## 339th MEETING INDIANA STATE EGG BOARD

CRTN 1014 August 7, 2024 West Lafayette, IN 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Bryan Johnson, Tom Klump, Blair Kriner, Robert Krouse, Alex Seger,

Margaret Titus, Tom Lafferty & Skye Zakrzewski via Zoom.

Others Present: Andie Mears, Inspector, Indiana State Egg Board, Mark Straw, Executive

Administrator, Indiana State Egg Board and Melissa Geiger,

Administrative Assistant, Indiana State Egg Board.

President Seger called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

With no announcements, meeting business began immediately.

The minutes of the May 1, 2024 meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Titus, and seconded by Klump. Motion passed unanimously.

Straw presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024 Financial Report. The information is reflecting year-end information, including the Profit and Loss Comparison. Note was made that there will be an attempt to charge salary transfers to the correct grant accounts each month to try and eliminate delays of reporting salary expenses correctly. There is a new account listed on the financial report that is established by the University to reflect grant money that goes back to the PI. Motion to accept the financial report as presented was made by Klump and seconded by Krouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Geiger presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024 Audit Report. One firm is three quarters delinquent. One firm was two quarters delinquent and two firms were one quarter delinquent at the time of the meeting. Twenty-five Farm Market/Wholesale Combination and Less than 5 Cases per week wholesale registrants are one report delinquent (last report due 12/31/23).

There were 23 new Farm Market Retail/Wholesale Combination accounts in the 4th quarter as well as 10 new wholesalers at the Less than 5 cases level and 3 new wholesalers at the 5-250 Cases per week level.

Motion by Klump, seconded by Titus, to refund the audit deposit monies of accounts current in reporting, but no longer distributing in Indiana upon request of the respective company. Motion passed unanimously.

Geiger also presented a report on License Type trends for the period of 2021-2024, including the numbers of registrants who have not yet renewed for 2024 for each level of retail and wholesale

licensing. There were 560 total retailers and 75 wholesale accounts that had not yet renewed as of July 31, 2024.

There was a discussion regarding food safety and egg-quality improvement. Straw mentioned the possible consideration for a license description of "farm-to-school" wholesale.

Straw presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024 Field Staff Activity Report. Eggs are still being found with a high number of dirty eggs. The report looks a bit different due to the computer program being used for the entire 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, as opposed to the former paper method of collecting inspection data.

Straw presented the 2nd Quarter 2024 Field Staff Violations Report. Dirty fecal material found on the eggs inspected continues to be a problem. The computer program for inspection provides much more detail into the inspection information.

Dr. Kopp was not able to join in person; but, sent information from the Board of Animal Health.

Staff changes include the loss of a Compliance Officer to industry at the end of August. The plan is to advertise and fill this position as well as a Compliance Officer position in the East as soon as possible.

**Upcoming Events:** 

• Shell Egg Academy – In-Person, September 10-12, Purdue University

The next Board meeting is November 6, 2024 at Creighton Hall.

Seger called for a motion to adjourn at 11:50 am. Titus moved to adjourn, and seconded by Johnson. Unanimously approved.

Alex Seger, President

Blair Kriner, Secretary