

**NORTH DAKOTA**  
**STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION**  
**January 23, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

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The State Board of Agricultural Research and Education met for a regular meeting on January 23, 2020 at the ND Agricultural Experiment Station Greenhouse Complex, NDSU, Fargo ND.

Members in Attendance: Jim Bahm, Mark Birdsall, Lance Gulleeson, Larry Hoffmann, Jerry Klein, Greg Lardy, Brian Leier, Sarah Lovas, Dean Wehri, and Julie Zikmund. Tom Bodine attended on behalf of Doug Goehring. Dick Roland participated via conference phone call.

Absent: Doug Bichler, Dean Bresciani

Chairman Birdsall called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. He welcomed members and guests, and invited everyone in attendance to make introductions.

January 14, 2020 minutes were reviewed for approval. It was noted that Dean Wehri was not in attendance at the January 14, 2020 special meeting; the minutes to be amended.

MOTION: Jim Bahm made a motion to approve amended January 14, 2020 SBARE meeting minutes, to remove Dean Wehri from attendance; seconded by Sarah Lovas. Motion carried.

January 15, 2020 minutes were reviewed for approval.

MOTION: Jerry Klein made a motion to approve the January 15, 2020 SBARE meeting minutes; seconded by Dean Wehri. Motion carried.

**Administrative Updates, Dr. Greg Lardy**

Dr. Lardy provided an update regarding the search for the department head position for Animal Sciences.

**Comments from Mark Birdsall, SBARE Chair**

Chair Birdsall reviewed the overall process in regards to the priority list and moving forward with grouping the requests/needs.

**Grand Farm Presentation**

Frank Casey introduced William Aderholdt, Grand Farm Program Manager. Dr. Casey commented on the capacity for precision ag opportunities in working with Grand Farm, and an agcentric interest, connecting education and agriculture. He further explained NDSU discussions with Grand Farm. Dr. Aderholdt presented on the Grand Farm journey, potential opportunities, and the vision.

**Ag Budget Office, Dave Ruhland**

Spreadsheets were distributed indicating the results of the priorities as submitted by the SBARE members. Discussion was held regarding the various requests/needs.

**Priority Discussion**

Additional information was distributed in regards to land base for the Carrington Research Extension Center. Blaine Schatz, CREC Director, was available to present information and answer questions. It was requested that land base information for the other respective Research Extension Centers be obtained, thus allowing a comparison and a better informed decision.

Information was also distributed in regards to Waldron Hall and justification for the main station field crops research laboratory.

Chair Birdsall asked the members if any items were missed or if any items required further discussion.

**Grouping Discussion**

Broad themes were created for the various requests/needs, thus allowing a preliminary grouping. Dr. Lardy and the Ag Budget Office will refine the lists for the next meeting.

MOTION: Sarah Lovas made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jerry Klein. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Breitbach