

ILLINOIS CORN MARKETING BOARD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Minutes of a Meeting
Held March 8, 2017**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Corn Marketing Board was held at the Illinois Corn office in Bloomington, Illinois on Wednesday, March 8, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 am by Jim Raben, Chairman.

Those present were:

Jim Raben	Roger Sy
Tom Mueller	Mark Wilson
Dirk Rice	Dan Cole
Pat Dumoulin	Don Duvall

Also present were:

Lindsay Mitchell	Rodney Weinzierl
Jim Tarmann	Phil Thornton
Dave Loos	

Goal Review

The committee reviewed the Industrial Committee and Export Committee goals that will be reviewed and replaced at this meeting. Depending on time, this process may be completed at the June 2017 meeting.

Corn Congress/Commodity Classic Review

The committee reviewed opportunities to improve the Commodity Classic in future years.

The board members would like confirmation numbers for hotel rooms. ICMB wonders if a link to Corn Congress registration could be included in the Commodity Classic process.

The committee really enjoyed the new NCGA booth and felt it was more inviting.

Executive Programs & Communication Plan

It was moved by Don Duvall and seconded by Mark Wilson

THAT we approve the following executive programs for FY17:

Master Showmanship	\$250
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The motion carried.

It was moved by Dirk Rice and seconded by Roger Sy

THAT we approve the following Communications Plan programs for FY17:

General Corn Brochures \$4,500

The motion carried.

NCGA Syngenta Leadership Academy & Advanced Leadership

The Chairman will appoint a farmer leader from the ICMB board to participate in the Leadership Academy.

Budget Process for 2017 – 2018

The committee reviewed a revised budget process for FY18.

June – approve administrative, income budgets, committee budgets, & draft overall budget

July – approve overall budget

August – funding presentation from USGC, NCGA, ICGA

December – funding presentation from USMEF, USAPEEC

Past Director Event

ICMB will host a past director event on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 for all past leaders of the organization. IL Corn will also invite past directors to an “update” session for them to get refreshed on ICMB and ICGA projects.

ICMB Director Petitions

The statute requires either 200 signatures or 5 percent of the district to run as a ICMB Director. We have investigated opening the law and making technical corrections to portions like this, but past ICMB boards have not decided to proceed. The committee will bring this discussion to the full board.

NCGA/USGC Leadership Positions

When ICMB leaders run for national leadership positions the board needs to “bless” the candidates, knowing that they are agreeing to cover expenses until the end of the national leadership term.

It was moved by Dirk Rice, seconded by Mark Wilson

THAT ICMB will cover additional expenses not already covered by US Grains Council for Jim Raben, should he be elected to US Grains Council secretary.

The motion carried.

Jim Raben abstained from the vote.

It was moved by Mark Wilson, seconded by Dirk Rice

THAT ICMB will cover additional expenses not already covered by US Grains Council for Tom Mueller, should he be elected to US Grains Council corn sector chairman.

The motion carried.

Tom Mueller abstained from the vote.

It was moved by Don Duvall and seconded by Mark Wilson

THAT the meeting of the Executive Committee be adjourned.

The motion carried.

Roger Sy, Secretary