

North Carolina Industrial Hemp Commission

MINUTES

January 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Telephone / Internet Conference Call

Commissioners in attendance:	Other official attendees:
Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair	Phil Wilson, Plant Industry Division, NCDA&CS
Chief Tony Godwin	Anne Brown, Department of Justice
Mr. Billy McLawhorn	Jon Lanier, Asst. General Counsel, NCDA&CS
Sherriff Tim Manning	Jayne Kizer, NCSU
Mr. Fen Rascoe	Beth Farrell, Ag Programs Specialist, NCDA&CS
Dr. Guochen Yang	

Call to Order – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*

Statement Concerning Conflicts of Interest – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*

Vice-Chairman **Stewart** read the statement concerning conflicts of interest and asked members to identify any potential conflicts of interest.

Commissioner **Yang** noted conflict of interest with Application #803 (Sanjun Gu). Vice-Chairman **Stewart** noted conflict of interest with Application #796 (Martin Kelly McLeod).

Recognition of Conference Call – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*

Vice-Chairman **Stewart** expressed the necessity of each speaker identifying himself each time they speak on the call.

Roll Call of Attendees – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*

Vice-Chairman **Stewart** initiated a roll call to determine if a quorum of Commissioners were present. Six Commissioners as listed above were in attendance meeting the requirement of a quorum.

Industrial Hemp Program Update – *Mr. Phil Wilson, Director, Plant Industry Division, NCDA&CS*

Vice-Chairman **Stewart** called on Phil Wilson, Plant Industry Division, N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to provide a program update.

- **Mr. Wilson** – Reported that as of January 30, 2019, North Carolina has 502 licensed industrial hemp growers, representing 6,381.88 licensed acres and 2,876,914 square feet of licensed greenhouse production. There are currently 337 processors registered with the Plant Industry Division.
 - Commissioner **Godwin** asked how the program was going and if there were any concerns. Mr. **Wilson** noted that there is a large number of applications being submitted and asked applicants for patience as there has been a lot of interest in the program.

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Commissioner **Godwin** expressed appreciation for staff efforts and noted awareness of some of the challenges.

- Commissioner **Rascoe** encouraged those with questions to communicate with staff via email at industrialhemprequests@ncagr.gov.
- Vice-Chairman **Stewart** noted how it is easier to respond to requests when they follow existing channels; Mr. **Wilson** shared that the fastest way to connect with staff is via the email.
- Vice-Chairman **Stewart** requested that potential applicants register online. These applications are then reviewed and presented to the Commission; appreciates the patience with this process.

Approval of Minutes from the January 7, 2019 meeting – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*

Vice-Chairman **Stewart** called for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve these minutes made by Commissioner **Manning** and seconded by Commissioner **McLawhorn**. Motion passed on a voice vote.

New Business

- Review and Approval of Research Pilot Program Applications – *Dr. Sandy Stewart, Vice-Chair*
 - Vice-Chairman **Stewart** read the names of the applications without conflict under consideration at this time: Tiffany Jacobs; Landon Scott Dail; Donald Milton Gray; Amy Catherine Hamilton; Robert Patrick Robbins; William Jeffery Simpson; Huneycutt Michael Adam; Larry Joseph Vargas; Kyle Becton Hardy; Alexander A. Guess; Mark Graham Ward; David Thomas Mcgee; Dorothy K Everette; Sue Braswell Vernon; Maria Bernadeth Christopher; Adam Joseph Brownell; James E McKnight; Everette Bridges; Tammy Butler Peterson; Harry Neil Moore; Herman Douglas Batten; Benjamin Seth Grandon; John Canty Melvin; James Edward Jones; William Todd Norville; Grace Carol Summers; Elizabeth Dabney MacLean; Bryan Richard Fleming; James Michael Pack; Pope Deleon Larry; Kyle Stotesberry Richard; Steve Michael Cox; Calvin Cornelius Mooney; Ronald Scott Glasscox; David Bryan Cox; Samuel F. Cox; Ron Ervin Cottle; Frank Cain Snow; Laura Ann Reid Livingston; John B. McEverett; Douglas Martin Foster; Eric Jefferson Pierce; Jessie Bryan Davis; Timothy Edwin Yarbrough; Thomas Fulton Wooten; William Norris Chapman; Anthony Gene Barefoot; Efferson Bass; Andrew Taylor Carson; Joey Michael Hocutt; John Wiley Carson; Bennie William Barwick; Samuel Taylor Carson; Blake Edward Currin; Chandler Tunstall Currin, Jr; William Earnest Dalrymple II; William Earnest Dalrymple, Sr.; Robert Curtis Davis; Gary Gene Dellinger; Frank Douglas Fowlkes II; Claude Elwood Hamlett Jr.; Barry Jennings Huffman; Dennie R. Martin; Joseph Thomas Pilgreen; Larry Garland Smith; Ronald Clayton Pridgen; Charles Bert Raby; Ron William Richmond; Alton Hardy Roberson; Robert Bruce Smith, III; April Hall Robertson; Christopher Jason Thomas; Gregory Allen Rouse; David Henry Rouson Jr.; Bradley Dwight Van Staaldulen; Craig William Vaughn; Edward Ronald Lunsford; Garland Wyatt Whitford, Jr.; William Allan Newton; Michael Eugene Wilson; and Guy Franklin Jones.

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