

The actions delineated below were taken in open session of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board at the August 20, 2021 business meeting. This is provided in summary form; an official record of the meeting is available in the permanent records of the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy, 404 Ann Street, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



**Kentucky Agricultural Development Board
Summary Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting
August 20, 2021
KY State Fair South Wing A and Video Teleconference – Louisville, KY**

Call to Order

Keith Rogers, presiding, called the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB) regular business meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Roll Call

The following members were present: Keith Rogers (designee for Agriculture Commissioner Dr. Ryan Quarles), Sarah Butler (designee for interim Secretary Larry Hayes), Dr. Kirk Pomper (designee for KSU President Clara Stamps), Dean Nancy Cox, Mark Barker, Bobby Foree, Fritz Giesecke, Gordon Jones, Al Pedigo and Michael Peterson. The following members participated via Zoom: Dorsey Ridley (designee for Governor Andy Beshear), Matt Hinton, Wayne Hunt, Tom McKee and Brenda Paul

Members Absent: Suzanne Cecil White

Notification of Media

Mr. Rogers received verification from Milinda Sosby, Boards and Special Events Manager, that the media had been notified of the KADB monthly meeting.

Welcome

Mr. Rogers welcomed everyone to the KADB board meeting. Members have the option of attending in person or via Zoom.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Rogers entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2021 board meeting.

Dr. Jones moved to approve the minutes, as presented; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Report

Mr. Rogers updated the board on activities of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) and introduced new board member Michael Peterson.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Rogers called on Brian Lacefield, KOAP Executive Director, to report to the board.

Mr. Lacefield referenced a memo and information (*on file*) regarding support for the Council For Burley Tobacco. Dean Cox suggested a legal review of the request to make sure there is not a violation of the master agreement. Dr. Jones and Dr. Pomper indicated support of these type programs would be outside of the intent of funds. Discussion may need to be held with the Tobacco Oversight Committee.

Mr. Lacefield mentioned the recent staff changes and introduced Hannah Johnson who will be replacing Milinda Sosby as the Board and Special Events manager. Logan Bechanan was also recognized for his service as an intern for KADB.

Deputy Executive Director's Report

Mr. Rogers yielded the floor to Bill McCloskey to report to the board.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the June 2021 Kentucky Broadcaster's Association Public Education Partnership (PEP) Program memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced a memo (*on file*) regarding a final County funds update for Patterson's Butcher Shop (A2020-0221).

Mr. McCloskey referenced a memo (*on file*) regarding a final County funds update for AW Farms, LLC (A2020-0054).

Mr. McCloskey referenced a memo (*on file*) regarding a final County funds update for Kentucky Training Center, LLC (A2021-0055).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund State Pool Tobacco Funds (*on file*) as of August 3, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund County Balances (*on file*) as of August 3, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed the KAFC Statement of Financial Position (*on file*) as of July 31, 2021.

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

Mr. Foree moved to approve the Financial Reports, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Meat Processing Expansion Committee Report

Mr. Rogers called on Mr. Hunt to provide the Meat Processing Expansion Committee report.

Mr. Hunt reported the committee is in transition of moving forward with the program or deciding to end the work of this committee. Mr. Bobby Pace has made some recommendations for the committee to consider. Two applications were not funded due to no response for information needed by the committee.

Mr. Hunt moved to accept the committee report, as presented; Ms. Butler seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Marketing and Entreprenership Committee Report

Mr. Rogers called on Sandra Gardner to give the Marketing and Entreprenership Committee report.

Mr. Pedigo moved to accept the committee report, as presented; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Mangement Committee

Mr. Rogers called on Mr. Giesecke to provide the On-Farm Water report.

Mr. Giesecke reported that committee had recently met and two applications would be presented next month for approval. The committee also received an update on several projects.

Mr. Giesecke moved to approve the committee report, as presented; Ms. Butler seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Presentation

A2018-0211 UKRF: Kentucky Beef Mobile App

Mr. Rogers called on Sandra Gardner to introduce presenter Dr. Les Anderson to provide an update on the Kentucky Beef Mobile App (X10D). This presentation was for informational purposes.

No action necessary.

Memo Action Items

Mr. Rogers called on Mr. McCloskey to present the following memo action items

Project Time Extensions

Mr. McCloskey referenced three (3) projects requesting time extensions (*on file*).

Staff recommended approval of these time extension requests.

Ms. Butler moved to accept the staff recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

New Business

New Applications for Referral¹

Mr. Rogers called on Mr. McCloskey to present the new applications for referral.

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

Mr. Pedigo moved to refer the submitted applications to the appropriate committees; Ms. Butler seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Programs Recommended for Approval

Mr. Rogers called on Sarah Bryant to present programs recommended for approval.

Ms. Bryant referenced fifteen (15) County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) applications totaling \$2,814,625.; three (3) DAR applications totaling \$36,250; one (1) Next Gen Program applications totaling \$30,000; one (1) Shared-Use Equipment totaling \$19,125; four (4) Youth Ag Incentives applications totaling \$85,000. The total program funding is \$2,985,000.

Staff recommended approval of these applications.

Dr. Jones moved to approve all programs meeting state guidelines, as presented; Dean Cox seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Requested Program Amendments³

Mr. Rogers called on Ms. Bryant to present requested program amendments.

Ms. Bryant referenced five (5) counties request for additional funds for existing CAIPs: Trigg County (\$79,000); Bullitt County (\$52,000); Henry County (\$70,000; Carroll County (\$4,000) and Marion County (\$30,000); one (1) request for additional funds for an existing NextGen program totaling \$13,000 (Henry County); one (1) request for additional funds for an existing YAIP program totaling \$5,000 (Henry County). Total program amendment funding is \$253,000.

Staff recommended approval of these amendments.

Ms. Butler moved to approve staff recommendation, as presented; Mr. Barker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Applications Recommended for Funding

Mr. Rogers called on Danielle Milbern and Martin Williams to present the following recommendations for funding:

A2021-0157 Nelson County Farm Bureau

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$2,188 in Nelson County funds to purchase grain safety equipment for the Nelson County Fire Department.

The White Application Review Committee recommends funding the applicant's request for \$2,188 in Nelson County Funds, subject to terms and conditions.

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

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2021-0160 Hickman County Board of Education

Mr. Williams referenced the above application requesting \$42,909 in Hickman County Funds for equipment and teaching materials to train students on agriculture workforce skills.

The White Application Review Committee recommended funding the request of \$42,909 in Hickman County funds subject to terms and conditions.

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

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2021-0168 Kentucky Horse Council, Inc.

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$200,000 in State funds for a NASS Survey for the equine industry.

The White Application Review Committee recommends funding the request for the reduced amount of \$200,000 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

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

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Applications for No Funding

A2020-0328 Corner Shop Butchery

Mr. McCloskey referenced the above application requesting funds to build a new USDA Processing Facility.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommends no funding of the request due to applicant's failure to provide needed information and documentation.

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

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2021-0058 Upton Meats & Custom Processing LLC

Mr. McCloskey referenced the above application requesting \$138,238 in State funds for site preparation of the land to build a USDA processing facility and purchase processing equipment.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommends no funding of the request due to applicant's failure to provide needed information and documentation.

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

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

11:30 am Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles assumed the chair.

Pending Applications

Mr. McCloskey stated five (5) applications were pended.

No action necessary on pending projects or programs.

Closing Remarks

Commissioner Quarles welcomed everyone to the State Fair and thanked the board and staff for their participation at the Fair.

Commissioner Quarles stated the KADB Blue Application Review Committee, Meat Processing Expansion Committee, and KADB White Application Review Committee would meet consecutively following the board meeting.

The next KADB meeting will be September 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Quarles entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 am.m. (EDT).

Mr. Pedigo moved to adjourn the August KADB meeting; Mr. Barker seconded the motion

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

APPROVED DATE:

11-29-21

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Ryan Quarles

Commissioner Ryan Quarles

BOARD SECRETARY:

Milinda Sosby

Milinda Sosby, 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 requested Program Amendments is attached as Appendix C.
 4. A detailed list of time extensions is attached as Appendix D.
 5. A copy of the Meat Processing Expansion Committee minutes is attached as Appendix E.
 6. A copy of the On-Farm Water Management Committee minutes is attached as Appendix F.
 7. A copy of the Blue Application Review Committee minutes is attached as Appendix G.
 8. A copy of the White Application Review Committee minutes is attached as Appendix H.
 9. A copy of the Marketing & Entrepreneurship Committee minutes is attached as Appendix I.