ALBERTA BEEF PRODUCERS
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – IN PERSON
May 20, 2026

Present:

Doug Roxburgh	- Chair, CT
Kent Holowath	- Vice Chair, SE
Brenda Rosadiuk	- Finance Chair
Miles Wowk	- @ NE
Aydon Almberg	- @ Large
Brad Mappin	- @ Large
Lee Irvine	- @ SW
Dorothy Thengs	- @SW
Jay Hager	- @ NE
Bernie Doerksen	- @NW
Phil Hamar	- @ Central
Karen Shaw	- @ Central

Staff:

Brad Dubeau	*General Manager*
Dana Boyle	*Executive Assn*
Mark Lyseng	*Mgr. Gov. Relations*
Don Poitras	*Controller*
Karin Schmid	*Mgr. Research & Extension*

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:30am

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Hager/Almberg
"That the agenda be approved as amended."
Amendments noted as the following additions:

- **Endangered Species Conservation Committee**
- **2026 Stampede Summit**

Also noted items were adjusted to allow for time and discussion
AIF CARRIED

(a) Conflict of Interest
No conflicts were noted

2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

(a) Minutes of the April 1, 2026 Board of Directors meeting.

Motion by Holowath/Irvine
"That the minutes from March 2nd and March 3rd Board of Directors Meeting be approved as presented."
AIF CARRIED

3. Financial Report

(a) Financial Reporting ending March 31, 2026 Pre-Audit

- Interest rate at 2.47
- Total marketings show under from this time last year
- At 95% of Budget
- Everything is higher now due to the economy

Motion by Rosadiuk/Doerksen
"That the Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approve the March 31, Pre-Audit Financial Statements as presented."
AIF CARRIED

April 30, 2026 Financial Statements

- Investments under the mandate split at 16.94
- Zones allotted their 10k spend

Motion by Rosadiuk/Holowath
"That the Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approve the April 30, 2026 Financial Statements as presented."
AIF CARRIED

(b) 2. 027 – 2027 Alberta Beef Producers Draft Budget
Highlights of the budget included:

- Honorariums increasing this year
- Mileage rate increased (as per the CRA recommendations)
- Summit could see an increase as we're inviting several US states to join to continue the NCBA discussions on cross-border beef talks
- Increase in marketing spend to increase our exposure on digital and traditional assets
- Will be extending the Glenbow Ranch (consumer education)
- Research and animal health – dollars allow us to demonstrate what we're doing in both research and marketing; administrative dollars from the living lab grant, will realize income year over year
- Refunds: seeing a reduction in people applying for refunds
- Board agrees that $430k should be moved to operating (see motions)

(c) Request for Decisions

Motion by Rosadiuk/Wowk
"That the Board of Directors approve to move $604,512 from unrestricted net assets to the ABP Operations Budget."

"That the Board of Directors approve to move $327,556 from unrestricted net assets to Unrealized Nesbitt Burns."

"That the Board of Directors approve to move $430,000 from unrestricted assets to Operating Reserve Fund Future years."

"That the Board of Directors approve to leave $408,640 of CCA Carryovers from contributions in unrestricted. ABP will be assessed on these dollars in the next fiscal."

"That the Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approve the 2026-2027 draft budget as presented."
AIF CARRIED

4. Staff Report, Policy, and Governance

In reading materials

5. Committee Reports

- Due to the agenda item, this Board meeting was closed to regular committee guests.

Andrea Brocklebank, Tyler Fulton joined the Board for a discussion on the CCA/ABP membership at 10:30 am
Item 7. (a) Discussion: CCA and ABP (moved up in agenda)
Discussion highlights included the tabled motion from April 1, 2026 as follows:

- Motion by Rosadiuk/Irvine "That Alberta Beef Producers approve funding for six (6) months from July 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 but not renew its membership in the Canadian Cattle Association until implementation of changes presented are complete.

  Motion by Irvine/Holowath Motion tabled until May 20, 2026 Board of Director's Meeting. **Motion withdrawn**

After discussion with CCA and then by the Board of Directors, the following motion was made: "

Motion by Mappin/Holowath
"**The Alberta Beef Producers (ABP) Board of Directors approves gap funding for the Canadian Cattle Association (CCA) from July 1st to August 31st, 2026 at the current assessment rate, including the CCA Legal Assessment, as a non-member of the Canadian Cattle Association.**
ABP's gap funding would be recognized by the CCA and allow Alberta elected CCA representatives to participate fully in CCA meetings. Any votes cast by the Alberta elected CCA representatives would be recorded as non-member, for or against.
AIF CARRIED

6. Decision Items continued

6 (a) Livestock Assurance Funds Tribunal Appointment

Motion by Doerksen/Wowk
"That Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approves the following individual appointments to represent Alberta Beef Producers on the Livestock Assurance Funds Tribunal:
• Greg Bowie - Vice Chair of Livestock Assurance Funds Tribunal for one year ending in May 2027 at which time he will "term out" after 10 years of participation.
AIF CARRIED

6 (b) Canada Beef Check-Off Agency Confirmation of Sheila Hillmer

Motion by Irvine/Shaw
"That Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approves the confirmation of Sheila Hillmer to represent Alberta Beef Producers on the Canada Beef Check-Off Agency for a 2 year term beginning May of 2026."
AIF CARRIED

6 (c) Reinstatement of Grizzly Bear Hunt Resolutions

Motion by Almberg/Doerksen
"That Alberta Beef Producers Board of Directors approves the following amended resolution for consideration and approval for the Wildlife Working Group:
Whereas: Livestock deaths and injuries in Alberta due to grizzly bears have trended upward for the past two decades. Mature male boar and female grizzly bears are territorial and maintain large ranges and have forced younger adolescent grizzly bears out of their home ranges in the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains. Breeding aged grizzly bears have now established ranges and territories in Alberta's ranch and farmland The Alberta government has still not created an effective methodology to successfully manage the grizzly bear population, nor has permitted a trophy hunt for grizzly bears since 2005, and has placed a full ban on trophy hunting grizzly bears since 2006. Hunting mature (past prime of life) big game animals and predators allows for a genetically healthier and appropriately managed population which creates improved biodiversity and also for protection for humans, livestock and native species.
Be it Resolved: That the Alberta Beef Producers work with our fellow industry partner groups to lobby the Minister of Forestry and Parks and the Government of Alberta to re-establish a grizzly bear draw and hunt in Alberta.
AIF CARRIED

Trevor Sears and Kevin Bender joined the Board of Directors for lunch at 12 noon prior to their presentation.

7. Discussions Items continued

Vision, Mission, Core Strategies, Strategic Objectives
(b) Presentation: WCI Strategic Blueprint – presented to the Board of Directors.
(c) Presentation (virtual): Jordan Flynn and team from Wholesale Energy – presented to the Board how they could support farmers and agricultural regarding energy programs.
(d) Provincial Working Group has now wrapped up and final report is in the board package.
Action: Dubeau to request the change on page 12, first sentence, which should be removed.

(e) ABP Traceability Working Group is moving along and invitations will be sent out to sit on working group

(f) Marketing Council has approved the bylaw changes.

(g) Next Policy Framework; Karin Schmid and Mark Lyseng joined the meeting at 3:35pm to provide an update and assist the Board of Directors in completion of the questionnaire.

(h) Action Items in the board package; will be updated at the next meeting.

(i) AgriStability calculation
After a brief discussion, it was agreed that Alberta Beef Producers would send a letter acknowledging receipt of the information.
Action: ABP will be sending a letter that we have received the information and will continue to be engaged on this issue.

(j) Canadian Beef Grading Agency
Information was provided to the Board on the CBGAs request to join the Board as a director or associate director.

Motion by Mappin/Irvine
"That the Board of Director's approve that Alberta Beef Producers submit to be a director with voting rights at the Canadian Beef Grading Agency."
AIF CARRIED

(k) Endangered Species Conservation Committee
Dubeau received a request from the Government of Alberta to sit on this committee and the Board agreed it is important for ABP to be there.
We will identify a primary and alternate by June 6 and send out the documents to them.

Motion by Almberg/Hager
"That the Board of Directors approves Cole Barten as primary and Mark Lyseng as back up.
AIF CARRIED
Action: Dubeau to send out all the documents after the Board meeting.

8. Zone Reports

All zones advised work is continuing and requests are coming in.

9. In Camera

Motion by Rosadiuk/Irvine
The Board of Directors moved in-camera with Dubeau at 4:25pm

Motion by Irvine/Shaw
The hiring committee to proceed as discussed in-camera

Motion by Hager/Wowk
The Board of Directors moved in camera without Dubeau at 4:53pm

Motion by Shaw/Irvine
The Board moved out of camera at 5:01pm

10. Adjournment

T Motion by Hamar/Holowath
"That the Board of Directors adjourn at 5:02pm"