

## **NORTH DAKOTA**

### **STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION**

#### **January 14, 2020 and January 15, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

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##### **January 14, 2020**

The State Board of Agricultural Research and Education held a special meeting on January 14, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Bismarck for an informal preliminary discussion regarding testimony submitted. Members were reminded to focus on the mission of SBARE as the requests/needs are reviewed.

Members in Attendance: Jim Bahm, Doug Bichler, Mark Birdsall, Larry Hoffman, Jerry Klein, Greg Lardy, Sarah Lovas, Dick Roland, and Dean Wehri.

##### **January 15, 2020**

The State Board of Agricultural Research and Education met for a regular meeting on January 15, 2020 at the North Dakota Heritage Center, Bismarck ND.

Members in Attendance: Jim Bahm, Doug Bichler, Mark Birdsall, Lance Gulleeson, Larry Hoffmann, Kerry Klein, Greg Lardy, Brian Leier, Sarah Lovas, Dick Rohland, Dean Wehri, and Julie Zikmund. Tom Bodine attended on behalf of Doug Goehring.

Absent: Tracy Boe, Dean Bresciani

Chairman Birdsall called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. He welcomed members and guests, and invited everyone in attendance to make introductions.

MOTION: Larry Hoffmann made a motion to approve the December 4, 2019 SBARE meeting minutes; seconded by Jim Bahm. Motion carried.

##### **Administrative Updates, Dr. Greg Lardy**

Dr. Lardy was named NDSU Vice President for Agricultural Affairs. He reviewed the administrative structure, and new model for the position of Vice President for Agricultural Affairs. A list of current interim positions was shared with the Board. Dr. Lardy provided an update on the monies received during the past legislative session.

Tom Bodine reported that Commissioner Goehring was in Washington DC. He expressed thanks to NDSU Extension for all their work, and the important information gathered. The more information available to take to Washington DC, the more effective the message.

Dr. Lardy reviewed, explained the Agricultural Research Fund which is administered by SBARE. He gave a brief summary of the way the Fund operates.

##### **Approval of 2019-2020 Agricultural Research Fund Committee Lists**

MOTION: Brian Leier made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Agricultural Research Fund Committee Lists; seconded by Sarah Lovas. Motion carried.

**Comments from Mark Birdsall, SBARE Chair**

Chair Birdsall instructed Board members to write down five selections of importance from each category (Extension, Agricultural Experiment Station/Research, Capital). The selections did not need to be ranked. The documentation was handed in and would be compiled by administration. Each member was given the opportunity to speak, expand on their selections.

Dave Ruhland explained the selection process. Once individual items are collected and tabulated, the items are bundled together as appropriate. A ballot will be sent to voting members, a second ballot may be required during the process. The dollar amount is then assigned. Board members were reminded to focus on the need, prior to any dollar amount assigned.

MOTION: Sarah Lovas made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jerry Klein. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Breitbach