



Utah Dairy Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

05/08/2025 10:40 AM MDT to 11:40 AM MDT

Herrett Center | 315 Falls Ave | Eccles/Frost Learning Lab | Twin Falls, ID 83301 and Draper Dairy West Office, 98 W. 13100 So., Draper, UT 84020

Attendees:

Utah Dairy Commissioners present:

Kaleb Bateman, Daniel Buttars, Chace Fullmer, Mitch Hancock, David Roberts, Sheila Sherwood, Trevor Wayment

Utah Dairy Commissioners absent:

Chet Hansen, Landon Wiser

Others present:

Lacey Papageorge, Crystal Wilson, Jenny Nelson, Logan Bown, Preston Roberts, Braden Munk

Attended via Zoom: Steve Doxey, Pam Fry

I. Call to Order

Chairman David Roberts called the UDC meeting to order at 10:45 AM MT. Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Roberts called for any amendments to the agenda and if none, a motion to approve. Commissioner Sheila Sherwood moved to approve the agenda without amendment. Commissioner Chace Fullmer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Roberts called for any corrections to the March 13, 2025 Joint Meeting minutes and if none a motion to approve. Commissioner Sherwood moved to approve the March 13, 2025, Joint Meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Daniel Buttars seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Roberts called for any corrections to the March 13, 2025, UDC Meeting minutes and if none a motion to approve. Commissioner Kaleb Bateman moved to approve the March 13, 2025 UDC Meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Fullmer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Utah Dairy Commission Expenses and Financial Update (Jan - Feb 2025)

Jenny Nelson (Interim CEO, Dairy West) presented expenditures and financials for January - February 2025. Ms. Nelson stood for questions.

Chairman Roberts called for a motion to ratify and approve the financial reports and expenditures for January - February 2025. Commissioner Sherwood moved to ratify and approve the financial reports and expenditures for January - February 2025. Commissioner Trevor Wayment seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Utah Production and Funding of Dairy West

Production report given as part of financials.

VI. 2025 Utah Dairy Commission Election Update

Chairman Roberts gave an update on the upcoming Utah Dairy Commission Election. Seats up for reelection are within District II and District III. Nomination period has closed. Ballots should be arriving soon if they haven't yet. Commissioner Kaleb Bateman's name was not submitted for the ballot for District II before the ballots were mailed out. Therefore, the farmers have been directed to write his name in if they would like to vote for him. For District III, Commissioner Sheila Sherwood is running for re-election.

There was some conversation around realigning the districts in Utah in the future.

VII. Open Discussion: Future Checkoff Priorities

Chairman Roberts suggested the Programming Update video that was shown in the Joint Board Meeting be broken up into shorter segments and shared out a couple segments at a time in future newsletters and added to the Dairy West website for more farmers to have the opportunity to watch.

Commissioner Sherwood opened discussion with the board regarding the opt out letter that is mailed out in January. There was conversation around how much Dairy West can do with regards to reaching out to farmers who opt out as that is something that Dairy Producers of Utah (DPU) manages. Lacey Papageorge (Manager - Farmer Relations, Dairy West) was able to pull the list of who all have opted out; there were 3 names which was down from the previous year.

Commissioner Fullmer expressed concern around quality control at processor plants; Meadow Gold specifically. He urged the board to be vocal when it comes to quality control with product being shipped out.

Ms. Papageorge presented to the board a historical Governor's Award list she came across. Ms. Papageorge let the board know she could not find this list anywhere online and

therefore asked the board if they would like these names added to the Hall of Fame Award list, with the notation that they were a Governor's award recipient. Chairman Roberts made a motion to add the recipients of past Governor's Awards to the Hall of Fame list. Commissioner Sherwood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Roberts asked Logan Bown to share his thoughts on the tour he took with the ambassador class to the Glanbia plant the day prior. Mr. Bown enjoyed learning about the processing side of the industry as it was not something he previously had much knowledge about.

VIII. Chairman's Report

No report given

X. Adjourn

Chairman Roberts called for a motion to adjourn the Utah Dairy Commission meeting. Commissioner Buttars moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Fullmer seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:34 AM MT.

XI. Additional Meeting Resources

Zoom video conferencing technology was employed and operational during the Utah Dairy Commission Meeting. The meeting was recorded.

Chairman/Vice Chairman

Secretary