

**Minutes**  
North Dakota Organic Advisory Board  
Telephone Conference Call  
January 30, 2009  
9:00 a.m.

Chairman Brad Brummond called the meeting to order.

Roll Call was taken:

**Advisory Board members present:** Brad Brummond, Scott Sinner, Kevin Kvamme, Grayson Hoberg, Chuck Gustafson, Britt Jacobson, Lowell Kaul, Dennis Schill, Kayla Pulvermacher, Christina Dockter, and Chuck Fleming representing Commissioner Roger Johnson

**Advisory Board members absent:** David Podoll, Keith Kadrmas, Anne Ongstad, Betsy Perkins, Ernie Hoffert

**Others on the call:** Marlene Ells, Janet Jacobson

Chairman Brummond opened the meeting by discussing House Bill 1465, a bill to provide an appropriation to the North Dakota Department of Agriculture to support and organic staff person and operating funds. The hearing on the bill is scheduled for February 5<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in front of the House Agriculture Committee.

The Board review the material that Janet Jacobson and others had prepared. Discussion ensued on developing a list of persons who could testify at the hearing. The following schedule was adopted:

Introduction of bill: Rep DeKrey. (Chuck Fleming was to supply him with all materials that have been developed.

Introduction of Testimony: Chairman Brad Brummond

Activities highlights: Vice Chair Britt Jacobson

Processors: Grayson Hoberg, Scott Sinner, Kevin Kvamme and whoever else they might recruit

Producers: Lowell Kaul and any others wishing to testify

Organizations: Dennis Schill, NPSAS, Kayla Pulvermacher, ND Farmers Union

It was agreed that the group would meet at 9:30 a.m. on the day of the hearing at the ND Department of Agriculture office to go over final details.

A discussion was held on the organic purity seed bill and the sustainable agriculture bill that have been introduced.

Chairman Brad Brummond announced that he was calling a meeting of the Organic Advisory Board at 10:30 am on February 5<sup>th</sup> or immediately following the hearing on House Bill 1465.

There being no further business, Chairman Brummond adjourned the meeting.