

STATE AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Department of Agriculture
Market and Warren Streets
1st Floor Auditorium
Trenton, NJ 08625**

SPECIAL MEETING – VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCING

January 31, 2014

Chairman Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Ms. Payne read the notice indicating the meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll call indicated the following:

Members Present Via Telephone Conferencing

Douglas H. Fisher, Chairperson
James Requa (rep. DCA Commissioner Constable)
Ralph Siegel (rep. State Treasurer Sidamon-Eristoff) (**attended in person**)
Cecile Murphy (rep. DEP Commissioner Martin)
Brian Schilling (rep. Executive Dean Goodman)
Peter Johnson
Jane R. Brodhecker
Torrey Reade

Members Absent

Alan A. Danser, Vice Chairman
Denis C. Germano, Esq.
James Waltman

Susan E. Payne, Executive Director
Jason Stypinski, Deputy Attorney General

Others present as recorded on the attendance sheet: Brian Smith, Hope Gruzlovic, Jeffery Everett, Dave Kimmel, Patricia Riccitello, SADC staff; Kerstin Sundstrom, Esq., Governor's Authorities Unit (via telephone conferencing), and Christine Bell, Ocean County Agriculture Development Board (in person).

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

**A. Right to Farm
Resolution of Final Approval: On Farm Direct Marketing Agricultural
Management Practice**

Ms. Payne stated that before the Committee is a proposed adoption of the On-Farm Direct Marketing Agricultural Management Practice (AMP)/Right to Farm Management Practices and Procedures rules. The rule proposal was published on June 17, 2013 and the public comment period concluded on August 16, 2013. SADC staff reviewed the comments received, developed its response document and made some minor amendments to the rule proposal as a result. The document provided to the Committee for today's meeting is the final adoption of the SADC's response to public comments and the proposed rules with minor amendments. Ms. Payne stated that the Committee could not take action on this item at the January 23rd meeting because the Governor's Office had not yet completed its review of the document. Staff was notified last Friday, January 24th, that the Governor's Office had completed its review.

Ms. Payne stated that staff is asking the Committee to approve adoption of the document. If it is approved, staff will work to have it published in the New Jersey Register sometime this spring, probably in April depending on timing. The rules will become effective on publication in the New Jersey Register.

It was moved by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Schilling to adopt the Agricultural Management Practice (AMP) for On-Farm Direct Marketing Facilities, Activities, and Events; Right to Farm Management Practices and Procedures, as presented and discussed for publication in the New Jersey Register.

A role-call vote was taken as follows:

Douglas H. Fisher, Chairperson	Yes
James Requa	Yes
Ralph Siegel	Yes
Cecile Murphy	Yes
Brian Schilling	Yes

Peter Johnson	Yes
Jane R. Brodhecker	Recuse
Torrey Reade	Yes
Alan A. Danser, Vice Chairman	Absent
Denis C. Germano, Esq.	Absent
James Waltman	Absent

The motion was approved. 7 Yes Votes, 1 Recusal. (A copy of the Agricultural Management Practice (AMP) for On-Farm Direct Marketing Facilities, Activities, and Events; Right to Farm Management Practices and Procedures is attached to and is a part of these minutes.)

Chairman Fisher thanked everyone for all the work that went into development of this AMP.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Brodhecker and seconded by Mr. Siegel and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan E. Payne, Executive Director
State Agriculture Development Committee

Attachments

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