



2014 ANNUAL FALL BOARD AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Hilton Promenade Hotel

Branson, Missouri

October 17, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Benefiel who welcomed all members that were present.

President Benefiel asked for a roll call. Secretary/Treasurer Ray Silvey reported that a quorum had been met.

A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the spring meeting and that the minutes stand as approved as received through an e-mail. The motion carried.

Secretary Silvey gave the Treasurer's report and reported that as of October 14th, the checking account balance was \$33,470.71.

Committee Reports:

Audit—The audit committee chairman position was vacant. Motion was made and seconded to appoint Doug Pratt as chairman of the committee. The motion carried.

Missouri Hall of Honors—Chairman Steve Davis gave a report and Dr. Robert Marshall reported that it was time to present nominations for the various honor awards and especially the leadership award. Dr. Marshall also announced that membership to the organization was \$50.00 for those wanting to join.

Gary Aggus made a motion, which was seconded, to nominate Ed Mullins for the Leadership Award. The motion carried.

Missouri Dairy Growth Council—Chairman Steve Davis reported that the state is attempting to stimulate milk production as production is declining.

Legislative—Chairman Chris Hackman reported that the Dairy Bill had passed House but it was vetoed by the Governor and there were not enough votes to overturn the veto. He said it was a good Bill and that it might possibly be brought back. It was reported that Dairy Farmers of America had put equity into the effort.

Membership—Secretary/Treasurer Silvey reported that the Association currently had fourteen Regular members and eighty-three Associate members.

Scholarship—Chris Hackman and Doug Pratt gave a report and then Brent McCauley of the University of Missouri expressed his thanks on behalf of the University for the Association’s financial support. He also passed out a list of the past University’s scholarship recipients.

Correspondence—Ron Benefiel and Ray Silvey reported on letters received from Kansas State University, Missouri University and students.

Old Business—President Benefiel called for any old business, there being none, he called for new business. Kathy Broniecki reported on the new website and that several e-mails had been “kicked” back. An effort will be made to bring the membership list up to date. She also announced that individual companies could have their company name listed on the website which would cost \$100. Motion was made and seconded to approve this action. The motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the 2015 fall meeting. A motion was made and seconded to hold the meeting again in Branson at the same hotel. The motioned carried. The meeting will be held on October 15 and 16.

President Benefiel asked if there was any further new business to discuss, there being none, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray N. Silvey
Secretary/Treasurer