

**Minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual NFRBMEA Business Meeting**  
**June 11, 2019 ❖ Blue Harbor Resort ❖ Sheboygan, WI**

The meeting was called to order at 3:57 by Brad Sirianni.

There was a motion to approve the agenda by Will Walter, second by Jennifer Smith; all in favor.

Betsy Jensen presented Secretary's Report. Motion by Wayne Pike, second by Pauline VanNurden to approve; all in favor.

Myron Oftedahl presented the Treasurer's Report and Audit Report. The 2018-19 Budget vs Actual was reviewed. On the revenue side, we fell short for conference revenue. Other revenue numbers were similar to our budgeted amounts. On outflows, the board meeting expense was higher than expected, and National Council expenses were higher because of additional meetings held. Overall, we were short \$9,047.37 from our budgeted amounts. Our Total Assets on March 31, 2019 were \$23,731.49. In our 2020-21 budget, we did not include our National Council dues in the proposed budget. That can be amended at a later date. Jennifer Smith moved to approve the Treasurer's report and Jay Olsen seconded. All approved.

Lori Tonak moved to approve the proposed budget, second by Ron Dvergsten. All approved.

Betsy Jensen presented the Roll Call of States . Written and oral reports were given from Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Utah and South Dakota. Written report only was given by Missouri. Jay Olsen will write a NUTS & BOLTS article about Utah's new growth opportunities.

The Communications Director's Report was given by Deb Pike.

The Slate for Officer Nominations was reviewed by the Past Presidents.

The 2018-19 NFRBMEA Annual Report is not yet completed and will be reviewed at a later date.

Tina LeBrun gave the Conference Sponsorship Coordinator Report. She reported that local sponsorship was up this year, over \$3,000. We did lose our national sponsors, which we hoped would be \$10,000. We would also like to bring back the scholarship program because Tina always has inquiries from people wanting to attend.

Lori Tonak presented the National Council for Ag Education Report. She provided a written report. Our group has provided financial support and leadership for the council. Keith Olander moved to send a letter to council leadership, withhold our dues at this time, and remain engaged until we know more. Second by Jay D. Olsen. All in favor.

Brad Sirianni gave the 2019 National Conference Report. Conference planning during fall 2018 went great. In the spring 2019 there were communication problems, from incorrect email addresses to technical difficulties. The registration process was much too delayed, and that has been recognized. There are 66 NAFBAS, 40 Spouse, 40 Children 7 and older, 33 NCE, 30 NFRBMEA, 10 Children 6 and under, and 3 Single Day registrations. We will still be doing the conference jointly with NAFBAS.

Myron Oftedahl gave a report on the 2020 Conference. We will be in Colorado, and Myron is working out the details. He is leaning toward the Millennium Harvest House in Boulder. It's a very family-friendly location, once again. The conference will be shortened by one day. Monday will be a travel day; the conference will begin Tuesday morning. It will be done Thursday. Myron's goals for next year's conference are to see the National Farm Management Conference brand used throughout the conference. It should be a joint planning committee. We may have CFFM doing registration. He'd also like to give monthly updates to Deb for the website. If you have contacts in Colorado, please give them to Myron. If you have speaker ideas, let him know. We also need sponsorship contacts. Conference dates are June 15-18, 2020.

Election of Officers and Board Members was held. Past President Will Walter moved to nominate Jennifer Smith as Secretary and Jason Fewell as President Elect. The motion died for lack of a second. Myron moved to elect Jennifer Smith as secretary, second by Lynn Hoffmann. All in favor.

Our Executive Board for 2019-20: Pauline VanNurden, President; Brad Sirianni, Past President; Myron Oftedahl, Treasurer; Jennifer Smith (MN), Secretary; Tina LeBrun, Sponsorship Coordinator; and Lori Tonak, National Council Representative. The President Elect position will remain open until a candidate is found by the Executive Board.

In other business, President Brad Sirianni and Secretary Betsy Jensen were thanked for their service.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm by Pauline VanNurden, second by Kara Wulfekuhle.

Submitted by,

Betsy Jensen