



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY

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TENATIVE MINUTES

LOUISIANA EQUINE PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD MEETING JULY 25, 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, Sky Wright, Marc Browning, Dr. Bill Davis, Anita Hefler, Bernard Chatters, Edwin Fenasci, John Boudreaux and Dr. Ron Harrell

Members absent:

Lt. Governor Bill Nungesser, Jim Gauthier, Dr. Frank Andrews, Whitney Boyce, Raegan Comeaux, Lyle Guillory and Roger Heitzmann

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Blanchard introduced himself and offered to help the board anyway he can to get the message out to the various organizations and the public.

Scott Perry, Enforcement Director for the Livestock Brand Commission discussed the Brand Commission reinstating its saddle microchipping program and where the upcoming free event will be taking place in Folsom, LA.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Sky Wright to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Marc Browning. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed the methods of getting the message out about the grant applications to the public, such as radio, tv, press releases, interviews, Farm Bureau media news release and article in Market Bulletin.

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OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed the grant application and guidelines.

John Boudreaux discussed the timeline on distributing the grant money.

Dr. Neely Heidorn discussed the money being spent by February so the data can be collected by June 30, 2023.

Kevin Wofford discussed that once the money has been awarded, the entity must abide by the Parish laws and guidelines for purchasing.

A motion was made by Dr. Bill Davis to approve the Grant Application; motion seconded by Sky Wright. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday August 24, 2022 – 10:00AM

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Dr. Bill Davis to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sky Wright. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.