

MINUTES
OF THE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

A meeting of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) was held on February 16-17, 2011 in Washington, DC. The public was invited to attend the open session portion of the meeting.

Meeting
February 16-17,
2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am, February 16, 2011, in Room 6610 of the South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC, in open session.

Call to Order
Open Session

The Board immediately went into executive session to discuss confidential matters with Risk Management Agency (RMA) staff and submitters of private products under the Federal Crop Insurance Act (Act). The executive session continued on February 17, 2011, in Room 108A of the Jamie Whitten Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC.

Executive Session

The open session of the Board reconvened on February 17, 2011, at 2:15 pm in Room 108A of the Jamie Whitten Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC.

Reconvene Open
Session

David Grahn read the recitation to all members of the Board to advise the Board of its responsibilities in representing the interests of the FCIC and USDA and advised each member to act accordingly.

Recitation

The Manager of the FCIC, Bill Murphy, who was acting as Chairperson due to the absence of Chairman Glauber, as authorized by the By-Laws of the FCIC Board, requested Board members to introduce themselves. Present were; Luis Monterde, James Nickel, Mike Pickens, Ellen Linderman, Maggie Goode, constituting a statutory quorum and Cindy Spoor, Secretary, FCIC.

Present

Also present were David Grahn, Kim Arrigo(phone) and Aaron Lauer, Office of the General Counsel (OGC); Barbara Leach, Associate Administrator, Tim Witt, Tim Hoffmann, Mary Alonzo, Kent Lanclos, Thomas Worth and Terri Lagarde of RMA; Jacqueline Moore, NASS; Ken Ackerman, Olsen, Frank and Weeda; Jason Schickedanz and Kerry Shropshire, AgForce; Alex

Offerdahl, Craig Landgren and Cole Artsun, Watts and Associates; Clif Parks, Agrilogic; Marvin Zutz, Minnesota Barley Growers; Derek Prell, Maltenrop N.A.; Scott Heisse, AMBA and Adin Hester, Olive Growers Council.

Hearing no objection, Chairman Murphy agreed to dispense with a reading of the Manager's Report (Exhibit 4009). He stated that the Manager's Report is available on line at www.rma.usda.gov. Mr. Murphy indicated in the interest of time he would not give the highlights of the report in the interest of time.

Manager's Report

A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the Minutes and to approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on November 16-17, 2010.

Dispense with Reading – Minutes

The motion carried. (Exhibit 4010)

Approved

The Chairman then stated that:

Docket No. CI – Section 522(b) Concept Proposal 120 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4011 was withdrawn by the submitters.

Concept Proposal 120 Withdrawn

Docket No. CI – Section 522(b) Concept Proposal 121 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4012 was tabled, as agreed to by the submitters.

Concept Proposal 121 Tabled

Docket No. CI- Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0020 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4013 was withdrawn by the submitters.

Confidential Submission 0020 Withdrawn

Docket No. CI - Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0021 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4014 was tabled, as agreed to by the submitters.

Confidential Submission 0021 Tabled

Chairman Murphy then brought Docket No. CI-Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0024 02-17-11 01 to the floor.

Confidential Submission 0024

Chair Murphy then offered the following resolution, which was seconded:

WHEREAS, Section 505(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (Act) requires the Board to enter into contracts with persons experienced as actuaries and in underwriting for reviews of any policy or plan of insurance, or any related material or

modification of a policy or plan of insurance proposed to be offered under the Act, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That pursuant to the information contained in Docket No. CI-Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0024 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4016, the Board approves expert review for Confidential Submission 0024 and directs that: 1) The Manager of the Corporation be authorized to take such action as necessary to enter into and execute contracts with the persons or entities on the attached list, or the alternates in case the proposed persons are not available, to review Confidential Submission 0024 prior to Board action; and 2) The attached task order statement of work be used to execute the contracts.

There being no discussion the Board voted to approve the resolution. (Exhibit 4016)

Approved

Docket No. CI-Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0025 02-17-11 01 was the next action item before the Board.

Confidential Submission 0025

Chair Murphy offered the following resolution, which was seconded:

RESOLVED, that Docket No. CI-Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0025 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4015, the Board hereby approves the non-significant modification as submitted in Confidential Submission 0025, beginning with the first crop year the Manager determines is practicable, as approved by the Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, as authorized under section 508(h) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board delegates to the Manager the authority to make such technical policy changes as are necessary to implement the changes described herein and to make the policy legally sufficient.

There being no discussion the Board voted to approve the resolution. (Exhibit 4015)

Approved

Confidential Submission 0025 refers to an expansion to the Rainfall Index Apiculture (RI-API) and Vegetation Index Apiculture (VI-API) plans of insurance submitted by AgForce, Inc.

The next action item before the Board was Docket No. CI- Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0026 02-17-11 01.

Confidential Submission 0026

Chair Murphy offered the following resolution, which was seconded:

WHEREAS, Section 505(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (Act) requires the Board to enter into contracts with persons experienced as actuaries and in underwriting for reviews of any policy or plan of insurance, or any related material or modification of a policy or plan of insurance proposed to be offered under the Act, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That pursuant to the information contained in Docket No. CI- Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0026 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4017, the Board approves expert review for Confidential Submission 0026 and directs that: 1) the Manager of the Corporation be authorized to take such action as necessary to enter in to and execute contracts with the persons or entities on the attached list, or the alternates in case the proposed persons are not available, to review the Confidential Submission 0026 prior to Board action; and 2) the attached task order statement of work be used to execute the contracts.

There being no discussion the Board voted to approve the resolution. (Exhibit 4017)

Approved

Docket No. CI- Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0027 02-17-11 01 was the next action item brought before the Board.

Confidential
Submission 0027

Chairman Murphy offered the following resolution which was seconded:

WHEREAS, Section 505(e) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act (Act) requires the Board to enter into contracts with persons experienced as actuaries and in underwriting for reviews of any policy or plan of insurance, or any related material or modification of a policy or plan of insurance proposed to be offered under the Act, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That pursuant to the information contained in Docket No. CI- Section 508(h) Confidential Submission 0027 02-17-11 01, Exhibit 4018, the Board approves expert review for Confidential Submission 0027 and directs that: 1) the Manager of the Corporation be authorized to take such action as necessary to enter in to and execute contracts with the persons or entities on the attached list, or the alternates in case the proposed persons are not available, to review the Confidential Submission 0027 prior to Board action; and 2) the attached task order statement of work be used to execute the contracts.

