**ILLINOIS CORN MARKETING BOARD**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a Meeting**

**Held August 19, 2019**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Corn Marketing Board was held at the Illinois Corn office in Bloomington, Illinois on August 19, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 4:45 pm by Don Duvall, Chairman.

 Those present were:

 Roger Sy Mark Wilson

 Don Duvall Jim Reed

 Jon Rosenstiel Dirk Rice

 Paul Jeschke

 Also present were:

 Kayla Veeder Jim Raben

 Jim Tarmann Dan Cole

***ICMB Officer Interest***

Roger Sy expressed interest in running for Chairman. Dirk Rice expressed interest in running for Vice-Chairman. Mark Wilson expressed interest in running for Treasurer. Jim Reed expressed interest in running for Secretary. Officer elections will be first thing tomorrow morning.

***NCGA Corn Board Election Results***

The committee discussed the results of the NCGA Corn Board election and the voting process at the meeting itself. The committee would like to explore other options for voting procedures when electing Corn Board directors.

***US Grains Council Election Results***

The committee discussed the results of the US Grains Council election. Jim Raben attended the meeting and gave an update on US Grains Council activities.

***NCGA Action Team Appointments***

We will submit our Action Team state prioritization form to NCGA after the leaders review applications that were received. A-Team appointments should be announced in early October.

***FY19 Audit Engagement***

We are set to start our FY19 audit in October. We received an engagement letter from the firm who completed our FY18 audit and the quote is the same as last year.

 **It was moved by Mark Wilson and seconded by Jon Rosenstiel**

**THAT we commit $17,500 to engage with [Dunbar, Breitweiser & Company to complete our FY19 audit.](http://www.dbc-llp.com/)**

 **The motion carried.**

***Funding for Executive Programs & Communications Plan***

The committee discussed funding for Executive Committee programs.

 **It was moved by Dirk Rice and seconded by Paul Jeschke**

**THAT we commit $1,000 for SIU Ag Industry Day Executive Programs from the FY20 budget.**

 **The motion carried.**

The committee discussed the Ag in the Classroom program. The committee would like more ownership in the program and would like to have more involved relationships with county farm bureau offices. We would like to schedule a side meeting with Susan Moore and Kevin Daugherty during the Farm Progress Show to discuss options.

The committee discussed the Taste of Illinois event at the Illinois Farm Bureau meeting last year. We are interested in participating again this year. ICMB and ICGA will split the sponsorship.

 **It was moved by Mark Wilson and seconded Paul Jeschke**

**THAT we commit $2,500 for the 2019 IFB annual meeting from the FY20 budget.**

 **The motion carried.**

Lindsay Mitchell will begin working on the FY19 annual report very soon.

 **It was moved by Jon Rosenstiel and seconded by Jim Reed**

**THAT we commit $25,000 for the FY19 annual report from the FY20 budget.**

 **The motion carried.**

 **It was moved by Jim Reed and seconded by Dirk Rice**

 **THAT we commit $100,000 for producer education from the FY20 budget.**

 **The motion carried.**

 **It was moved by Dirk Rice and seconded by Mark Wilson**

 **THAT we commit $30,000 for RFD from the FY20 budget.**

 **The motion carried.**

The Farm Assets Conference is scheduled for the week of Thanksgiving, but we may need to think about timing of this event due to a late harvest this year. ICGA will have more discussion at their board meeting this week.

The committee discussed location options for the January board meeting. The consensus of the group was to travel to the Edwardsville/St. Louis area in January. A tour of the National Corn to Ethanol Research Center would be incorporated into the meeting. The committee also discussed inviting Missouri Corn to participate in some activities.

***September Executive Committee Meeting***

The Executive Committees of ICMB and ICGA will meet to continue working on the strategic plan on September 5 or 6. The ICGA Executive Committee will choose the date at their meeting tomorrow.

 **It was moved by Roger Sy and seconded by Jim Reed**

 **THAT the meeting of the Executive Committee be adjourned.**

 **The motion carried.**

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 Mark Wilson, Secretary