



**Alfalfa Committee Meeting**

Agenda & Meeting Report

Virtual

Thursday, June 3, 2021

10:00 AM, Central Time

Chair Andy Altishin Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_

The Alfalfa and Grass Committees met together remotely on June 3, 2021, since the membership for these committees are very similar. Roll was taken concurrently for both committees. Minutes for both meetings are included in this document.

- 1) Call to Order – the meeting was called to order by Chair Andy Altishin at 10:03AM, Central Time.
- 2) Introductions / roll call – roll call was taken by Peggy Gromoll.
- 3) Review AOSCA anti-trust compliance policy – reviewed.
- 4) Review & adopt agenda – motion passed to approve agenda as distributed.
- 5) Approve minutes from 2018 meeting – 21\_AM\_AL\_02. No meeting in 2020 and 2019 meeting was cancelled on-site due to no agenda items. Motion passed to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2018 meeting as distributed.
- 6) Standards Change Proposal – white clover standards table; minimum pure seed and inert matter (Altishin) – 21\_AM\_ALF-SC\_03  
A proposed change to the AOSCA Standards for white clover was presented by Altishin. The committee endorsed the proposal and voted to move it forward for consideration and adoption to the Council Meeting on June 22, 2021.
- 7) General discussion - General discussion followed, with topics including concerns with water shortages in some alfalfa-producing states and the ongoing use of the pinning map developed by the California Crop Improvement Association.
- 8) Other business – the committee is in need of a Vice-Chair and Paula Moore, Washington State Dept of Agriculture, volunteered to fill the position.
- 9) Action items – develop list for presentation at the Council meeting
  1. Motion passed to forward to the Council the Standards Change Proposal for the white clover standards table.
- 10) Adjourn – meeting adjourned at 10:24AM, Central Time, to be followed by the Grass Committee Meeting.



**Grass Committee Meeting**

Agenda & Meeting Report

Virtual

Thursday, June 3, 2021

10:00 AM, Central Time

Chair Doug Holen Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_

The Grass and Alfalfa Committees met together remotely on June 3, 2021, since the membership for these committees are very similar. Roll was taken concurrently for both committees. Minutes for both meetings are included in this document.

- 1) Call to Order – the meeting was called to order by Chair Doug Holen at 10:25AM, Central Time.
- 2) Introductions / roll call – roll call was taken by Peggy Gromoll.
- 3) Review AOSCA anti-trust compliance policy – reviewed.
- 4) Review & adopt agenda – motion passed to approve agenda as distributed.
- 5) Approve minutes from 2020 meeting – 21\_AM\_GS\_02  
Motion passed to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2020 meeting as distributed.
- 6) Discussion document – changes to Grass VRB application (Boze, Holen)  
Doug Boze recently served as the chair of the Grass VRB and he discussed proposed changes to its review application. The committee approved the proposed changes and moved them forward to the VRB Committee for further consideration. Boze also commented on the review session and its progress. He expressed his opinion that all AOSCA VRB's should not use "No Action Taken" as one of its options. Applicants deserve a review of their applications, regardless of quality and shortfalls, and some feedback from the VRB on how to correct them. The Grass VRB took this approach in its recent session. The matter will be discussed at the upcoming VRB committee meeting.
- 7) General discussion – none.
- 8) Other business - The Grass Committee is in need of a vice-chair and Jodi Keeling from Oregon volunteered. She has also consented to serve as the vice-chair of the Grass VRB.
- 9) Action items – develop list for presentation at the Council meeting
  1. Motion passed to forward the proposed Grass VRB application changes to the June 10<sup>th</sup> Variety Review Board (VRB) Committee meeting.
- 10) Adjourn – the meeting adjourned at 11:28AM, Central Time.