

Canadian Young Farmers' Forum
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 09, 2009
Teleconference

Attendees

Rod Scarlett	Ian Richardson
Leona Dargis	Chris Kletke
Benoit Martin	Ryan Weeks
Shawna Ference	Justin Beck

Regrets

Joe Dickenson
Ryan Anderson

1. Call to order at 7:04 A.M. (10:34 Newfoundland time)
2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Additions

Add CAHRC

Moved by Chris Kletke

Seconded by Leona Dargis

That the agenda be accepted as amended

Carried

3. Approval of the January 26, 2009 Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

Moved by

Seconded by

That the Minutes of January 26, 2009 Board of Directors' meeting be approved

Carried

4. Business Arising

Work plan update:

Ian reported on a meeting with Johanne Metayer about the work plan. A discussion took place and it was resolved that Rod Scarlett do a re-write and distribute to the Board. Add some information on "aboriginal farmers" to the work plan and how they can be involved – i.e. communications, presentations. Rod Scarlett to have it delivered by Friday, March 13, 2009.

Summit

Brief update.

Newsletter

Provincial groups can be asked about reports to newsletter. Board to provide reports in the next 2 weeks.

Committee Updates

Communications Committee

Committee has been communicating through e-mail and is waiting for AAFC Funding Agreement before proceeding with print of CYFF materials.

Special Events

Fundraising

All committees are awaiting word of funding.

Rod to follow up with Judy Shaw of Syngenta on sponsorship as soon as Chris provides contact information.

5. New Business

* Newfoundland Application

Moved by Chris Kletke

Seconded by Shawna Ference

That the Newfoundland application be approved.

Carried

* 4H AGM

Ryan Weeks will be asked to attend

* Co-op Federation

Benoit Martin reported that Mr. Blackburn from Co-op Federee wanted to do cross Canada consultation with Young Farmers. He will report on new information.

* Standing Committee

Mark Eyking asked for a meeting possibly with the Standing Committee. Rod Scarlett to contact Eyking about his request with the meeting.

* CWB Scholarships

Rod Scarlett to confirm scholarship information.

* FCC Update

New update on contract. Rod Scarlett to continue work on the contract

* CWB Update

Chris Kletke reported on meeting with CWB. Scholarship money was re-distributed to Grain World participation. CWB looking to have an individual responsible for file. Chris Kletke had lengthy conversation about CYFF joining GGC.

* Sponsorship

Finance Committee needs to discuss opportunities. We need to ensure that existing partners are happy with the relationship.

* Summit

Summary to be drafted and overview given to Summit sponsors.

* IICA Leadership Forum – May 11 – 15, 2009

Leona Dargis, Shawna Ference, Justin Beck are interested. Interest to be expressed by Friday, March 13, 2009.

* CAHRC

Looking for participation for an active member. Tabled for next meeting.

6. Financial Report

Justin Beck, Ian Richardson and Rod Scarlett will look after the last bit of the fiscal year.

7. Board Reports

Chris Kletke

Ran for 2nd Vice Chairman of CFA. Participated on GG conference call on March 6, 2009. He asked about participation at committee level for national organization. Tabled until face-to-face.

Leona Dargis

Will be attending Saskatchewan SYF meeting

President's Report

Ian Richardson attended CFA meeting. Attended Moncton farm show with Ryan Weeks and Justin Beck. Joe Dickenson will attend JFO AGM.

Ryan Weeks

Met with President of Outstanding Young Farmers, and they are interested in working together. Richard Stamp is new President.

Justin Beck

Going to NYFF for their AGM.

Shawna Ference

Attended "Rock the Farm".

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Possibly April 6 & 7, 2009 in Montreal

9. Adjournment

Moved to adjourn by RyanWeeks

