

**IDAHO BARLEY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 2018, IBC OFFICE, BOISE, ID**

I. Roll Call – Chairman Wes Hubbard called the IBC meeting to order at 1:36 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at the IBC office in Boise, ID. **Attendees included:**

Wes Hubbard, Chairman
Pat Purdy, District II Commissioner
Scott Brown, District III Commissioner
Tim Pella, Industry Representative
Kelly Olson, Administrator
Tammy Golder, Administrative Assistant

Guests: UI CALS Dean Michael Parrella, Moscow; Dr. Barbara Petty, Associate Dean & Director, UI Extension, Moscow; Jen Root, UI CALS Senior Director of Development, Moscow; Stacey Satterlee, IGPA Executive Director, Boise; Rich Garber, IGPA Legislative Advisor, Boise.

II. UI CALS Funding Discussion with Dean Parrella

UI CALS Dean Michael Parrella presented a proposal for the board's consideration to invest \$60,000 (\$30,000 in the current FY 2018 and \$30,000 in next FY 2019) in the proposed Center for Food, Agriculture and the Environment (CAFE) to address priority issues of irrigation efficiencies and cereal forages. Dean Parrella also invited the board to consider expanding our Barley Research Agronomy Endowment to enhance Dr. Christopher Roger's research capacity at the Aberdeen Research & Extension Center, which would include funding a post-doctoral scientist position (visiting scientists typically serve two year research positions). Dean Parrella agreed to fund the first year of Dr. Rogers' post doctoral scientist in FY 2018 (Dr. Biswanath Dari was hired in August 2017) and Dr. Rogers presented a proposal to the IBC to fund a second year in FY 2019. The board agreed to consider a more detailed proposal on expanding the Barley Research Agronomy Endowment during the board's June budget meeting.

III. IBC Program Review

IGPA / NBGA report – IGPA Executive Director Stacey Satterlee briefed the board on the winter NBGA meeting in Washington, D.C. This meeting included expanded Barley BILOT advocate training for Chad Larsen (Dubois), Clinton & Eva Kinghorn (Idaho Falls), Lucas Spratling (Raft River) and Alex Reed (Twin Falls). Commissioner Scott Brown offered very positive comments on the value of Barley BILOT training and the excellent meeting conducted by NBGA President Dwight Little. Stacey and Legislative Advisor Rich Garber, reported on IGPA's legislative priorities in the 2017 Idaho Legislative session. These issues include bills addressing trespass and a non-refundable tax credit for qualified railroad expenditures to improve short-line railroad infrastructure. Other issues that IGPA is monitoring include a bill to consolidate all school board elections to once a year, eliminate dual interstate speed limits and restrictions on slow moving vehicles in the left lane.

Executive Session – A motion was made by Commissioner Pat Purdy, and seconded, to move into executive session to discuss the pool of candidates for Administrator and their hiring process. The motion carried. The board returned to regular business at 3:00 p.m. and continued program reports.

U.S. Grains Council (USGC) report – Commissioners Pat Purdy and Scott Brown reported on the U.S. Grains Council's winter membership and international marketing conference held on February 12-14, 2018 in Houston, TX. They reported on issues addressed in the barley sector breakfast, including an effort to provide more detailed information on U.S. food barley varieties to help the Taiwan and South Korea country directors target potential uses in their markets. Commissioner Scott Brown also reported on the Council's Grain Export Mission (GEM) to Morocco that he participated in January. Scott reported that Morocco typically imports feed barley from France, due to price and shipping logistics.

Food Barley Initiative – Prior to the IBC meeting, the board and staff met with representatives of HB Specialty Foods, Nampa, to discuss their current efforts to develop food products containing food barley, geared to high end restaurant and school food services. IBC will engage with its PNW industry partners this spring on the development of a major domestic food barley marketing campaign.

National Barley Improvement Committee – The Administrator reviewed federal barley research funding priorities that will be pursued during the NBIC lobbying effort on March 4-7. Commissioner Brown will participate in NBIC on our behalf. NBIC's priorities include full funding for the National Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative at \$10 million (\$8.7 million in FY 2017) and National Small Grains Genomic Initiative at \$3.4 million (\$1 million enacted in FY 2017). Scab research funding has been awarded to UI and ARS scientists at research facilities in Aberdeen, ID the past three years.

Pacific Northwest Direct Seed Association membership – Commissioner Pat Purdy reported on the Direct Seed Conference held in January in Kennewick, WA. Pat reported that he had been elected to the PNWDSA board of directors and asked the board to evaluate future membership in this association. The board agreed to consider a proposal at their June budget meeting.

Risk Management Education – IBC was awarded a \$32,960 competitive risk management education grant from the Western Center for Risk Management Education last year to help cover IBC and UI Extension educational programs this past fall and winter.

IBC Grain Marketing Web-based App:

- **Hire grain marketing intern Adam Young (producer from Blackfoot)**
- **Create Idaho Basis Charts**
- **Investigate Grain Marketing Digital Dashboard or App** that features real time

Idaho cash prices. We have looked at grain.com and geograin.com and decided to work with the Bozeman MT developers of GeoGrain.com to expand their marketing app.

IBC Webinar Series:

- **DEC. 14, 2017 Five Common Mistakes in Grain Marketing featuring Ed Usset**, University of Minnesota Center for Farm Financial Management. Link at <https://umn.webex.com/umn/lsr.php?RCID=ae9df66dac774406b1dd375c7f9e2a30>
- **Dec. 1, 2017 Winter 2018 Weather & Water Outlook** featuring Troy Lindquist, NWS Senior Hydrologist. Link at <https://vimeo.com/246010744>

Ag Technology Bootcamp: Pocatello, Jan 4-5, 2018.

IBC Grain Marketing Workshops

Rexburg – Feb 13

Pocatello – Feb 14

Southern Idaho Extension (total of 11 faculty collaborators):

- Farm Succession & Estate Planning:
 - Arco – Oct 4
 - Pocatello – Oct 5
 - Montpelier – Oct 24, 31, Nov 7, 14
 - Rexburg – Oct 25, Nov 1, 8, 15
 - American Falls – Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16
- Ag Outlook Seminars:
 - Idaho Falls – Dec 5
 - Burley – Dec 6
 - Caldwell – Dec 7
- Livestock Risk Management & Stockmanship:
 - Caldwell - Dec 18
 - Jerome – Dec 19
 - Blackfoot – Dec. 20
- Farm and Ranch Management Schools:
 - American Falls – Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13
 - Rexburg – Jan 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 14
 - Preston – Jan 11, 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15
 - Burley/Twin Falls/Jerome – Dates TBD
- Grain Marketing and Climate Change presentation at South-Eastern Cereal Schools:
 - Burley – Feb 6
 - Pocatello – Feb 7
 - Idaho Falls & Ashton – Feb 8
 - Preston – Feb 9
- Futures Markets for Dummies Workshops:
 - American Falls – Feb 20
 - Rexburg – Feb 21
 - Preston – Feb 22

North Idaho Extension:

- Grain Production Economics at North Idaho Cereal Schools:
 - Lewiston – Jan 22
 - Greencreek – Jan 23
 - Bonnors Ferry – Jan 24
- Keeping the Legacy Alive (succession planning) Workshops on March 20, 23 and 28 in Lewiston.

IV. IBC Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the IBC's October 6, 2017 meeting were reviewed. **A motion was made by Commissioner Pat Purdy, and seconded, to approve the minutes for the October 6, 2017 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

V. IBC Financial Report

Monthly check-off receipts, balance sheet and income statements -- The Administrator and Administrative Assistant reviewed financial reports as of February 12, 2018, showing check-off receipts totaling \$405,550.14, which is \$17,075 below the same period a year ago, due to very slow movement of 2017 on-farm barley to markets. They reviewed the IBC's balance sheet and income statement, showing assets at \$456,306.67; total income to date of \$407,998.28, which is 55% of the budgeted amount for the year; and expenses of \$501,898.51, which is 69% of the budgeted amount. One over-budget item covering educational workshops was reviewed and the Administrator explained these expenses will be reimbursed by WSU risk management education grant. **A motion was made by Commissioner Scott Brown, and seconded, to approve the IBC financial report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

VI. IBC Administration

Malting barley industry developments – Industry Representative Tim Pella and the Administrator reported on malting industry developments, including a confidential review of 2018 contracted acreage which will stabilize in 2018.

Approval of Hosted Meals – The Administrator presented six hosted meals for approval, totaling \$258.44: Oct. 6, 2017 dinner hosted for three UI researchers for dinner in Moscow following the IBC meeting; Oct. 7, 2017 hosted two UI researchers for breakfast in Moscow to discuss north Idaho food barley research and commercialization; Nov. 7, 2017 hosted coffee for two school food service reps in Eagle; Jan. 25, 2018 hosted two CALS administrators for dinner in Boise; Feb. 1, 2018 hosted food barley industry breakfast in Idaho Falls; Feb. 5, 2018 hosted school food service consultant for coffee in Boise. **A motion was made by Industry Representative Tim Pella, and seconded, to approve six hosted meals totaling \$285.44. The motion carried unanimously.**

Calendar and Travel Authorizations – The Administrator reviewed the calendar and offered no new travel authorization requests.

VII. IBC FY 2019 Research Funding Approval

The board discussed 16 research proposals for FY 2019 funding presented by the University of Idaho and USDA ARS scientists during the annual barley research review held earlier that day. There was considerable discussion about exercising restraint in anticipation of a more in-depth discussion in June on long-term barley production projections and whether to maintain the barley tax assessment at three cents per hundredweight. **A motion was made by Commissioner Pat Purdy, and seconded, to approve UI barley research funding in FY 2019 in the amount of \$119,682, with additional funding to support Dr. Chris Rogers' post doctoral scientist and funding in the amount of \$61,000 for ARS research at Aberdeen and Kimberly. The motion carried unanimously.**

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Project Title and PIs	FY 2019 Request	IBC Approved 2/21/2018
Barley Extension Nurseries (J. Marshall, K. Schroeder, O. Walsh)	\$19,439	\$16,500
Small Grains Report (J. Marshall)	\$750	\$750
Evaluation of Elite Barley Lines in Northern Idaho (K. Schroeder)	\$3,970	\$3,970
NEW – Support Scientist for North Idaho Extensionn	\$4,454	\$4,454
Wireworm survey & control (A. Rashed, C. Rogers, J. Marshall)	\$15,268	\$15,000
Evaluation of Soil Test Methods for Determining N Fertilizer Recommendations in Barley (C. Rogers, J. Marshall, K. Schroeder)	\$16,950	\$16,950
Nutrient Uptake & Partitioning Related to Protein Under Water Stress (C. Rogers, X. Liang, H. Neibling)	\$12,432	\$12,432
Graduate Student Support (C. Rogers)	\$12,288	\$12,288
NEW – Barley Agronomy Postdoctoral Scientist Support (C. Rogers)	\$67,342	Will support; mechanism to be determined
NEW – Assessing Residue Sources & Mgmt Practices (C. Rogers, O. Walsh, K. Schroeder, J. Marshall)	\$15,230	\$15,230

Early Warning Disease Detection of Foliar Pathogens (J. Woodhall, J. Marshall)	\$8,108	\$8,108
LESA Irrigation Sprinkler Retrofits (H. Neibling)	\$14,561	\$14,000
NEW – Comprehensive Soil & Crop Survey (O. Walsh, C. Rogers)	\$25,012	\$0
NEW – Fungal & Oomycete Soil-borne Disease Mgmt	\$18,000	\$0
UI TOTAL	\$233,804	\$119,682+
USDA ARS Barley Breeding	\$53,000	\$47,000
USDA ARS Long-Term Manure Study	\$14,000	\$14,000
USDA ARS TOTAL	\$67,000	\$61,000

A final motion was made by Commissioner Pat Purdy, and seconded, to approve all acts and transactions of the February 21, 2018 IBC meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

With no other business, the IBC meeting was adjourned by Chairman Wes Hubbard at 4:15 p.m.

Wes Hubbard, Chairman

Date

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