



MINUTES
BOARD OF LIVESTOCK MEETING
July 10, 2015 Conference Call
1-866-740-1260
Helena, MT

Call to Order: Chair John Lehfeltdt, at 10:00 AM

Members Present:

John Lehfeltdt, Chair (sheep producer)
Jeffery Lewis (dairy producer)
Ed Waldner (swine producer)
John Scully (cattle producer)
Nina Baucus (cattle producer)
Lila Taylor (cattle producer)
Brett DeBruycker (cattle producer)

Staff Present:

Christian Mackay, Executive Officer
Sherry Rust, Board Secretary, minute taker
George Harris, Centralized Services

Public Present:

Errol Rice, Montana Stockgrowers Association
Chelsie Cramer, Montana Farm Bureau
Ann Miller, Montana Pork Producers Association
John Rouser, Montana Pork Producers Association

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10:05 AM Action Items: Two Budget Control Documents for Board approval.
1. \$18,000 to the Meat Inspection Bureau for final FY15 payment;
2. \$56,000 to the Diagnostic Laboratory for final FT15 payment.

10:25 AM **Motion/Vote:** Brett DeBruycker moved to transfer cash and authority \$18,000 to Meat Inspection from unused DSA funds. A written approval document will be obtained from the budget office authorizing this transfer. John Scully seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

10:30 AM **Motion/Vote:** John Scully moved to have Gary Hamel work with Christian Mackay to bring a Meat Inspection budget before the board that addresses the shortfall issue and the hiring of authorized new positions to

avoid a shortfall at the next fiscal year end. Ed Waldner seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

10:50 AM **Motion/Vote:** Lila Taylor moved to authorize the transfer of \$56,000 of DSA funds to the Diagnostic Laboratory to backfill the shortfall as proposed. Brett DeBruycker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

1055 AM **Motion/Vote:** John Scully move to have documentation of authority to use DSA funds. Lila Taylor seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

11:14 AM Nina Baucus moved to adjourn the meeting. Ed Waldner seconded. The meeting adjourned.

John Lehfeldt, Chair