

South Dakota Brand Board  
Meeting Minutes  
April 26, 2017

The South Dakota Brand Board met on April 26, 2017. Members present were Wanda Blair, Bart Blum, Scott Vance, Lyla Hutchison and Myron Williams. Debbie Trapp, Dan Bothwell, Robert Haivala, Dani Hanson and Scott Rechtenbaugh were also present.

Pres. Blair called the meeting to order.

Motion by Williams to adopt the agenda, second by Blum. Motion carried.

Motion by Williams, to approve minutes of the February 8, 2017 Regular Meeting, second by Hutchison. Motion carried.

Trapp presented financial information for period ending March 31, 2017. Fund Balance - Brand Fund \$843,272.15; Brand Inspection Fund \$717,512.06 Theft and Prevention Fund \$143,709.02. Motion by Hutchison to approve Financial Report as of March 31, 2017 second by Williams. Motion carried.

Rechtenbaugh gave the DCI Report: Mosteller has accepted a new position as the Law Enforcement Training Administrator; Brett Spencer is the new Livestock Investigators Supervisor and Rechtenbaugh will be Spencer's supervisor; They plan on continue being proactive with road checks and working with brand inspectors.

Bothwell presented the Brand Inspection Report: March 2017 - Livestock Markets – 106,799 head; Locker Plants 347 head, Locals – 34,411 head, Lifetime Horse Permits – 39 head, for a total of 141,596 head. Total inspections year to date is 1,430,066 head. Ray Clements, Jr. has started working as the full time brand inspector in St. Onge.

Director's Report: Sympathy to Scott Vance and his family in the loss of his mother; Chad Cordell pled guilty to two class 2 misdemeanors; Chief Brand Inspector Bothwell, Livestock Investigator Stromer, Brand Inspectors LeCompte and Pritzkau, and myself attended a meeting with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe regarding the brand inspection program; Working on submitting a proposed change to the Fee and Bond Schedule which would have a sliding fee scale based on the number of head of livestock which left the brand inspection area with no inspection; the Brand Rerecord period will expire after May 1<sup>st</sup>; I will be attending the International Livestock Identification Conference July 16-19, 2017.

Director Trapp presented the draft of the State Board and Commission Members Code of Conduct. The final draft is to be reviewed at the Board of Internal Control's May meeting.

Open comments: None.

Hold Hearing BB #274 – Gordon Livestock: As no owner came forward to prove ownership of one paint mare, motion by Hutchison to escheat \$242.30 from Amount Held for Others to Unrestricted in the Theft and Prevention Fund, second by Vance. Motion carried.

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Hold Hearing BB #295 – Ft. Pierre Livestock: As no owner came forward to prove ownership of one black cow, motion by Williams to escheat \$467.52 from Amount Held for Others to Unrestricted in the Theft and Prevention Fund, second by Blum. Motion carried.

Next Brand Board meeting date was scheduled for June 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. CDT.

Motion by Hutchison to enter into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1 & 3) personnel and legal at 2:40 p.m., second by Vance. Motion carried. The meeting came out of executive session at 3:15 p.m.

Motion by Blum to adjourn the meeting, second by Hutchison. Motion carried.

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Wanda Blair, President

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Debbie Trapp, Executive Director

These minutes were filed for the record on \_\_\_\_\_.