

Minutes

Producer Committee Conference Call Meeting

May 4, 2015 9:00 a.m.
Milk Control Bureau Office
1225 8th Avenue, Helena, Montana

Conference Call Access:

Call-in Number: 1-866-740-1260
Access Number: 4445210#

Call to Order

Committee Chair David Miller called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Attendance

Committee Member	Present	Absent
David Miller, Chair	X	
Sam Hofer, Vice Chair	X	
Andrew Wipf, Secretary/Treasurer	X	
Loren Dyk	X	
Michael J. Hofer		X
Tim Huls	X	
Daron Kamerman		X
Nelson Kamerman	X	
Larry Klompfen		X
Jeremy Leep	X	
Walter Wipf	X	
Ruben Wurz		X

Montana Department of Livestock Staff:

Chad Lee, Bureau Chief, Milk Control Bureau
Mark Curtis, Dairy Accountant, Milk Control Bureau

Guests:

None

Approval of Minutes from October 23, 2014

Tim Huls moved and Loren Dyk seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2014 meeting as written. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.

New Business

Request to Transfer of Quota

Request: Griffin Dairy Inc. requested approval of sale and transfer of 15,963 lbs/day of quota to Moiese Valley Ranch, LLC with May 1, 2015 as the effective date of transfer.

Tim Huls moved and Andrew Wipf seconded the motion to approve the transfer of quota as requested by Griffin Dairy, Inc. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.

Other New Business

Chad Lee informed the committee that only one comment had been received from a producer in response to the Board of Milk Control's request for comments regarding the industry's interest in changing minimum price formulas. Mr. Lee stated that the Board of Milk Control will likely schedule a meeting on May 21st or 22nd and review comments at that meeting.

The committee discussed the change Milk Control Bureau's administrative assessment rate (an increase from \$0.025/cwt to \$0.04/cwt for producers, effective for production beginning on July 1, 2015). The committee also discussed the assessment for dairy inspection and sampling (Department of Livestock Milk & Egg Bureau) and news circulating through the dairy industry that the rate might be increased. Mr. Lee confirmed that the Department of Livestock is evaluating the possible need for an assessment rate adjustment for the Milk & Egg Bureau.

Mr. Lee discussed a spreadsheet developed by the Milk Control Bureau to estimate quota prices and offered to send it to any producer committee member who requested it.

The committee discussed the dairy market outlook for the coming months.

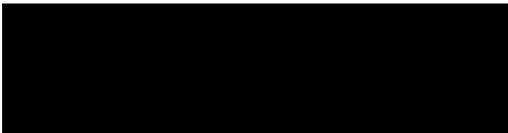
Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Tim Huls moved and Sam Hofer seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.



_____ David Miller, Producer Committee Chairman

Date: 7-7-15