

Agriculture Development Council Minutes
Teleconference
Department of Agriculture Conference Room 225
Helena, Montana
April 16, 2018

Members in attendance:

Amy Kellogg, Chair, Kalispell (by phone)
Lars Hanson, Vice Chair, Edgar (by phone)
Patricia Quisno, Harlem (by phone)
Tara Mastel, Whitehall (by phone)
Greg Jergeson, Chinook (by phone)
Tom Kaiserski, proxy for Pam Haxby-Cote (by phone)
Kim Mangold, proxy for Ben Thomas (in person)

Montana Department of Agriculture Staff attending in person:

Christy Clark, Bureau Chief, Agriculture Development and Marketing Bureau
Angie Nelson, Marketing and Growth Through Agriculture Program Manager, Agriculture
Development and Marketing Bureau
Zach Coccoli, Staff Attorney, Agriculture Development and Marketing Bureau
Lina Al Assadi, Budget Analyst, Agriculture Development and Marketing Bureau
Jana Mertens, Insurance Claim Technician, Agriculture Development and Marketing Bureau

Amy Kellogg, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m., April 16, 2018.

Roll Call/Call for Proxies

- **Monday, April 16, 2018 a general, irrevocable proxy was received from Agriculture Development Council member, Ben Thomas granting voting authority to Kim Mangold, Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture, who was present as Mr. Thomas' representative.**
- **Monday, April 16, 2018 a general, irrevocable proxy was received from Agriculture Development Council member Pam Haxby-Cote, Department of Commerce granting voting authority to Tom Kaiserski, Department of Commerce, who was present (by phone) as Director Haxby-Cote's representative.**

Public Comment

Chair, Amy Kellogg, called for public comments. No public comments were presented.

Minutes

Review of February 6-8, 2018 Council Minutes

Motion: To accept the February 6-8, 2018 meeting minutes as presented.

By: Lars Hanson

2nd: Greg Jergeson

Action: The motion carried with no dissenting votes.

Discuss Proposed Scoring Changes for 2018

Angie Nelson gave an overview of the proposed changes and the Council discussed the proposed changes.

Motion: To approve the proposed scoring and allow the staff to edit and revise the program guidelines with Council Chair approval.

By: Greg Jergeson

2nd: Patty Quisno

Action: Motion passed with Tara Mastel dissenting.

Contract Change Decisions Made Without Full Council Action

Go Roam Free, Loan # 18GTAAL003. Term change from 3 years to 4 years loan term.

GTA Award Update

On the Rise Bread Company declined award of \$25,000 loan.

Discuss Next Application Deadline

Motion: Greg Jergeson moved to change the application deadline to November 1, 2018.

2nd: Tom Kaiserski

Action: Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Schedule Next Meeting

Council recommended that Angie Nelson schedule the meeting in August or September. Angie will send out a poll and schedule the meeting.

Public Comments

Chair, Amy Kellogg, called for public comments. No public comments were presented.

Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

By: Tom Kaiserski

2nd: Patty Quisno

Action: The motion carried with no dissenting votes.

Amy Kellogg, Chair, Adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jana Mertens, Insurance Claims Technician, Montana Department of Agriculture