

NORTH DAKOTA STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

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MINUTES of the STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Bismarck, North Dakota
April 11, 2018

A meeting of the North Dakota State Soil Conservation Committee was held at Stay Bridge Suites Bismarck. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., with Chair Dennis Renner presiding. The following persons attended all or a portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Donna Grann, Supervisor, Area I
Kelly Klosterman, Supervisor, Area II
Bruce Knudson, Supervisor, Area III
Jack Spah, Supervisor, Area IV
Wesley Frederick, Area V
Dennis Renner, Appointee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Barton Schott, Appointee

OTHERS PRESENT

Bruce Schmidt, Soil Conservation & Watershed Program Leader, NDSU Extension
Sarah Tungen, NDCDEA Director

MINUTE APPROVAL

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SPAH, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KLOSTERMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE MARCH 13th SSCC MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS:

NDASCD Area II Report / Resolutions – Finley on April 4th presented by Kelly Klosterman. Good turnout at the meeting and Warren Solberg Cass SCD was elected to represent Area II on the SSCC.

Discussion on the Association decision to NOT hold 2019 Area Meetings but hold them during the State meeting was discussed. A letter from the SSCC is to be drafted and sent to NDASCD asking the Association Board to review this decision. Major area of concern is no plan for the review of resolutions 60 days before the Convention.

AG COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

The SSCC has been invited to the April 12th Ag Committee Legislative Review to update the Committee on the progress of the SSCC since the December 19th meeting. Items to present:

- Improved communications – newsletter – quarterly SSCC meeting
- Supervisor Handbook / on-line Accreditation update
- Academy training meetings / impact and future training possibilities
 - Change NDCC 4.1-20-19 Supervisor Training
- Organizational Flow Chart
- Define how the SCDAP money is used by the Districts – revisions

- Surface Mining Report update
- Survey results – recommend PSC

REVIEW OF SCDAP ALLOCATION FOR 2017-19 BIENNIUM

The State Soil Conservation Committee reviewed funding allocations to Soil Conservation Districts for the 2017-19 Biennium Soil Conservation District Assistance Program.

Discussion was held regarding the 2019-2021 SCDAP Application and Fund request process. Sarah Tunge member of the revision committee presented possible changes to 2019-2021 application. The SSCC Committee recommended to continue working on it and thanked her for the work already done.

OTHER BUSINESS

Reminder that AREA IV – Jack Spah position is up for election and eligible for re-election.

NEXT STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

There being no further business to come before the State Soil Conservation Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Bruce Schmidt
Soil Conservation & Watershed Program Leader
Recording Secretary