**ILLINOIS CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a Meeting**

**Held January 16, 2018**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Corn Growers Association was held at the Illinois Corn office in Bloomington, Illinois on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Aron Carlson, President.

 Those present were:

 Justin Durdan Ted Mottaz

 Randy DeSutter Aron Carlson

 Don Guinnip

 Also present were:

 Jim Tarmann Kayla Veeder

 Kenny Hartman

***Business Services Committee Meeting***

The Business Services Committee met last Wednesday and came up with some recommendations for replacing our current benefits package for employees. We will discuss this in more detail during the joint board meeting with ICMB today.

***New Board Member Orientation***

Kate Danner, Garrett Hawkins and Keith Sanders were at the office on December 20 for their new board member orientation. Each new member will be assigned a tenured mentor to help them get acclimated.

***Ag Legislative Day***

Ag Legislative Day will be on April 11 this year. We will be assigned to visits with legislators. The event is a little later than usual this year but we will work to get some staff and directors to the event.

***2018 PAC Committee Assignments***

Aron Carlson has approved the following 2018 PAC assignments:

 Larry Walsh-District 1

 Mike Homerding-District 11

 Henry Kallal-District 13

 Chris Gould-District 14

 Ron Gray-District 15

 Tom Mueller-District 17

 Steve Pigg-District 18

***NCGA Priorities and Emerging Issues Meeting***

Aron Carlson attended the meeting. There was a lot of strategic planning. At some point we need to hold off on planning and start having some action.

***Corn Congress-Anaheim***

The Commodity Classic will be in Anaheim, California this year. Policy group leaders will be reviewing our proposed resolutions again, as well as proposed resolutions from other states in preparation for our caucus before the first session of Corn Congress.

***March DC Visits***

We will be going to Washington, DC for Hill visits on March 11-14.

Jeff Jarboe has made the decision to resign his director position on ICGA, effective immediately.

 **It was moved by Ted Mottaz and seconded by Marty Marr**

 **THAT we accept Jeff Jarboe’s resignation.**

 **The motion carried.**

 **It was moved by Justin Durdan and seconded by Marty Marr**

 **THAT the meeting of the Executive Committee be adjourned.**

 **The motion carried.**

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 Don Guinnip, Secretary