

THE NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROTECTION PRODUCT HARMONIZATION AND REGISTRATION BOARD

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 26, 2019

A copy of the agenda was posted on the board by the elevators and outside the conference room.

The North Dakota Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board met on November 26, 2019 in the Sixth Floor Conference Room of the State Capitol in Bismarck.

Chairman Jeff Topp called the meeting to order at 1:00p.m. Board members in attendance included: Chairman Jeff Topp, North Dakota Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring, Representative Mike Brandenburg, Terry Weckerly, Troy Bassingthwaite, Dr. Greg Lardy, and Eric Lahlum.

Non-board members present for the meeting in person or via telephone included: Jerry Sauter (NDDA), Faye Wangen (NDDA), Dr. Venkata Chapara – NDSU, Dr. Brian Jenks – NDSU, Dr. Michael Wunsch – NDSU, and Don Wogsland – NDGGA.

3. **Approval of Minutes.** Commissioner Goehring moved to approve the minutes of the board meeting on April 18, 2019. The motion was seconded by Brandenburg. Motion carried.

4. **Minor Use Pesticide Fund Grant Budget Report.** Sauter provided a report on the minor use fund budget. There was a carryover of \$78,579.67 from the 2017-2019 biennium. The legislature appropriated \$325,000 for the 2019-2021 biennium. There were outstanding projects from the 2017-2019 biennium totaling \$77,274.50 leaving a net fund balance of \$326,305.17. Commissioner Goehring moved to receive and file report. The motion was seconded by Bassingthwaite. Motion carried.

5. **Pesticide Harmonization Grant Budget Report.** Sauter provided a report on the pesticide harmonization grant fund which pays for Board operating expenses and Harmonization grants. Legislative appropriation for the 2019-2021 biennium is \$75,000. There have been no expenditures at this time. Brandenburg moved to accept report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goehring to receive and file. Motion carried to receive and file.

6. **Reports on Previously Funded Minor Use Fund Projects.**

- I. Evaluation of crop tolerance to fall applied herbicides: Dr. Brian Jenks, NDSU.

Dr. Jenks gave his report over the phone. This was a one-year study to be continued 2018-2019 since label decisions cannot be based on one year of data. It appears that 2,4-D and dicamba could be applied safely in the fall prior to

planting dry pea or sunflower. There appears to be a much higher risk to lentil with dicamba and higher rates of 2,4-D.

- II. Survey and creating awareness on identification and management plan of clubroot canola in Northeast North Dakota: Dr. Venkataramana Chapara, NDSU.

Meetings on creating awareness of clubroot on canola and its management in various counties showed measurable improvement in growers understanding the disease. Several growers came forward to cooperate in clubroot management research. Phone calls and requests for personal visits to grower's fields increased. Knowledge of crop rotation, planting resistant varieties and sanitation implementation were the major topics of awareness meetings and these will be continued to safeguard canola production in North Dakota.

Dr. Chapara thanked the board for their generous funding.

Motion made by Commissioner Goehring to accept final reports for these two projects. Seconded by Terry Weckerly. Motion Carried.

7. Consideration of New Minor Use Fund Requests

- I. Optimizing the deployment of tank mixes with chlorothalonil for management of Ascochyta blight in chickpea: Dr. Michael Wunsch, NDSU.

Funds requested: \$35,810 to conduct studies on one Kabuli-type chickpea variety. Funding will be sought from the Northern Pulse Growers Association to repeat spray volume and spray droplet sizes with a second Kabuli-type chickpea variety and to conduct the spray droplet size study with Wilger tips at another location. Funding will also be sought from private companies to expand the testing of tank-mixes with chlorothalonil to include additional fungicides.

Motion made by Brandenburg to pay for this funding and that Wunsch will get matching funds. Seconded by Bassingthwaite. Average score is 85. Motion carried.

8. Consideration of New Pesticide Harmonization Grant Requests

- I. 2019 E-Tour Grant Application: Dan Wogsland, ND Grain Growers Association.

Wogsland thanked the CROP HARM board for funding.

Funds requested: \$39,133.13 consisting of food, travel, lodging, and advertising. The E-Tour will be June 22-26, 2020 based out of Bismarck.

Discussion held on the use of advertising done by Absolute Marketing out of Fargo which includes news media, filming and brochures. It was felt that there was good news coverage of the event.

Motion made by Brandenburg to pay for this funding. Seconded by Bassingthwaite. Motion carried.

9. Meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.