

**HRS Technical Committee**  
**Wheat Quality Council Spring Meeting**

**February 21, 2018**

**Embassy Suites, Kansas City, MO**

**Meeting Minutes:**

Mory Rugg and Jim Petersen as well as many of the members from NDSU and USDA were unable to attend the meeting due to weather or arrived on Thurs Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Terry Selleck called the meeting to order 10 am.

**Reading of Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the previous year's meeting were accepted and approved without reading /reviewing by Rich Hendricks and seconded by Reid Christopherson, Motion passed.

**2017 Board Member Update**

Rich Kendrick moved that the following be elected to: Terry Selleck to Chair, and Randy Hinebauch to Vice Chair, Cathy Butti to Secretary for the coming term. Brian Walker seconded. Motion passed. Andrew Green was nominated to replace Mory Rugg as breeder representative. Kathleen Gehring was elected as a member. Motion was accepted and approved.

**Hard Red Spring Wheat Budget**

Dave Green provided the Financial Report as it stood in January 2018. The CD had a balance of \$23,722.26 and the checking account had a balance of \$4,528 with \$18,000 still intact for analysis of WQC samples.

**HRS Wheat Quality Tour**

Dave Green said the 2017 tour was a success and there would be a change in route for 2018.

**2017 Sample Review**

Gonzalo Rojas was unable to attend so no formal report was given. Brian Walker thought everything was in good shape and there were no major issues with 2017 growout.

**Sample Processing and Analyses**

Linda Dykes was not present at Wed morning meeting so Brian Walker gave a short update of what he knew. With Alyssa Jodock on leave, the Buhler mill was used instead of Miag. We would see lower extraction and ash and thought all went well. On Thursday Linda Dykes stated that the Miag would be used for 2018 samples with some slight improvements.

Brian Walker also led a discussion on the need for accumulative ash, moisture and protein curves on all the samples on Wed and Thurs meetings. The amount of work required to produce this data was tremendous for the USDA lab, ~2000 individual data points. The USDA has limited have staff to conduct these due to "hiring freeze". USDA Director Mike Grusak, seconded this comment on the cutback. The consensus was that they were not necessary but do have standard curves ran as well as a check to verify the mill was milling correctly. At the end of Thurs meeting, a motion was passed to no longer have ash, protein and moisture curves as data in book.

Brian pointed out to Director Grusak the outstanding job Linda continues to do on the book.

### **2018 Growout Discussion**

32 entries so far in 2018 growout. On Thurs, Mory suggested with the additional space, a new check be evaluated again. Will need to review with board members.

### **US HRS Quality and Variety Trends**

Limited Discussion:

Decrease in planted acres of HRS, drought, increase in protein levels, average test weights, good milling based on Buhler and no change in absorption.

State comments were made for SD, ND and MT. Most thought increased planting of wheat in 2018 and drought in 2017.

Neil Fisher stated corn and soy are the new evasive crops in ND.

No breeder comments were made.

Investment in private sector is proving to have good varieties and allow for competition with universities.

### **Open Discussion and New Business**

It was decided to have one cooperator / year attend annual meeting to see the fruits of their labor at councils cost.

### **Adjournment**

Terry Selleck moved to adjourn the meeting. Reid Christopherson provided the second. Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned 10:55 am

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Butti