 –In Service Training – A.S.B. Act Review

Members reviewed correspondence regarding the A.S.B. Act review discussed at the In-Service Training.

155/09 Moved by M. Schwab to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2010 Summer Tour – Strathcona County – July 12 – 15, 2010

R. Ennis asked which Service Board members will be attending the summer tour hosted by Strathcona County July 12 – 15, 2010.

156/09 Moved by M. Schwab to authorize all board members to attend the Summer Tour, July 12 - 15, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AESA 2011 Survey

Members reviewed correspondence regarding the 2011 Beyond Planning Survey as presented.

157/09 Moved by M. Schwab to support the survey as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Urban Weed Control

R. Ennis brought forward a request that Brazeau County agriculture department carry out weed inspections within theTown of Drayton Valley and work toward a cost recovery for weed control.

158/09 Moved by M. Raines to authorize R. Ennis to forward a letter to the Town indicating that Brazeau County's weed control within the Town would be on cost recovery.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Invitation for speakers to attend January and February meeting

M. Schwab to invite Alton Wood, Brand Inspector and Tim Sekura from Sekura Auction Mart to a future Service Board meeting.

159/09 Moved by M. Schwab to invite A. Wood to January meeting and T. Sekura to the February meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

160/09 Moved by A.Goddard to receive the following items for information:

a) Correspondence regarding the 2010 Provincial A.S.B. Conference – February 1-3, 2010.

b) Report card on government and non-government responses to the 2000 Provincial A.S.B. resolutions.

c) Regulatory Services Division Program update regarding Agricultural pests Act and Regulation.

d) Agronomy Update workshop – January19-20, 2010.

e) Economic Development's request for attendance from Service Board to the Farming Into the future Conference.

f) Agriculture department Schedule of Fees.

g) Board discussion for 1010 producer appreciation evening.

h) Correspondence from Gerald Hauer, DVM, Alberta Agriculture & Rural Development regarding the Animal health Act Update.

i) Correspondence from 2001 In-Service Training regarding the A.S.B. Act review.

j) A.S.B. Summer Tour hosted by Strathcona County – July 12-16, 2010.

k) AESA 2011 Beyond Planning Survey

l) West Central Conservation Group Employment Opportunity

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT 161/09 Moved by M. Schwab that the Service Board meeting adjourn at 11:20 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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A.S.B. CHAIRMAN

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