



STATE OF IDAHO

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IDAHO SHEEP AND GOAT HEALTH BOARD

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The regular meeting of the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board was held June 8, 2023, at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture Lower 1 & 2 Conference Room 2270 Old Penitentiary Rd, Boise, ID 83712. The meeting was called to order by chairperson, Steve Wilder, at 9:02 a.m.

Roll was called by Steve Wilder. The following board member and guests were present. Steve Wilder, Chairperson, Dr. Tony Parsons, Board Member, Carol Finney, Board Member, David Dalling, Board Member, John Peterson, President Idaho Wool Growers, Liz Wilder, Executive Director Idaho Wool Growers, Patxi Larrocea-Phillips, Director of Governmental Affairs Idaho Wool Growers Association, Dr. Scott Liebsle, Idaho State Veterinarian, Kelly Nielson, ISDA, and Dr. Kelly Scheuer, MPH, DVM, Epidemiology Office, Idaho.

Tony Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Kelly Nielson presented a financial report. He explained how the Idaho Sheep and goat Health Board is funded through the General Fund and the Sheep and Goat Health Board Fund. The board is financially sound.

Steve Wilder provided a chairperson report. Mike Secrest's 2nd term ends on January 1, 2024, and is not eligible for another term. David Dalling's 1st term ends on January 1, 2024, and is eligible for a second 6 year term. The Idaho Wool Growers Association will renominate the expiring positions to the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board at their next board meeting on November 2, 2023.

Liz Wilder provided a report on the programs support contract funded by the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board. The contract began on March 10 and ends on June 9, 2023. A survey was distributed to Idaho sheep and goat producers to determine their health related needs. Liz provided a report on the survey results to date. Additional programming completed included a factsheet template for sheep and goat diseases and a health resources page on the Idaho Wool Growers website. A continuation of the program support proposal was presented to continue programming from June 9 to September 8, 2023. Tony Parsons made the motion to approve the contract. Motion passed unanimously.

Patxi Larrocea-Phillips provided a Legislative Report on the 2023 legislative session. A few items to note that may affect the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board include H206a and H170a.

Dr. Kelly Scheuer gave a report on Idaho's Scrapie status. Idaho's Fiscal Year 23 minimum sampling requirement is 452 for sheep and 56 for goats. As of the end of April, 418 sheep samples have been submitted and 54 goat samples have been submitted. IdaHound is officially an RSSS site for Scrapie sampling and is providing samples for Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, and Montana. Questions regarding where to purchase scrapie tags and how to get scrapie tags were asked. The Idaho Wool Growers Association will be adding this information to the Health Resources page on their website. VSF has been found in California. Dr. Scheuer and Dr. Leibsle shared how it is spread and the risk factor for sheep and goats.

Dr. Scott Leibsle gave a report on the upcoming antibiotic rule changes. As of June 11, 2023, antibiotics will no longer be available over-the-counter. Antibiotics have to be obtained through a veterinarian or with a

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valid VCPR. FDA GFI 263 has more resources and information. Dr. Leibsle shared an update on the Idaho Rural Veterinarian Taskforce. The task force's goal is to help incentivize veterinarians to work in rural, large animal areas to help production animal. The task force has presented to the state legislators and at this time, no legislation is being ran. Rural veterinarians continue to be an increasing need area for production animal producers across the state. To date, ISDA has maintained the sheep and goat section on the ISDA website and the entry permitting database. The online entry permit system is offered for sheep and goats coming into the state.

Liz Wilder presented a proposal for the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board to sponsor the Sheep Health track at the West Central States Wool Growers Convention. Tony made motion to sponsor the full \$2,500 amount. Motion passed.

An update was presented on the Campylobacter vaccine. To date, 17,650 doses have been sold and 32,350 doses are remaining. Liz Wilder has a meeting with the Animal Health Laboratories to discuss the vaccine timeline and expiration. David made motion to talk to Dr. Darwin Yoder about working together to build a vaccine. Motion passed unanimously.

Tony moved to approve chairman Steve Wilder's travel forms. Motion passed unanimously. Tony moved for Steve Wilder to remain Chairman of the Idaho Sheep & Goat Health Board and David Dalling to remain Vice Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Tony moved to enter an executive session. For the following reason: to consider personnel matters. The board voted as follows: Steve, Aye; Tony, Aye; Carol, Aye; David, Aye. The board adjourned to an Executive Session at 11:52 am. The executive session adjourned at 12:48 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.