

The actions delineated below were taken in open session of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board at the December 18, 2020 business meeting. This is provided in summary form; an official record of the meeting is available in the permanent records of the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy, 404 Ann Street, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



**Kentucky Agricultural Development Board
Summary Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting
December 18, 2020
404 Ann Street
Frankfort, KY 40601**

Call to Order

Governor Andy Beshear, presiding, called the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB) regular business meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. (EST).

Roll Call

The following members were present: Governor Andy Beshear, Agriculture Commissioner Dr. Ryan Quarles, Sarah Butler (designee for interim Secretary Larry Hayes), Dr. Kirk Pomper (designee for KSU President Dr. Christopher Brown II), Dean Nancy Cox, Tom McKee, Bobby Foree, Pat Henderson, Fritz Giesecke, Robbie Williams, Mark Barker, Matthew Hinton, Wayne Hunt, Dr. Gordon Jones, Katie Moyer and Al Pedigo.

Notification of Media

Governor Beshear received verification from Marielle McElmurray, Director of Public Affairs, that the media had been notified of the KADB monthly meeting.

Welcome

Governor Beshear welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave an update on the status of the COVID-19 vaccinations.

Approval of Minutes

Governor Beshear entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2020 board meeting.

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the minutes, as presented; Mr. McKee seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Report

Gov. Beshear yielded the floor to Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles. Commissioner Quarles welcomed everyone to the teleconference meeting and highlighted some of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) activities since the last meeting. He encouraged everyone to support Kentucky Proud products and mentioned the Kentucky Proud campaign released for the holidays. Dr. Quarles thanked the state universities for the work being done through their respected agriculture programs and how it supports farmers across the state and beyond. He indicated the Farm Machinery Show would be moved to March 31 through April 3, 2021. Dr. Quarles stated that the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) continues to be active in Washington D.C. and a the new EPA administrator was named out of North Carolina. He noted that NASDA is planning to have its national conference in Louisville in September.

Executive Director's Report

Governor Beshear yielded the floor to Dorsey Ridley, GOAP Executive Director, to report to the board.

Mr. Ridley welcomed everyone to the teleconference meeting and updated the board on his recent activities. He referenced the board to articles concerning a commercial rye cover crop initiative and AppHarvest's

recent AgriTech venture in Kentucky. Mr. Ridley discussed additional funding for meat processing through the CARES Act and introduced GOAP spring intern, Aubrey Wells.

Deputy Executive Director's Report

Governor Beshear yielded the floor to Bill McCloskey, GOAP Deputy Executive Director, to report to the board.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the October 2020 Kentucky Broadcaster's Association Public Education Partnership (PEP) Program memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Update on 2020 County Initiatives memorandum (*on file*). The deadline for submitting names for the county councils and five-year update of the comprehensive plans was extended to October 31, 2020 due to COVID-19. Mr. Pedigo requested an updated copy of the county initiative information.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the 2020 Kentucky CARES for Meat Processing memorandum (*on file*). To date, the 2020 Kentucky CARES for Meat Processing has approved 12 projects in 12 different counties and committed all in CARES Act funding with a waiting list.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund State Pool Tobacco Funds (*on file*) as of November 24, 2020.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund County Balances (*on file*) as of November 24, 2020.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed the KAFC Statement of Financial Position (*on file*) as of November 30, 2020.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed the Category B Loans (*on file*) as of November 30, 2020.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the November KAFC agenda and list of applications presented for approval (*on file*).

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the Deputy Executive Director's Report; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Joint KADB/KAFC Committee on Hemp Report

Governor Beshear called on Ms. Moyer to provide the Joint KADB/KAFC Committee on Hemp Report.

Ms. Moyer indicated that KDA and Keith Rogers reported to the committee the status of the hemp program in the state and Mr. McCloskey provided updates on projects that had been funded by the KADB. The committee recommended KADB to continue to fund equipment and infrastructure needed to support the KDA plan for hemp. A memo for approval of a joint statement on hemp was considered later in the meeting under memo action items.

Ms. Butler moved to approve the committee report; Dr. Cox seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Recipient Review Committee

Governor Beshear called on Mr. Henderson and Melanie McPartlin, Executive Director for Kentucky Proud, to provide the KDA Recipient Review Committee report.

Mr. Henderson reminded the board it had previously approved the KDA's application for a two year program and indicated there would be a memo for action concerning remaining funds that were not utilized due to the pandemic.

Ms. McPartlin gave an update to the board concerning the campaign for Kentucky Proud and shared advertisements currently being used.

Dr. Jones moved to approve the committee report; Dr. Cox seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Commissioner Dr. Ryan Quarles abstained.

Kentucky Horticulture Council (KHC) Recipient Review Committee

Governor Beshear called on Dr. Pomper to provide the KHC Recipient Review Committee report.

Dr. Pomper indicated the committee had met recently. He stated the horticulture industry is very vibrant in state and the KHC is doing an excellent job to implement objectives. He highlighted some of the initiatives of the council and mentioned in addition to the KADB funding, they have been seeking out grants to also help with the budget.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the committee report; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Management Committee Report

Governor Beshear called on Mr. Giesecke to provide the On-Farm Water Management Committee report.

Mr. Giesecke gave an overview of projects considered by the committee. Recommendations were considered later in the meeting under new business.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee report; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Meat Processing Expansion Committee Report

Governor Beshear called on Renee Carrico to provide the Meat Processing Expansion Committee report.

Ms. Carrico provided the Meat Processing Expansion Committee report and mentioned there will be action memos from the committee for vote including the approval of Bobby Pace as the processing consultant. Ms. Carrico reviewed the status of the funds for Kentucky CARES for Meat Processing and noted Porter Road is the first applicant on the wait list.

Mr. McKee moved to approve the committee report; Dr. Pomper seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

KADB Program Evaluation Committee

Governor Beshear called on Mr. Hinton to give the KADB Program Evaluation Committee report.

Mr. Hinton updated the board on the recent activities of the committee. Mr. Hinton reported the committee has recommended that staff organize meetings for focus groups to get input on KADF programs and will be making a recommendation to the board to add a log loading trailer with boom to the list of eligible equipment to the 2021 shared-use equipment program.

Mr. Hinton moved to accept the committee report; Dr. Jones seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

KADB Compliance Committee Report

Governor Beshear called on Mr. Barker to provide the KADB Compliance Committee report.

Mr. Barker updated the board on the recent activities of the committee. Activities included reviewing requests from Beef & Bacon Custom Processing (A2013-0301, A2017-0185); Kentucky State Fair Board (A2019-0001); Foothills Products and Services, Inc. (A2008-0280); other project updates from staff reporting compliance and the status of the five-year county comprehensive plans update.

Dr. Jones moved to approve the committee report; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Memo Action Items

Governor Beshear called on Anne Marie Franklin, Brian Murphy, Ms. Carrico, Stefanie Osterman, Mr. McCloskey, and Danielle Milbern to present the following memo action items:

AgriTech Guidelines and Project Application

Anne Marie Franklin, AgriTech Project Manager, presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced program. The requested 2021 program funding would allow for up to 50 AgriTech projects at the full \$10,000 cost-reimbursement award to be approved throughout the state. The AgriTech Program will be cost-reimbursement grants up to 50% of a given project's costs.

Governor Beshear commented on the importance of the AgriTech initiative and its goal to include all size farms, especially Kentucky's small farmers. Gov. Beshear stated his concerns with an AgriTech program not being inclusive of all of Kentucky's farmers. He also mentioned that the KADB would act as a fail-safe by having the opportunity to review all applications before approval and stated the KADB's large part in making this progressive movement in 2021.

Mr. McKee expressed his support of this program from the standpoint of a small scale farmer and his excitement for the initiative.

Mr. Hunt stated his support of the initiative and program, but wanted clarification on AgriTech funds being directly disbursed to individual farmer's capital. He proposed a committee structure to better categorize application types to prevent funds being committed too quickly.

Mr. Barker commented on the various definitions of AgriTech and asked the board to consider having a clear understanding of the program's goals to incorporate all forms of AgriTech before moving forward on the approval of the program.

GOAP staff explained a multitude of AgriTech businesses in Kentucky that currently offer AgriTech and the broad equipment list on the guidelines was in order to be all-inclusive. The proposed AgriTech Committee will allow applications to be more focused and an evolution of the program going forward.

Dr. Pomper indicated that small farmers have a variety of needs on their operations and agreed that the \$500,000 allocated would go quickly. He expressed his support of the program and his hopes to see it expand in the future.

Dr. Jones stated his support of the committee structure idea to allow time to have a more clearly defined program.

Dr. Jones moved to refer the guidelines and application to the Blue Application Review Committee for a recommendation to the full board.

Mr. Williams expressed his support of the program on behalf of grain farmers and stated the large potential economic impact this initiative will have across multiple industries.

Dean Cox thanked GOAP staff for recognizing the role of universities and post-secondary education leaders on the proposed AgriTech Committee.

Mr. Foree stated his support of the program's intent, but stated he would like to further develop the program guidelines before the next KADB meeting.

Mr. Henderson recommended the board look to the Meat Processing Expansion Committee structure to develop an AgriTech Committee. He supported sending the guidelines and application to a committee for review. Mr. Henderson asked Dr. Jones to amend his motion in order to establish an AgriTech Committee for recommendation to the full board.

Dr. Jones retracted his original motion.

Mr. Henderson moved to refer the guidelines and application to the new AgriTech Committee for review and revised recommendation by the January KADB meeting; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

Commissioner Quarles stated his support of a KADB-driven AgriTech program. He mentioned his work on AgriTech over the past two year and encouraged the AgriTech Committee to include County funds in the program funding as well.

Ms. Moyer inquired on the list of eligible equipment being potentially used for hemp production and processing.

GOAP staff indicated hemp project approvals would need to align with the KADB/KAFC Joint Committee on Hemp's guidelines.

VOTE: Motion Passed: Unanimous.

Meat Processing Consultant

Mr. Murphy presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for approval. The Meat Processing Expansion Committee expects that an opinion of an expert in the field of meat processing will be of considerable value to the committee in making its recommendations to the board on how to award funds to applicants.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended awarding the personal services contract to provide meat processing services to Bobby Pace, President RDP Consulting, LLC.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Dr. Jones seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Commissioner Quarles assumed the chair at 11:32 a.m.

Joint KADB/KAFC Committee on Hemp

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request to accept the 2021 Joint KADB/KAFC Committee on Hemp policy statement.

The committee recommended approval of the following statement:

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Management

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request to accept the 2021 On-Farm Water Mangement Program Guidelines and commitment of remaining funds to the 2021 program

The committee recommended approval of the request.

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

KADF Program Evaluation Committee

Ms. Osterman presented a memorandum (*on file*) from the above referenced committee to approve the addition of a log-loading trailer with hoist to the 2021 Shared-Use Equipment Program.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2008-0280 Foothills Products and Services, Inc. (FPSI)

Mr. McCloskey presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced project concerning the sale of the business.

The KADB Compliance Committee is recommending the sale based on the following conditions:

1. Buyer will assume the KHIC loan with a first position – approximately \$300,000.
2. Write off \$250,000 from the KADB loan (Based on 2020 Meat Processing Investment Program – Level 4).
3. Buyer will assume the \$161,815 KADB zero interest loan based on terms below less any payments by FPSI before exchange of ownership:
 - Three month grace period before first loan payment.
 - Monthly payments at \$650 with electronic deposit.
 - 15 year term with balloon payment in the amount up to \$44,815.
 - KADB will have a second position on real estate with improvements and equipment.
 - Buyer will provide a personal guarantee.
4. New owner will NOT be eligible under 2020 Meat Processing Investment Program.
5. New owner will be eligible to apply for KADF in 2021.
6. KADB commitment contingent on KHIC approving buyer and assumption of its loan.
7. Recommend buyer work with KCARD to develop a business plan.
8. Recommend buyer work with Meat Processing Consultant contracted with GOAP.
9. Finalize sale with FPSI ownership.

There was further discussion on making some of the recommended items a requirement. GOAP staff indicated that finding a buyer had been difficult and making additional demands could jeopardize the sale potentially resulting in KADB having a greater loss.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Dr. Jones seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2018-0032 Magoffin County Extension District Board – Danielle Milbern

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a time extension for construction of the farmers market facility. This extension is requested due to construction being delayed from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Staff recommends approving the request for a 12 month time extension. The new expiration date would be December 25, 2021.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2018-0169 Kentucky Department of Agriculture

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget revision and retain approximately \$30,000 in State funds for the 2021 budget.

The Recipient requested a transfer of \$88,746 in State funds to “Branding and Advertising” budget category from the “Buy Local” and “Farm to Fork” budget categories.

Additionally, the Recipient requested to transfer any remaining “POP” and “Buy Local” funds from grantee payout period January – June 2021 from the A2018-0169 grant to the same budget categories with 2021 funding in the A2020-0250 grant.

KDA Recipient Review Committee recommended approval of the budget amendment.

There was discussion on the process of returning and reissuing funds.

Mr. Henderson moved to accept the committee recommendation, as presented; Dr. Jones seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Commissioner Quarles abstained.

A2019-0001 Kentucky State Fair Board

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a time extension to allow time to complete the project and reimbursement paperwork.

The KADB Compliance Committee reviewed this request due to it being made after the project expired. The Committee recommended the request be approved. The new expiration date would be April 30, 2021.

Mr. Giesecke moved to accept the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2019-0068 The Jericho Farmhouse LLC

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a six-month time extension to complete a final check request.

Staff recommended approving the request for a six-month time extension. The new expiration date will be July 3, 2021.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the time extension; seconded by Ms. Moyer.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2019-0224 City of Hazard

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget amendment and \$19,000 additional funds. The additional funds request is due to increased expenses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approving the request.

Mr. McKee moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; seconded by Dr. Jones.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2019-0254 Kentucky State Fair Board

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a seven-month time extension to complete the project and reimbursement paperwork. The new expiration date would be September 10, 2021.

Staff recommended approval of the time extension request.

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the staff recommendation, as presented; seconded by Mr. Hunt.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0142 Central Kentucky Meats

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget amendment to change the vacuum stuffer for the patty former equipment.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended approval of the budget amendment.

Mr. Henderson moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; seconded by Mr. Foree.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Presentations

A2018-0211 UK Research Foundation and Kentucky Beef Mobile App (X10D Platform)

Commissioner Quarles yielded the floor to Sandy Gardner to introduce Dr. Les Anderson, UK Assistant Extension Professor, to provide an update on the above mentioned project.

No action required.

A2019 – 0223 Kentucky Center for Agriculture and Rural Development (KCARD), Inc.

Commissioner Quarles yielded the floor to Sandy Gardner to introduce Aleta Botts, Executive Director, to provide an update on the above mentioned project as a requirement of the legal agreement.

Mr. Giesecke moved to approve presentation and to release second year funding, as presented; seconded by Mr. Hinton.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous

New Business

New Applications for Referral¹

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present new applications for referral.

Mr. McCloskey referenced one (1) new application for referral.

Mr. Foree moved to refer the submitted applications to the appropriate committees; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Programs Recommended for Approval²

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present programs recommended for approval.

Mr. McCloskey referenced seven (7) County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) applications totaling \$761,493; one (1) Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR) application totaling \$7,500; one (1) Shared-Use Equipment application totaling \$5,000; and two (2) Youth Ag Incentives Program application totaling \$25,000. The total program funding is \$798,993.

Mr. Hunt moved to approve all programs meeting state guidelines, as presented; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Requested Program Amendments³

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present requested program amendments.

Mr. McCloskey referenced two (2) counties requesting additional funds for an existing CAIP; Carter County \$50,564 and McLean County \$15,033. Total program amendment funding is \$65,597.

Mr. Barker moved to approve program amendment requests, as presented; Mr. Henderson seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Project Recommendations for Funding

Commissioner Quarles called on Ms. Carrico, Ms. Milbern and Ms. Osterman to present the following recommendations for funding:

Meat Processing Investment Program Recommended for Funding

A2020 – 0270 Kunkle Farm (Level 2)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$37,500 in State funds to purchase and install a walk-in cooler and freezer and various equipment for its custom processing facility.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended approving the request up to \$37,500 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0277 Yoder's Custom Processing, Inc. (Level 2)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$37,500 in State funds to purchase and install a freezer box and unit and building addition for its custom processing facility

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended approving the request up to \$37,500 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Dr. Jones moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0286 Spencer County Butcher Block (Level 2)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$37,500 in State funds to purchase and install a band saw, meat saw, vacuum sealer and various kill floor equipment for its custom processing facility.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended approving the request up to \$37,500 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Projects Recommended for Funding- Producer Implemented Project (PIP) and Small Scale Grant (SSG)

A2020-0287 River Farm Nursery, LLC (PIP)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$45,443 in State funds to implement pot-in-pot tree production and micro-irrigation system.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$45, 443 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the PIP guidelines.

Mr. Hinton moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0233 Andrew Ellison d/b/a Southern Sweet Berry Farm (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$2,000 in State funds to install a micro-irrigation system to increase efficiency of water use of their strawberry operation in Graves County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$2,000 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the SSG guidelines.

Mr. McKee moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Pedigo seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0234 Barton D Rudolph (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$1,500 in State funds to install a micro-irrigation system to increase efficiency of water use for their strawberry operation in McCracken County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$1,500 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the SSG guidelines.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Dr. Pomper seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0269 Conyrea Farms, LLC (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$5,644 in State funds to install an irrigation pipeline and micro-irrigation system to increase efficiency of water use of their strawberry operation in Graves County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$5,644 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the SSG guidelines.

Mr. Hinton moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0272 Sustainable Harvest Farm LLC (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$10,000 in State funds to purchase and install subsurface and drip irrigation systems for its horticulture operation in Laurel County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$10,000 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the SSG guidelines.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0288 Lazy Eight Stock Farm, LLC (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$8,983 in State funds to install pump, pipeline and drip irrigation system for its organic vegetable operation in Madison County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the request for \$8,983 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions under the SSG guidelines.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. McKee seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Projects Recommended for No Funding

A2020-0271 Barr Farms Organic Produce, LLC (SSG)

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$2,814 in State funds for a pond renovation and pump house construction for its beef cattle operation in Breckinridge County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended no funding for this request due to lack of an adequate water source.

Mr. Giesecke moved to approve the committee recommendation of no funding; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Projects Recommended for Funding

A2020 – 0245 City of Fulton

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$88,150 in State funds for the construction of a farmers market pavilion.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the request for up to \$88,150 in State funds and the 2021 Fulton County allocation up to \$150, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Hinton moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0251 Kentucky Horticulture Council

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$803,404 in State funds over two years for Kentucky Small Fruit Crops Program expansion.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the request for the reduced amount of \$500,000 in State funds over a two year period, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Henderson moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0260 Edwards Woolworks

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$24,838 in multiple County Funds and \$24,838 in State funds to establish a wool mill.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the request for up to \$49,676 in multiple County funds matched by State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020 – 0263 Nocheleinda Farms, L.L.C.

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$4,722 in Bourbon County funds to build a walk-in freezer to support marketing farm raised beef.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the request for up to \$4,722 in Bourbon County funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Hinton moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Dr. Jones seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$1,521 in Metcalfe County funds to purchase 18 hams of Metcalfe County 4-H members.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the request for up to \$1,521 in Metcalfe County funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Pending Applications

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present the following pending applications:

Mr. McCloskey stated there were seven (7) project applications pending.

No action necessary on pending projects or programs.

Closing Remarks

Before the meeting adjourned, it was announced there would be an Agritech committee meeting on Tuesday, December 22 at 9 a.m. with the following people volunteering to serve: Sarah Butler, Pat Henderson, Commissioner Ryan Quarles, Dr. Kirk Pomper, Wayne Hunt, Dean Nancy Cox, Robbie Williams, Mark Barker, Dr. Joyce Stubbs (Morehead), Dr. Ed Davis (EKU), Dr. Fred DeGraves (WKU), and Dr. Tony Brannon (Murray).

Commissioner Quarles asked if there was any additional business for the board to discuss and thanked everyone for participating.

The KADB Blue Application Review Committee will meet immediately following adjournment of the regular business meeting.

Next Meeting

Commissioner Quarles stated the next KADB meeting will be held on Friday, January 15, at 10:00 a.m. (EST).

Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Quarles adjourned the meeting at 12:15 pm (EST).

APPROVED DATE:

11-29-21

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Ryan Quarles

Commissioner of Agriculture Ryan Quarles

BOARD SECRETARY:

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1. A detailed list of the New Applications for Referral is attached as Appendix A.
 2. A detailed list of the applications funded under the listed programs is attached as Appendix B.
 3. A detailed list of amendments funded under the listed programs is attached as Appendix C.
 4. A copy of the Meat Processing Expansion Committee minutes is attached as Appendix D.
 5. A copy of the KADB Program Evaluation Committee minutes is attached as Appendix E.
 6. A copy of the KADB Compliance Committee minutes is attached as Appendix F.
 7. A copy of the KY Department of Agriculture Recipient Review Committee minutes is attached as Appendix G.
 8. A copy of the Blue Application Review Committee minutes is attached as Appendix H.
 9. A copy of the Joint KADB/KAFC Committee on Hemp is attached as Appendix I.