

Results Driven Agriculture Research
Board Meeting #10 Minutes

Date: April 19, 2022	Time: 1:00 – 5:00 pm	Place: Microsoft Teams
Meeting Chair: David Chalack	Type of meeting: Board Meeting #10	
Board: David Chalack (Board Chair), Melissa Downing (Board Vice-Chair), Fred Lozeman (Vice-Chair Research Committee), Jason Lenz (Chair Governance Committee), D'Arcy Hilgartner (Vice-Chair Governance Committee), John Kolk (Chair Finance Committee), JP Brouwer (Director), Brian Brewin (Vice-Chair, Finance & Audit Committee), Stan Blade (Chair Research Committee), Steve Kenyon (Vice-Chair Communications Committee)		
Staff: Mark Redmond (CEO), Clinton Dobson (Research Director), Heather Crosby (Recording Secretary and Executive Assistant), David Cochrane (CFO), Lydia Talpash (Operations Director)		
Staff (Item 2 only): Janelle Fohse (Research Program Officer), Trevor Prout (Research Program Officer)		
Alberta Agriculture & Forestry: John Conrad (ADM), Jake Kotowich		

1. Meeting Procedures and Approvals
a. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.

b. Conflict of Interest Declarations

Mr. Kolk and Mr. Brewin declared a conflict of interest, actual or perceived, for Project #2022N109R.

Dr. Blade and Mr. Brouwer declared a conflict of interest, actual or perceived, for Project #16.

c. Approval of Agenda

The Directors approved the agenda.

MOTION: Moved by **MR. HILGARTNER**, seconded by **DR. LOZEMAN**, to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried Unam.

d. Approval of Minutes
i. March 1 Board Meeting #9

The Directors provided revisions to the minutes.

MOTION: Moved by **MR. BREWIN**, seconded by **DR. LOZEMAN**, to approve the minutes of Board Meeting #9, March 1, 2022, with the revisions. Carried Unam.

ii. April 6 Special Board Meeting #5

MOTION: Moved by **MR. BROUWER**, seconded by **MR. LENZ**, to approve the minutes of Special Board Meeting #5, April 6, 2022. Carried Unam.

2. Research Committee

a. Committee Chair Introduction

The Research Committee Chair and Research Director reviewed the Committee's report. Directors engaged with questions.

Research Director introduced RDAR's new Research Program Officer, Samuel Peparah, to the Board.

ADM Conrad left the meeting at 1:26 pm. Mr. Kotowich attended in his absence.

b. More Than Protein (MTP / Bowden) Presentation

The RDAR Research Director introduced guests from More Than Protein Ingredients Ltd. – Kevin McGeough and Pat Hemminger. The Researchers delivered a project presentation and a question-and-answer session. After the guests left the meeting, the Board engaged in a discussion.

MOTION 10:1: Moved by DR. CHALACK, seconded by MR. KOLK, to approve funding for Project #2022N109R to a maximum of \$499,999. Motion failed, 6 against.

Mr. Kenyon joined the meeting at 2:34 pm.

MOTION 10:2: Moved by MR. HILGARTNER, seconded by MR. KOLK, to approve funding for Project #2022N108R to a maximum of \$248,500. Motion defeated, 4:5.

MOTION 10:3: Moved by MR. HILGARTNER, seconded by MR. LENZ, that RDAR Administration convenes a roundtable on pulse processing and provides the Board with a recommendation on Project #2022N109R at the next meeting. Carried Unam.

ADM Conrad re-joined the meeting at 2:56 pm.

Mr. Brouwer recused himself at 3:12 pm.

c. RFD – Funding \$725,000 for Genome AB, Miglior (Application of Precision Technology for Resilient Cows: Enhancing the sustainability of Alberta's dairy industry

The Research Director and the Research Committee Vice-Chair provided an update on Project #16.

MOTION 10:4: Moved by MR. HILGARTNER, seconded by DR. CHALACK, to approve funding on Project #16 to the total requested amount of \$725,000. Carried Unam.

JP Brouwer re-joined the meeting at 3:19 pm.

3. CEO Report

The CEO presented his report. Discussion followed.

4. Finance and Audit Committee

a. Finance Update

The CFO provided a financial update. The Directors engaged in discussion and asked questions of Administration.

5. Communications Committee

a. Communications Update

The Communications Committee Chair and Operations Director provided an update on the Communications Committee.

- i. June 1 RDAR Round-Up: Even More!
- ii. May 12 Meeting with Minister Nate Horner

6. Other Business

a. Class A Membership – Alberta Greenhouse Growers Association (AGGA)

The CEO provided details on AGGA's request to join RDAR as a Class A Member.

MOTION 10:5: Moved by DR. BLADE, seconded by MR. HILGARTNER, to invite the Alberta Greenhouse Growers Association to join RDAR's Class A Membership. Carried Unam.

b. OFCAF Update

The Research Director and Operations Director provided an update on OFCAF.

c. Report on ARECA AGM & AFIN AGM

Mr. Kenyon provided a report on the AGMs for ARECA and AFIN.

d. Report on Battle River

Mr. Hilgartner provided a report on the Battle River AGM.

7. Update from Agriculture Forestry and Rural Economic Development (AFRED)

ADM Conrad provided an update on behalf of AFRED.

8. In-Camera Session – Level 1 – Board and CEO

The Board and CEO went into In-Camera Level 1 at 4:50 pm.

9. In-Camera Session – Level 2 – Board only

The Board went into In-Camera Level 2 at 5:05 pm.

Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm.


APPROVED:



Dr. David Chalack, Board Chair

August 3, 2022

Date


[Mark Redmond \(Aug 24, 2022 12:59 MDT\)](#)

Dr. Mark Redmond, CEO

Aug 24, 2022

Date