PA GRAZING LANDS COALITION (PA GLC)

21 April 2020 BOARD MEETING by ZOOM 10:00 AM

Board meeting was called to order by Tom Calvert, Chairman. Directors Duane Hertzler, Tom Ulrich, Cliff Hawbaker, Ann Swinker, Michael Kovach. Jennifer Albright, Brian Moyer, and John Courtney were present. Denise Coleman-NRCS State Conservationist, and Susan Parry - NRCS State Grassland Conservationist, were also in attendance. Technical Advisor Dave Hartman- PSU Dairy and Animal Science; Donna Foulk-Equine specialist; Kelly O'Neill-Chesapeake Bay Foundation; Susan Richards and Debbie Whitmoyer-Capital RC&D; Lisa Blazure-Stroud Water Resource Center; Beth Futrick-PA Ag Ombudsman Program were in attendance also by Zoom.

TECHNICAL ADVISORS REPORTS

Technical advisors present each were given a moment to highlight their activities. Their written summaries and other quarterly summaries will be collected and posted for all.

MINUTES

Minutes of 21 January 2020 were reviewed and on motion by Michael Kovach and second by Cliff Hawbaker, accepted.

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurers report dated April 7, 2020 was discussed. On motion by John Courtney and a second by Brian Moyer, the report was accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Denise Coleman reported there is an ongoing search to hire a full-time replacement for Tim Elder (NW NRCS Grazing Specialist) and Tim will also be working as a mentor and assisting with the program.

OLD BUSINESS

On motion by Jennifer Albright and second by Michael Kovach, all actions of the Executive Committee were affirmed to formalize agreements with Capital RC&D to act as our Fiscal agent and project manager.

NEW BUSINESS

Beth Futrick, PA Ag Ombudsman Program, proposed and explored with us the ways we could work together or do joint projects to benefit our interests and her local food programs.

On motion by Duane Hertzler and second by John Courtney, it was approved to plan the July 21 meeting and farm visit for 21 July at Cliff Hawbaker farm.

This meeting was converted to a Zoom video conference meeting call due to the COVID-19. Adjourned at 12:05.

Submitted by John Courtney, PA GLC Secretary.