

Minutes

September 6, 2016

N. C. Board of Agriculture

Maurice K. Berry, Jr.

Mark Peters

Doug Boyd

Ben Shelton

Tommy Burleson

Bob Sutter

John William Carter, III

Jeffrey Turner

Anne Faircloth

Faylene Whitaker

Jim Lambeth

Steve Troxler, Chairman

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The September 6, 2016 Board of Agriculture meeting was held via conference call. Commissioner of Agriculture, Steve Troxler, called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. and read the Ethics Reminder. A roll call by Chrissy Waggett established there was a quorum. The following Board members participated in the call: Maurice Berry, Tommy Burleson, Billy Carter, Jim Lambeth, Mark Peters, Bob Sutter, and Jeff Turner.

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Commissioner Troxler asked Tina Hlabse, General Counsel, to give an explanation from the Ethics Commission regarding when a Board member needs to recuse themselves from voting. Tina explained that members can vote on rules that affect their industry but must recuse themselves if they, or their business will be directly benefitted.

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Jon Lanier, Assistant General Counsel, then presented the referendum request from the Corn Growers Association of North Carolina, Inc. They are seeking approval to conduct a referendum on February 22, 2017 to assess themselves at 1.25 cents per bushel, an increase from ¾ cent per bushel currently.

After some discussion on who conducts the referendum and collects the funds, Bob Sutter made the MOTION to approve the request as presented. The MOTION was seconded by Jeff Turner and passed unanimously.

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There being no further business to discuss, Jeff Turner made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting. The MOTION, seconded by Mark Peters passed unanimously. The meeting of the Board of Agriculture adjourned at 10:47 am.

Recorded and Prepared by:

Chrissy Waggett

Adopted by the Board this \_16th\_ day  
of \_November\_, 2016.



Steven W. Troxler

Commissioner of Agriculture

Chairman



Tina Hlabse

Secretary