

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY MIKE STRAIN, COMMISSIONER



MINUTES

LOUISIANA EQUINE PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD MEETING JUNE 02, 2022

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM 5825 FLORIDA BOULEVARD, 1ST FLOOR BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70806

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held in-person and was called to order by Dr. Neely Heidorn at 10:03 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Neely Heidorn led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Dr. Neely Heidorn.

Members present:

Dr. Neely Heidorn, Jim Gauthier, Sky Wright, Marc Browning, Dr. Bill Davis, Whitney Boyce, Anita Hefler, Lyle Guillory, Roger Heitzmann, Raegan Comeaux, Bernard Chatters, Edwin Fenasci

Members absent:

Lt. Governor Bill Nungesser, Dr. Frank Andrews, John Boudreaux, Dr. Ron Harrell

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Lyle Guillory to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Dr. Bill Davis. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed more possible funding opportunities, future events and budget approval during the Legislative Session.

Dr. Neely Heidorn reminded board members to complete the Sexual Harassment Training program.

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Kevin Wofford discussed using the LDAF Market Bulletin to inform the public of the newly created Equine Board. Suggested writing an article detailing what the Equine Board is about, its intentions and plans and inform the public of the newly created License Plate for the Equine Board.

A motion was made by Marc Browning to create a form for the funding application. The motion was seconded by Sky Wright. This motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed the updates on the funding from the Legislature for the next fiscal year, (\$200K).

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed that Senator Cloud presented a bill for license plates. Minimum of 1,000 orders required before printing. \$50 for plate - \$25 for Board proceeds, if bill passes.

Kevin Wofford advised to reach out to Dr. Ron Harrell with Farm Bureau for direction to proceed with license plates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday July 25, 2022 – 10:00AM

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Sky Wright to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Marc Browning. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.