

	Manitoba Sheep Association Board Meeting Minutes In Person Via Zoom	DATE: June 9, 2025
PRESENT: Ceri Phillips (Staff), Harold Bosma, Bethan Lewis, Simon Atkinson, Arik Lindal, Justin Robertson, Linda Fox (MB Ag)		
REGRETS: Ashley Nelson, Jonathan Nichol		
ABSENT:		
Affiliate Members:		
Mission Statement To initiate, support and conduct programs and activities designed to stimulate and improve the economic well-being of all segments of the Manitoba sheep industry.		
TOPIC	DECISION/ACTION	ACTION REQUIRED
1.0 Call to Order and Agenda Review	The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm Additions : Flock Health Signs <i>Moved by Harold Bosma and seconded by Bethan Lewis that the agenda be approved with the additions, Carried</i>	Motion & Approval
2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes	<i>Moved by Harold Bosma and seconded by Arik Lindal that the minutes be approved, Carried.</i>	Motion & Approval
3.0 Round Table Updates	Board members table discussion.	Taken as Information
4.0 Financial	4.1 Monthly Report	Motion & Approval
5.0 Office Mgr’s Report	Submitted.	Taken as Information
6.0 CSF Report	<u>Simon Atkinson</u> - Approval of the responsible status, negotiating terms with CCIA currently. AFFRATT Challenge- Letter writing campaign to lobby the ONT Ag Minster, to then go after farm product counsel to make it illegal for them to charge out of province lambs. OLEX is now adding an out of province sale fee.	

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7.0 Committee Representatives	Predation – Arik - No Report . KAP – Ingrid- No Report. MB Ag - New Website coming soon, if you have time to take a look at the current one and see if you see any additions needed or anything that could be taken away or is irrelevant please let Linda Fox know. MB Ag is bringing a booth to the Classic, MB Ag is donating \$2000.00 to the Classic. Ag in the Classroom event- MB Ag can help out, Linda is willing to pick up sheep to take to the event, every day runs for approx. 4 hours, they have a few volunteers to help each day but definitely could use more assistance. Water Testing- if your farm would like to be involved the deadline is June 24, 2025. Please contact Linda Fox for more information. MFGA – Ashley- No Report Classic 2025 - Bethan - over our sponsorship goal of \$20,000.00. The MSA is hosting the Shepherds Social, we will also be hosting the next gen presentation at the shepherds social. We are going to have one of the producers in person and the other via Zoom. 4-H will be able to have a booth on Thursday. Show and Sale - No Report Provincial Ex - No Report. MB Fibre- No report MB Stock Dogs- Bethan - No report CSBA- Bethan Lewis - No Report	
8.0 Old Business	8.0 Ag in the Classroom - The MSA board would like to be a part of the event, Ceri Phillips to send an email back to them accepting their invitation. The MB Ag team will help with the event. Need to get the MSA Trailer there and find some local friendly sheep for the children to enjoy. 8.1 Mission Statement - Discussion over the current one and the file Ceri P had sent out with other options, the board feels that the mission statement still stands and represents the organization as it stands. Motion: Harold Bosma makes the motion to retain our current mission statement with no adjustments. Seconder: Arik Lindal, Carried 8.2 Website - No funding can be found at this time, the quote for the website sits at \$6650.00 + GST. Our current website is very difficult to navigate and not user friendly, the administrative side of things is also difficult at this current time. The board feels it would be best to update our website with a new one. Motion: Bethan Lewis makes the motion to redo our website and add the google space to the back end for the board of directors in the amount of \$6650.00 +GST. Seconder: Harold Bosma, Carried	

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9.0 New Business**9.1 Classic Event-**

We will be hosting the Shepherds Social, We would like all the Directors to be there if possible.
Ceri P will take care of food orders etc.

9.2 Nex Gen

Review it, Do we need to change it in any way? Ceri P to come up with a few new options / changes and board members to also work on this.

9.3 Election Of Vice Chair-

Tabled

9.4 Director at Large Appointment

Board was tasked with nominating producers to fill the remaining term on the board in the position of director at large, Simon Atkinson and Bethan Lewis approached Shirley Harvey, she has a small farm and is very much involved in the wool production side of sheep farming, the board feels she would be a great fit and bring in the experience from the wool producers.

Motion made by Bethan Lewis to nominate Shirley Harvey to fill the term position of Director at Large. Second: Harold Bosma, Carried.

9.5 Director Gift

Director Gift (Hoodie) to be presented to Ingrid Stalman at our next AGM.

9.6 Name Tags

Ceri Phillips to reorder Simon Atkinson, Harold Bosmas & Shirley Harveys name tags.
Also added to the order 15 volunteer tags for the upcoming show.
Motion for Credit card approval, Simon A. & Bethan L.

9.7 Lobby the Minister

Tabled - Jonathan Nichol not in attendance

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10.0 Next Meeting	Next Meeting- July 14, 2025	
11.0 Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned by Bethan Lewis at 8:53pm	