

# Association of Alberta Co-op Seed Cleaning Plants Ltd.

## Minutes of the 65th Annual Meeting

January 17-19, 2018

The Westin Hotel, Edmonton Alberta

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018

#### **OPENING**

President Dave Bishop called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. and welcomed all participants. Wendy Coppock led the assembly in the singing of the National Anthem "O Canada".

#### **INVOCATION**

Ross Bezovie (Director Region 5) delivered the invocation. He then recognized managers & employees of plants for the work they do. A moment of silence was observed for those members lost in the past year and in remembrance of those who have gone before us.

#### **GREETINGS FROM THE SEED ANALYSTS**

Morgan Webb, President of the Commercial Seed Analysts Association of Canada (CSAAC) brings greeting from their group. The Association's website contains current procedures for testing and printable versions of grade tables. [www.seedanalysts.ca](http://www.seedanalysts.ca) Standardization of the vigour test is a key activity of the Association

#### **GREETINGS FROM ALBERTA SEED GROWERS**

Ward Oatway, President of the Alberta Seed Growers Association brought greetings from his group. This year there were 345,000 acres of seed inspected in Alberta ASG is also talking about a bigger role in government matters such as fusarium awareness and management techniques. With fusarium continuing to spread we look forward to providing farmers with a full toolbox of management strategies to cope with the disease. As organizations work together we prioritize communicating with stakeholders. Only with direct communication can we find progress

#### **GREETINGS FROM ALBERTA GOVERNMENT**

Honorable, Oneil Carlier Minister Alberta Agriculture & Forestry Addressed the Assembly. We (Alberta Government) know how important agriculture is to a strong and diverse economy. We are working on a new agricultural partnership with federal counterparts.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Dave Bishop presented the agenda.

**MOTION:** "That the agenda be approved as presented".

Moved by Todd McCann of County of Lethbridge (Coaldale) seconded by Elwin Dziwenka of Vegreville.

**CARRIED**

**OPENING ADDRESS**

Dave Bishop highlighted agenda topics. Regional Elections for regions 1 & 2 will take place. He also thanked the Manager’s Association for last evening’s reception & fun casino. He showed appreciation to the three associate members Bayer, BASF & Syngenta. Bishop thanked all sponsors and exhibitors for their support and sponsorship.

Parliamentarian this year is John McBain (Past President), from Mountain View (Carstairs)

**INTRODUCTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SPOUSES**

Dave Bishop introduced the board as follows:

**Board of Directors**

Region 1	Dave Bishop (self)
Region 2	Kelly Wheeler
Region 3	Tom Coppock
Region 4	Dan Brachmann
Region 5	Ross Bezovie
Region 6	Charlie Martin
Region 7	Hector Ouellette
Manager Assoc. President	Joe Hanson
Manager Assoc. Secretary/Treasurer	Blair Peregrym
General Manager	Monica Klaas
Alberta Agriculture & Forestry -Advisor	Bill Chapman

**PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

David Bishop asked for a motion to adopt the minutes as circulated.

**MOTION:** “To adopt the minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting to be adopted as presented”

Moved by Brent Christensen of Beaver County and seconded by Charlie Martin of Warburg

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

None

**APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Dave Bishop opened the floor to nominations.

Budget Committee

Russell William of Clive	nominated by Dan Brachmann of Ponoka.
Derek Price of Lougheed	nominated by Tom Coppock of Alliance.
Monica Klaas (General Manager)	nominated by Colin Wager of Coronation.

**MOTION:** “That nominations cease.”

Moved by Colin Lang of Beaver County and seconded by Gordon Tuck of Bergville.

**CARRIED**

Dave Bishop declared the committee struck as nominated, with Russel Wildeman of Clive as chairman, he being the first person nominated.

## **REPORTS**

Vice President, Kelly Wheeler welcomed the delegates and called upon President Dave Bishop to present the Board of Directors Report, copy of which was given to all attendees.

### **MOTION: “That the report is adopted as presented”.**

Moved by Greg Spear of Bonnyville seconded by Keith Reynolds of Strathmore

**CARRIED**

President Dave Bishop then called upon Monica Klaas to present the General Manager’s Report, copy of which was provided to all attendees.

### **MOTION: “That the report is accepted as presented”.**

Moved by Monica Klaas (General Manager) and seconded by Keith Reynolds of Strathmore

**CARRIED**

## **AUDITORS REPORT**

Daryl Andre from Daryl Andre Professional Corp. presented the 2017 Financial Statement. Copies were made available in the registration package.

There may be opportunities in future to capitalize on interest increases. Membership fees have not changed since 2016. Net assets have increased since last year. In terms of revenues, the convention was down but other streams were up for a total increase in revenue since last year. Expenses have increased since last year. Director expenses were up from last year but still within the budget. Surplus is reported for 2017

### **MOTION: “That the 2017 financial statement be adopted as presented”.**

Moved by Blair Peregrym of Stony Plain and seconded by Joe Hanson of Taber.

**CARRIED**

**DISPOSITION OF 2017 RESOLUTIONS** – As no resolutions were received in 2017, there are no resolutions to deal with.

## **MANAGERS ASSOCIATION UPDATE**

Joe Hanson, President introduced Manager Association Directors:

- Region 1, Joe Hansen ( President) (Taber)
- Region 2, Greg Andrews ( Three Hills)replaces Keith Reynolds (Strathmore)
- Region 3, Hugh Baier (Provost)
- Region 4, Jim Davenport (Clive) replaces Bill Sinclair (Bashaw).
- Region 5, Ron Wirsta (St. Paul)
- Region 6, Blair Peregrym (Stony Plain) (secretary-treasurer of Manager’s Assoc.)
- Region 7, Bryant Kushner (High Prairie)

The managers training day was held in St Paul on the 17 & 18 of June 2017. Excellent representation of managers, with 60 people attending.

This year's Manager training will be held in Provost on June 19 & 20<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Keith Reynolds & Bill Sinclair were thanked for their past service on the Managers Association.

Scholarship: The managers association awarded three scholarships this year. The recipients were: Megan Wirsta, Melisa Wirsta, and Emilee Reynolds.

**BASF** Colin Sebulsky came forward & announced the winners of last evenings event draws. **WINNERS:** Roy Anaka, Roger Dicker, Doug Lindstrom

### **SYNGENTA**

**Rob Bishop & Shad Milligan** presented on how to control Pea Leaf weevil with seed treatments

**GUEST SPEAKER: Chris Chivilo President of WA Holdings: previously known as WAGrain & Pulse Solutions**

#### *Company Overview:*

Chris presented on building a business from the ground up into an international powerhouse, as well as diversification in a local business including a brewery.

### **Lunch**

Blair Peregrym, Manager from Stony Plain Seeds called the afternoon session to order at 1:00 pm

### **NATIONAL SEED INDUSTRY UPDATE**

Roy Van Wyk of the CSI reported on a national seed organization that is possibly going to be formed encompassing all facets of the seed industry. Currently, there are 6 national organizations including The Canadian Seed Growers, Canadian Seed Institute, Canadian Seed Trade, Commercial Seed Analysts, Crop Life, & CPTA that are having discussions regarding synchronizing efforts.

### **ISSUES INC. – COMMUNICATION IS KEY TO A BRIGHT FUTURE**

Shawn Brook presented on how important communication with customers, suppliers and the public is important in propelling a business into the future success.

### **MORNEAU SHEPELL**

Priscilla Khalil presented on the benefit program.

### **FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION**

**Question #1: Safe Work Environment Best Practices: Operating a safe work environment is part of a sustainable future for business and workers and it's the law. Each table will develop 3-6 ideas on how ASP can deliver safety management systems in a cost-effective and logical method.**

**Question #2: Expanding the Seed SMART program. After a very successful first year, how do we expand awareness? Brainstorm 1-2 ideas each of how plants/regions/provincial organization can get this message to the people that we need to reach.**

**RESOLUTIONS:** None received

## **REGIONAL ELECTIONS**

Elections for regions 1 & 2 took place

## **Friday, January 19, 2018**

Hector Ouellette (Director Region 7) called the morning session to order at 8:05 am.

Dave Bishop presented results from Regional Elections and introduced directors for:

- Region 1: Todd McCann                      Region 2: Doug Sell

## **IF WE CAN DO IT, YOU CAN DO IT –**

A panel consisting of Wayne Walker from Westlock, Jo Emsley of Strathmore, and Blair Peregrym from Stony Plain presented on safety management systems moderated by Shawn Brook.

**BAYER**            Nathan Klassen presented on Soybeans, as acreage is moving west. The presentation included food for thought for opportunities in the future.

## **FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION**

### **Amplifying Seed Processor Influence.**

Being farmer-owned, and farmer-driven, seed plants have a direct connection with Alberta Farmers Seed plants are a natural fit to be change agents and provide extension services on seed. Do we actually want to play that role?

How do we as individual plants, regions or provincial organization be positioned to capitalize, influence and be recognized as being proactive as an indispensable link in the seed value chain? (Everything from production to royalty collection, retailing, best in class services, owning a seed variety Blank page ...)?

### **Seed plants provide valuable services to our owners and customers.**

List 3-5 services or attributes that seed plants currently deliver. (cheap seed cleaning is not allowed as an answer)

**List 3-5 things that seed plants could possibly provide in the future that they currently are not doing right now.**

- - Seed Synergy WILL change the way we do business. Forecasted changes in the national seed industry are leaning towards certification of the processing industry. This organization needs to be prepared for the future.

Should we be crafting our own “Seed Smart Processor” program?

- If so, how do we develop a professional designation standard for our organization? If not, how will we fit into the new seed sector?
- List 2 or 3 things we can do collectively and/or individually.

**BUDGET**

The budget was presented by the Committee Chairman, Russel Wildeman (Clive).  
The budget proposed no change to dues and/or fees of any type.

**MOTION:** “ that the budget is adopted as presented”.

Moved by Brian Harris of Bashaw seconded by Jacques Plante of St. Paul

**CARRIED**

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

**MOTION:** “that Daryl Andre Professional Corporation is appointed as auditors for 2018/2019 for the Association of Alberta Co-op Seed Cleaning Plants”.

Moved by Russell Wildeman of Clive and seconded by Kurt Ewanec of Myrnam,

**CARRIED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**      None

**NEW BUSINESS**      None

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER.      Kristen Cumming: Embracing Change**

Leaders are those who walk ahead, who are genuinely committed to deep change in themselves and their organizations. -Peter Senge

How we deal with change is in 3 layers: Execution, Deliverables and Business Results.

“I am convinced that nothing we do is more important than hiring and developing people. At the end of the day, you bet on people, not on strategies.”

Closing Comments were made by Dave Bishop

**MOTION:** “to adjourn the meeting”.

Moved by Colin Wager of Coronation.

**Carried**

**2019 Annual General Scheduled for January 14-18, 2019**

## 2018 Sponsors & Exhibitors!

Company	2018 Level	Participation
BASF	Partner	exhibitor
Bayer CropScience	Partner	exhibitor
Syngenta	Partner	
Lewis M. Carter Mfg	Platinum	exhibitor
Farm Credit Canada	Gold	
Seedcheck Technologies Inc.	Gold	exhibitor
AGI	Silver	
ATB Financial	Silver	
Can-Seed Equipment Ltd.	Silver	exhibitor
CS Welding	Silver	exhibitor
Flaman Grain Cleaning & Handling Systems	Silver	
Foster Park Brokers Inc.	Silver	exhibitor
Hanks Feed Mills	Silver	
Meridian	Silver	exhibitor
Morneau Shepell	Silver	
20/20 Seed Labs Inc.	Bronze	exhibitor
Carter Day	Bronze	exhibitor
Nexeed	Bronze	exhibitor
Secan	Bronze	exhibitor
SGS BioVision Seed Labs	Bronze	exhibitor
WA Grain & Pulse Solutions	Bronze	exhibitor
Accurate Scale Industries Ltd.		exhibitor
Arysta		exhibitor
ATP Nutrition		exhibitor
Canterra Seeds		exhibitor
Delta Technology		exhibitor
EMW Industrial		exhibitor
Frontline Industrial Services		exhibitor
Kenobie Inc.		exhibitor
Omex Agriculture Inc.		exhibitor
Rocking Horse Industries		exhibitor

# THANK YOU

## ***Congratulations to 2018 Award Recipients***

*Outstanding Service Award*

*Sarah Foster*

<b>20 Years</b>	
Susan Bardol	Clandonald Co-op Seed Cleaning Association
Richard Papworth	Enchant Co-op Seed Cleaning Assoc.
Eugene Dutchak	Enchant Co-op Seed Cleaning Assoc.
Dave Goldstrom	Innisfail Municipal Seed Cleaning Plant
<b>25 Years</b>	
Rod Granberg	Foremost Co-op Seed Plant Ltd.
Darrell Kuryvial	Taber Seed Cleaning Co-op Assoc. Ltd.
Brian Schmaltz	K.I.B.A. Seed Cleaning Plant Ltd.
Tyrril Hewitt	Coronation Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd
Rick Kemp	Innisfail Municipal Seed Cleaning Plant
Jacques Plante	St. Paul Municipal Seed Cleaning Association Ltd.
Ray Wynnyk	Clandonald Co-op Seed Cleaning Association
Jerry Kaup	Morinville Municipal Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd
<b>30 Years</b>	
Brian Tamminga	County of Lethbridge Seed Cleaning Co-op
Jim Jones	Enchant Co-op Seed Cleaning Assoc.
Tom Zwack	Strome Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant Ltd.
Richard Lorensen	Myrnam Municipal Seed Cleaning Association
Neil Greenfield	Westlock Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd.
<b>35 Years</b>	
Herb Harder	Vulcan Seed Cleaning Association Ltd.
David Smale	Acadia Seed Processing Co-op Ltd.
Mark Kaese	Battle River Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd
Wayne Walker	Westlock Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd.



**Regional Elections – Thursday, January 18, 2018**  
**MB/SK Meeting Room, Westin, Edmonton**  
 Facilitators – Dan Brachmann & Hector Ouellette

- Each member plant shall elect or appoint a maximum of THREE (3) delegates to represent the Member plant at their regional election.
- Each delegate shall have one (1) vote for the election of a Regional Director.
- 3-year term. 2018-2019-2020.

**Call to Order**

Hector Ouellette called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

**Call for Nominations**

Todd Mccann (Coaldale- Co. Of Leth.) Nominated by Darrell Kuryvail of Taber.  
 Todd Mccann accepted the nomination.

**Any further nominations (call three times)**

**Need a motion to move nominations cease.**

Joe Hanson (Taber) / David Bishop (Carmangay) moves “that nominations cease”.  
 All in favor, those opposed – **Carried**

**Results – Announcement of director**

Todd Mccann of County of Lethbridge (Coaldale) declared regional director by acclamation.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

Gerald Williamson (Granum) “that the meeting adjourns”.

All in favor/opposed.

**Carried**

**Sign In Sheet for Region 1 Elections, Thursday January 18, 2018**

Plant	Delegate	Delegate	Delegate
Carmangay	David Bishop		
County of Lethbridge	Todd Mccann		
Enchant	RICHARD PARSONS	Bruce Mathien	
Foremost			
Granum	Gerald Williamson		
11-22, Medicine Hat	Garry LENTZ	ABB SCHELL	
Border, Milk River			
Milo			
Pincher Creek			
Spring Coulee			
Sunshine			
Taber	Darrell Kuryvail		
Vulcan			



**Region 2**  
**Regional Elections – Thursday, January 18, 2018**  
**MB/SK Meeting Room, Westin, Edmonton**  
**Facilitators – Tom Coppock, Charlie Martin**

- Each Member plant shall elect or appoint THREE (3) delegates to represent the Member plant at their regional election.
- Each Delegate shall have one (1) vote for the election of a Regional Director.
- 3-year term. 2018, 2019, 2020

**Call to Order**

Charlie Martin called the meeting to order at 4:28 pm

**Call for Nominations**

Doug Sell (Three Hills) was nominated by Jamie Christie. (Three Hills)  
*Doug Sell accepted the nomination.*

**Any further nominations** (*called three times*)

**Need a motion to move nominations cease.**

Reg Poffernroth (KIBA) moves “that nominations cease”.  
 All in favor, those opposed – **Carried**

**Results – Announce director**

Doug Sell declared director for Region 2 by acclamation.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

Jim Hurt (Mountainview) “that the meeting adjourns”.  
 All in favor/opposed. **Carried**

**Sign In Sheet for Region 2 Elections, Thursday January 18, 2018**

Plant	Delegate	Delegate	Delegate
KIBA (Beiseker)	<i>Reg Poffernroth</i>		
Blackie			
Mountain View (Carstairs)	<i>Jim Hurt</i>	<i>Larry Hildebrand</i>	
Hussar			
Olds			
Rosebud			
Strathmore	<i>Kelly Wheeler</i>	<i>Mike Hendricks</i>	
Three Hills	<i>Kevin Nien</i>	<i>Samie Christie</i>	