



## Minutes of MDPA Fall Meeting 2024

President Greg Helbig called the meeting to order on Friday, October 4, 2024, at 8:15 a.m. Helbig welcomed all guests and members, asked for a roll call, and Secretary/Treasurer Bill Wilberding announced a quorum had been met to conduct business and hold a vote. Helbig asked for a vote to approve meeting minutes from the 2024 Spring Meeting. He explained to the members that a copy of the minutes from the Spring 2024 meeting resides on the MDPA website for review. The minutes were approved.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer**—Secretary/Treasurer Bill Wilberding presented the group with the Secretary/Treasurer's report, stating that the current checking account balance was \$59,045.14. He noted the Spring and Fall Meetings were \$1,000 to the good and that the MDPA paid out \$10,500 in scholarships in 2024. Wilberding also reported that a US Bank account was opened and would be in use before the 2025 Spring Meeting and that W9 forms have been issued to those requesting.

**Correspondence**—No report was presented.

**Audit**—Vice President Joe Brinker reported for Board Member Jon Bebermeyer that he had audited and approved the financial transactions.

**Missouri Dairy Hall of Honors**—Helbig asked for nominations and Joe Brinker nominated Jon Bebermeyer. Helbig mentioned that if there were any other nominations, they would need to be submitted by the end of November 2024.

**Membership**—It was reported that there are currently 84 MDPA members on the mailing list and 35 paid memberships (23 Suppliers and 12 Processors).

**Legislative**— Tony Benz representing The Benz Group, LLC, gave a lobby and political update for Missouri.

**Scholarship**—Board Member Pete Hood reported the Kansas State University fundraiser outing raised \$2,650.

**Old Business/New Business**—Helbig called for any old business. With there being none, Helbig called for any new business. It was announced that the 2025 MDPA Fall Meeting will be held October 2-3, 2025, or October 9-10, 2025, at the Hilton Promenade Hotel in Branson, Missouri. Helbig announced the updated Slate of Officers for 2025, with Joe Brinker replacing Greg Helbig as President, Pete Hood replacing Joe Brinker as Vice President, and Greg Helbig replacing Pete Hood as Board Member. A motion was made and seconded.

With no further business, a motion was made and seconded to conclude the business meeting at 8:50 a.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Helbig  
President