

AG ADVISORY BOARD

The Agricultural Advisory Board is to be composed of the following **21 members**:

1. **Dean of the College of Agriculture and Applied Science** from Utah State University
2. Appointed by the commissioner:
 - two representatives of associations representing interests of **farmers**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least two associations representing farmers
 - a representative of an association representing **cattlemen**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing cattlemen
 - one representative of an association representing **wool growers**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing wool growers
 - one representative of an association representing **dairies**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing dairies
 - one representative of an association representing **pork producers**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing pork producers
 - one representative of **egg and poultry producers**
 - one representative of an association representing **veterinarians**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing veterinarians
 - one representative of an association representing **livestock auctions**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing livestock auctions
 - one representative of an association representing **conservation districts**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing conservation districts
 - one representative of the **Utah horse industry**
 - one representative of the **food processing industry**
 - one representative of the **fruit and vegetable industry**
 - one representative of the **turkey industry**
 - one representative of **manufacturers of food supplements**
 - one representative of a **consumer affairs group**
 - one representative of **urban and small farmers**
 - one representative of an association representing **elk breeders**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing elk breeders
 - one representative of an association representing **beekeepers**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing beekeepers
 - one representative of **fur breeders**, selected from a list of nominees submitted by at least one association representing fur breeders

Duties and Responsibilities:

The Agricultural Advisory Board shall:

- Advise the commissioner regarding the planning, implementation, and administration of the department's programs; and the establishment of standards governing the care of livestock and poultry, including consideration of food safety; local availability and affordability of food; and acceptable practices for livestock and farm management
- Adopt best management practices for sheep, swine, cattle, and poultry industries in the state.
- The Agricultural Advisory Board may adopt best management practices for domesticated elk, mink, apiaries, and other agricultural industries in the state.

Terms of Service:

Except as required by Subsection (1)(a) or (5)(b), members of the Agricultural Advisory Board are appointed by the commissioner to **four-year terms** of office.

- Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (5)(a), the commissioner shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms of board members are staggered so that approximately half of the board is appointed every two years.
- A member may be removed at the discretion of the commissioner upon the request of the group the member represents.
- When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the commissioner shall appoint a replacement for the unexpired term.

The Agricultural Advisory Board shall **elect one member to serve as chair** of the Agricultural Advisory Board for a **term of one year**.

The Agricultural Advisory Board shall meet **twice a year** but may meet more often at the discretion of the chair.

- Attendance of 11 members at a duly called meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of official business.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee of the Agricultural Advisory Board consisting of the following **seven members** selected from members of the Agricultural Advisory Board:

- two representatives of associations representing interests of **farmers** (Subsection (1)(b)(i))
- one representative of an association representing **conservation districts** (Subsection (1)(b)(ix))
- four members selected from the Agricultural Advisory Board as follows:
 - Initial members of the executive committee, by the commissioner
 - After the initial members of the executive committee are selected, by the executive committee

Duties and Responsibilities:

The executive committee shall meet **at least quarterly**, except that the chair of the executive committee may call the executive committee for additional meetings.

The executive committee shall recommend to the department fees to be imposed, accept public comment, and carry out the responsibilities assigned to the executive committee by statute.

The executive committee shall **annually select a chair of the executive committee**.

Terms of Service:

A member of the executive committee shall serve a **term of four years** on the executive committee.

A member of the executive committee may serve for more than one term on the executive committee.

Four members of the executive committee constitute a quorum and an action of the majority present when a quorum is present is action by the executive committee.