

2021 MDPA SPRING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

(IN LIEU OF GENERAL SPRING MEMBER MEETING DUE TO COVID-19)

Virtual Zoom Meeting

June 24, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Dorrian, who welcomed all board members via Zoom.

President Dorrian asked for a roll coll. Interim Executive Secretary/Treasurer Ron Benefiel reported that a quorum had been met.

No minutes were read from prior meeting, as they are posted on the Association's website.

Committee Reports:

<u>Financial</u>—Interim Executive Secretary/Treasurer Benefiel gave the Treasurer's report, stating that the current checking account balance stood at \$25,127.24. Benefiel reminded the board members that this amount was with no 2021 MDPA Spring Meeting and that the Association is still missing a large amount of annual membership dues for this 2021 calendar year. Karla Lubeck, the representative from the Association's marketing firm, reported that she was transferring \$1,998.75 from the Association's PayPal account to the Equity Bank account. The dollar amount in PayPal was from 2021 membership dues paid online. It was noted that Lubeck will send out an email to the membership to remind everyone to pay their membership dues if they haven't already done so.

Missouri Dairy Hall of Honors/Missouri Dairy Growth Council—Chairman Jon Bebermeyer stated that the annual meeting was conducted in June and there will be nominations accepted for this year's awards. Nominations need to be sent in by calendar year end. The board members discussed that now is the time to talk about who the Association would like to nominate in preparation to vote on it at the 2021 MDPA Fall Meeting. The awards luncheon is scheduled for January 20, 2022, with a \$15.00 fee per attendee. Bebermeyer reported the committee has \$163,000 on the books and has finished their annual audit. He also reported the endowment stood at \$56,000, with scholarships earmarked to be awarded.

<u>Legislative</u>—Chairman Chris Hackman announced that this year's session was a repeat of last year in regards to raw milk issues. Hackman was happy to announce that the SMB is fully funded for the next fiscal term.

<u>Auditor</u>— The board discussed the current open Auditor role and ideas to nominate a member to fill the role. Benefiel made a motion to nominate Bebermeyer as Auditor. Hackman seconded the motion and the majority voted in favor to elect Bebermeyer as the new Auditor. Bebermeyer recommended Joe Brinker of Dairy Farmers of America to fill the role of the Missouri Dairy Hall of Honors/Missouri Dairy Growth Council representative.

<u>Old Business/New Business</u>—President Dorrian called for any Old Business. There being none, he called for any New Business. Vice President Greg Helbig announced that with the retirement of Gene Wiseman of SMB, they had selected his replacement and a notification would be released soon.

President Dorrian called for any further business. There being none, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Benefiel
Interim Executive Secretary/Treasurer