

The actions delineated below were taken in open session of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board at the March 19, 2021 business meeting. This is provided in summary form; an official record of the meeting is available in the permanent records of the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy, 404 Ann Street, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



**Kentucky Agricultural Development Board
Summary Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting
March 19, 2021
404 Ann Street
Frankfort, KY 40601**

Call to Order

Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles, presiding, called the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB) regular business meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Roll Call

The following members were present: Agriculture Commissioner Dr. Ryan Quarles, John Ard (designee for Governor Andy Beshear), Sarah Butler (designee for interim Secretary Larry Hayes), Dr. Kirk Pomper (designee for KSU President Dr. Christopher Brown II), Dean Nancy Cox, Mark Barker, Matt Hinton, Wayne Hunt Bobby Foree, Fritz Giesecke, Pat Henderson, Tom McKee, Katie Moyer, Al Pedigo, and Robbie Williams.

Absent: Dr. Gordon Jones

Notification of Media

Commissioner Quarles received verification from Milinda Sosby, Boards and Special Events Manager, that the media had been notified of the KADB monthly meeting.

Welcome

Commissioner Quarles welcomed everyone to the teleconference meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Quarles entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2021 board meeting.

Mr. Hunt moved to approve the minutes, as presented; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Report

Commissioner Quarles shared some of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) activities since the last meeting. He reported National Agriculture Week is March 22 -26 and KDA will be using social media to promote Kentucky Agriculture over the course of the week. Commissioner Quarles mentioned nominations for the Leopold Conservation award were being accepted through April 1. Commissioner Quarles also discussed the recently approved one-year State budget and reported that KDA funding is in line with what is needed to support programs over the next year.

Commissioner Quarles reported that the Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy is in the process of transitioning to KDA. There are multiple processes that will need to occur, but the overall goal is for a seamless transition with no disruption of services. The Commissioner also announced a two-day strategic session July 15 & 16 is being planned with the KADB and KAFC participating. Additional details will be forthcoming.

Executive Director's Report

Commissioner Quarles yielded the floor to Dorsey Ridley, KOAP Executive Director, to report to the board.

Mr. Ridley welcomed everyone to the teleconference meeting and updated the board on his recent activities. He announced several staffing changes. Mr. Ridley welcomed new County Programs Manager Martin Williams and new intern Hailey Nelson. Mr. Ridley also thanked Renee Carrico for her service and wished her well with her new position at Kentucky Farm Bureau.

Mr. Ridley reminded the board of the upcoming anniversary of HB611 that was signed in to law by Governor Paul Patton on April 26, 2000. In this historic event, Kentucky invested 50 percent of funds to Kentucky agriculture. From this primary investment, agriculture cash receipts have grown \$2 billion in 20 years. Mr. Ridley thanked the Governor's office then and now, legislative leaders and those who have served on the KADF board for championing this effort.

Mr. Hunt thanked Mr. Ridley for his work and his appreciation for the work being done by the KADB board. He stated he thinks Kentucky is a leader in the distribution of tobacco settlement money and it has truly made a difference in Kentucky agriculture.

Deputy Executive Director's Report

Commissioner Quarles yielded the floor to Bill McCloskey, KOAP Deputy Executive Director, to report to the board.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Foothills Products and Services, Inc. (A2008-0280) memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Triple J Farm Final County Funds Update memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Hinton's Orchard & Farm Market, LLC (A2020-0173) Final County Funds Update memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the January 2021 Kentucky Broadcaster's Association Public Education Partnership (PEP) Program memorandum (*on file*).

Mr. McCloskey referenced the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund State Pool Tobacco Funds (*on file*) as of February 25, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund County Balances (*on file*) as of February 25, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed the KAFC Statement of Financial Position (*on file*) as of February 28, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey reviewed the Category B Loans (*on file*) as of March 1, 2021.

Mr. McCloskey referenced the March KAFC agenda and list of applications presented for approval (*on file*).

Mr. Barker moved to approve the Financial Reports, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Meat Processing Expansion Committee Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Hunt and Renee Carrico to provide the Meat Processing Expansion Committee report (MPEC) and items for action.

Mr. Hunt indicated the committee had recently met and received reports from the meat processing consultant, Bobby Pace. Mr. Pace has provided very beneficial information to the applicants he has worked with.

Ms. Carrico referenced the 2020 Kentucky CARES for Meat Processing Program Final Report memorandum and noted that projects on the wait list that will receive no funding (*on file*). All CARES funds have officially been spent with 14 projects in 13 counties.

Mr. Hunt moved to accept committee report and final 2020 Kentucky CARES for Meat Processing report; Mr. McKee seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Commissioner Quarles reported there may be additional USDA money available on the horizon for meat processing.

On-Farm Water Management Committee Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Giesecke to give the On-Farm Water Management Committee report.

Mr. Giesecke reported the committee had received three applications. He discussed some of the details about each applicant. Of the applications received, one was pended for more information, two will be presented later in the meeting for approval.

Mr. Giesecke moved to approve the On-Farm Water Management Committee report, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

KADB Compliance Committee Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Barker to give the KADB Compliance Committee report.

Mr. Barker reported the committee recently met and approved the minutes from the last meeting. Much time was spent discussing the request from the American Black Hereford Association (A2017-0025) for a modification of terms. The committee also reviewed reporting compliance and status of county council and plan submissions.

Mr. Barker moved to approve the KADB Compliance Committee report, as presented; Ms. Butler seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

The KADB Compliance committee recommended to deny ABHA's request and require the pro-rated payback of \$22,138 to the KADF.

Mr. Barker moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Henderson seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

KADB Program Evaluation Committee Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Williams to give the KADB Program Evaluation Committee report.

Mr. Williams reported the committee had reviewed genomically enhanced EPD's questions received and cited a definition on GE-EPD's.

The committee recommended the following clarifications be added to the 2021 CAIP guidelines:

Breed associations that do not currently have genomically enhanced EPDs will have two years to compute them for their producers. Once an association begins computing genomically enhanced EPDs breeders must meet the CAIP requirement to be eligible for the program. Breeds have until 2023 to accomplish this.

Breeds that have not completed a genetic evaluation in the past two years will be removed from the eligible breed list, beginning with the 2022 program year. This will be evaluated on an annual basis

Mr. Williams moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the KADB Program Evaluation Committee report, as presented; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Recipient Review Committee (KDA RRC) Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Henderson to give the KDA RRC report.

Mr. Henderson reported that Kentucky Proud is doing an amazing job with promotion in the state and beyond. The program reported a third of the applicants are new to the program. The direct to farmer impact has been extraordinary. The program is looking to track the impact of farmers markets. Many programs were impacted from the pandemic and continue to be impacted due to the recent flooding in the state. Mr. Henderson congratulated Melanie McPartlin and staff on work done.

Mr. Henderson moved to approve the committee report, as presented; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Beef Network Recipient Review Committee (KBN RRC) Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. Pedigo to give the KBN RRC report.

Mr. Pedigo reported that KBN has accomplished many of its goals despite limitations associated with the pandemic. The IRM program will be sunseting and will be replaced by a program driven by the meat production side.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee report, as presented; Dr. Pomper seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Kentucky Horticulture Council Recipient Review Committee (KHC RRC) Report

Commissioner Quarles called on Dr. Pomper to give the KHC RRC report.

Dr. Pomper reviewed the quarterly report including the future of horticulture and benchmarks being met. Dr. Pomper reported how virtual meetings have helped work thru restrictions with the pandemic. Dr. Cindy Finneseth has worked very hard and is finding innovative ways to support horticulture.

Dr. Pomper moved to approve the committee report, as presented; Dr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Memo Action Items

Commissioner Quarles called on Sandy Gardner, Danielle Milbern, Mr. McCloskey, and Ms. Carrico to present the following memo action items:

A2019-0095 Christian Fellowship, Inc

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget reallocation and time extension.

The White Application Review Committee recommended approval of the six month time extension request and the budget reallocation contingent upon approval from the local County Council. The new expiration date will be August 16, 2021.

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Ard seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2019-0120

Western Kentucky State Fair, Inc.

Ms. Carrico presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a change of funding type and time extension.

The White Application Review Committee recommended denying the request for state funds and approving a six month time extension to obtain County fund commitments and request reimbursement.

Ms. Moyer moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Mr. Barker abstained

Commissioner Quarles reported there would be KDA funds available for county fairs with a deadline of Oct. 1.

A2019-0266

University of Kentucky Research Foundation (Bee Study)

Ms. Gardner presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced progress report for release of second year funds.

Mr. Giesecke moved to approve the progress report and release second year funds, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Dean Cox abstained.

A2020-0145

Summit Meat Processing

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget reallocation request.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended approval of the applicant's budget reallocation request.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0228

Menifee County Board of Education

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a budget amendment request.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the budget amendment request.

Mr. Foree moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0263

Nochelinda Farms, L.L.C

Ms. Milbern presented a memorandum (*on file*) on the above referenced request for a check request exception.

The Blue Application Review Committee recommended approval of the check request exception.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous

New Business

New Applications for Referral¹

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present the new applications for referral.

Mr. McCloskey referenced seven (7) new applications for referral.

Mr. Foree moved to refer the submitted applications to the appropriate committees; Mr. McKee seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Programs Recommended for Approval²

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present programs recommended for approval.

Mr. McCloskey referenced five (5) County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) applications totaling \$565,450; three (3) DAR applications totaling \$26,329; one (1) Next Generation Farmer (NextGen) application totaling \$26,000; one (1) Shared-Use Equipment Program application totaling \$17,195; three (3) Youth Ag Incentives applications totaling \$32,950. The total program funding is \$667,924.

Staff recommended approval of applications.

Mr. Hunt moved to approve all programs meeting state guidelines, as presented; Mr. Pedigo seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Requested Program Amendments³

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present requested program amendments.

Mr. McCloskey referenced two (2) counties requesting additional funds of \$89,520 for existing CAIP programs in Jessamine and Barren Counties. Christian County requested all investment areas be changed to a Primary Focus.

Staff recommended approval of these amendments.

Mr. McKee moved to approve program amendments, as presented: Mr. Hinton seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

On-Farm Water Program Recommended for Funding

Small Scale Grant (SSG)

Commissioner Quarles called on Mr. McCloskey to present On-Farm Water Small Scale Grant applications recommended for funding.

Mr. McCloskey referenced one application from Grayson County requesting \$6,881.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommended funding the application.

Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the committee's recommendation, as presented; Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

Producer Implemented Project (PIP)

A2021 – 0017

Glen Dean Farms, Inc

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$30,872 in State funds to harvest rainfall from tobacco barns for crop irrigation. This will be a Producer Implemented Project in Breckinridge County.

The On-Farm Water Management Committee recommends funding the request for up to \$30,872 in State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Henderson moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Projects Recommended for Funding

Commissioner Quarles called on Ms. Milbern and Ms. Carrico to present the following recommendations for funding:

PROJECTS

A2020-0144 Bluegrass Lamb Company, LLC

Ms. Milbern referenced the above Meat Processing Investment Program Level 4 application requesting \$250,000 in State funds to buy a processing facility in central Kentucky.

The Meat Processing Expansion Committee recommended funding the project up to \$250,000 in State funds as a forgivable loan and any county funds secured shall be awarded in the form of a cost-reimbursement grant in addition to State funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. McKee moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Ard seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0338 Pulaski County Extension District Foundation, Inc

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$1,988 in Pulaski County funds to collect forage samples to test for education purposes.

The Red application Review Committee recommended funding the project up to \$1,988 funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Giesecke seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2020-0348 Community Farm Alliance, Inc.

Ms. Milbern referenced the above application requesting \$329,298 in State funds to continue support for the Farmers Market Support Program and Kentucky Double Dollars Program.

The Red Application Review Committee recommended funding the request for up to \$223,102 in State funds over a two year period and \$47,000 in State funds remaining from the 2019 project, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. Hinton moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented; Mr. Henderson seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

A2021-0019 Lincoln County 4-H Club Association, Incorporated

Ms. Carrico referenced the above application requesting \$1,000 in Lincoln County funds to purchase a building to serve as a ham house.

The Red Application Review Committee recommended funding the request up to \$1,000 in Lincoln County funds, subject to terms and conditions.

Mr. McKee moved to approve the committee recommendation, as presented: Ms. Moyer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

Pending Applications

Mr. McCloskey stated there is twelve (12) applications pending.

No action necessary on pending projects or programs.

Expired/Withdrawn Applications

Mr. McCloskey stated one (1) application (E.A. Biggs Farm- Meat Processing Investment Program Level 2) had been withdrawn.

No action necessary on expired or withdrawn applications.

Closing Remarks

In closing, Commissioner Quarles thanked KOAP for working hard to support Kentucky Agriculture and also thanked extension agents for their dedication especially those helping with flooding efforts. He reminded everyone of the upcoming strategic planning session for July 15 & 16 and encouraged anyone with questions to reach out.

Ms. Moyer reported the KY Hemp Association is having its annual conference virtually this year on April 8 and 9, 2021.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Quarles entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:49 a.m. (EDT).

Mr. Foree moved to adjourn the March KADB meeting; Mr. McKee seconded the motion

VOTE: Motion Passed; Unanimous.

APPROVED DATE: 6-3-21
PRESIDING OFFICER: Ryan Quarles
Commissioner Ryan Quarles
BOARD SECRETARY: Milinda Sosby
Milinda Sosby, Board Secretary

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1. A detailed list of the New Applications for Referral is attached as Appendix A.
 2. A detailed list of the applications funded under the listed programs is attached as Appendix B.
 3. A detailed list of amendments funded under the listed programs is attached as Appendix C.
 4. A copy of the Meat Processing Expansion Committee minutes is attached as Appendix D.
 5. A copy of the On-Farm Water Management Committee minutes is attached as Appendix E.
 6. A copy of the KADB Compliance Committee minutes is attached as Appendix F.
 7. A copy of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture Recipient Review Committee (KDA RRC) minutes is attached as Appendix G.
 8. A copy of the Kentucky Beef Network RRC minutes is attached as Appendix H.
 9. A copy of the Kentucky Horticulture Council RRC minutes is attached as Appendix I.
 10. A copy of the Blue Application Review Committee minutes is attached as Appendix J.
 11. A copy of the Red Application Review Committee is attached as Appendix K.

APPENDIX A: New Applications for Referral

APP #	APPLICANT	COUNTY	Cmte.
A2021-0023	Riverview Meat Company, LLC <i>Meat Processing Investment Program - Level 4</i>	Harrison	Processing
A2021-0024	Jessamine County FFA Alumni Association, Inc. <i>Jessamine County 4-H and FFA Cost-Share Program</i>	Jessamine	Red
A2021-0037	Washington County Fiscal Court <i>Trailer for Dead Animal Removal Program</i>	Washington	Red
A2021-0038	Kentucky State Beekeepers Association <i>Kentucky Certified Honey Program</i>	Anderson	Red
A2021-0039	The Berry Center, Inc. <i>Post-Covid local meat demand study</i>	Henry	Red
A2021-0040	Western Kentucky University Research Foundation, Inc. <i>WKU SmartHolstein Lab</i>	Warren	Red
A2021-0042	Continental Refining Company, LLC <i>Soybean Processing Facility</i>	Pulaski	Red

APPENDIX B: Programs Recommended for Approval

CAIP			
<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2021-0022	Bullitt County Conservation District	Bullitt	\$90,577.00
A2021-0027	Madison County Conservation District	Madison	\$228,673.00
A2021-0031	Washington County Cattlemen Association, Inc.	Washington	\$116,200.00
A2021-0034	Spencer County Conservation District	Spencer	\$125,000.00
A2021-0041	Owen County Farm Bureau, Inc.	Owen	\$5,000.00
			\$565,450.00
Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR)			
<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2021-0026	Madison County Conservation District	Madison	\$7,500.00
A2021-0033	Washington County Fiscal Court	Washington	\$11,344.00
A2021-0036	Spencer County Fiscal Court	Spencer	\$7,485.00
			\$26,329.00
Next Generation Farmer (NextGen)			
<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2021-0030	Washington County Cattlemen Association, Inc.	Washington	\$26,000.00
			\$26,000.00
Shared-Use Equipment Program			
<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2021-0028	Barren County Conservation District	Barren	\$17,195.00
			\$17,195.00
Youth Ag Incentives Program (Youth)			
<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2021-0029	Fayette County 4-H Council, Inc.	Fayette	\$7,500.00
A2021-0032	Washington County Cattlemen Association, Inc.	Washington	\$20,350.00
A2021-0035	Spencer County Conservation District	Spencer	\$5,100.00
			\$32,950.00

Programs Recommended for Approval

Total County Funds Recommended for Approval in Programs: **\$667,924.00**

APPENDIX C: Requested Program Amendments

App # A2020-0081
Applicant Name Jessamine County FFA Alumni
Original Amount Approved \$100,000
Execution Date 06/11/2020
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$60,000 in Jessamine County funds for the *CAIP Program*. The request received a high priority from the County Council.

This is the second request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.

Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$240,000.

Recommend Approval

App# A2020-0249
Applicant Name Christian County
Original Amount Approved \$200,000
Execution Date 01/26/2021
Requested Change The applicant requests all investment areas be changed to a Primary Focus. The request received a high priority from the County Council. This is the first request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.

Recommend Approval

App # A2020-0190
Applicant Name Barren County Conservation District
Original Amount Approved \$346,292
Execution Date 09/17/2020
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$29,520 in Barren County funds for the *CAIP Program*. The request received a high priority from the County Council.

This is the first request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.

Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$375,812.

Recommend Approval

APPENDIX C: Requested Program Amendments

App#	A2020-0266
Applicant Name	Northern Kentucky Cattle Association
Original Amount Approved	\$95,871
Execution Date	12/09/2020
Requested Change	<p>The applicant requests an <u>additional</u> \$15,462 in Boone County funds for the <i>CAIP Program</i>. The request received a <u>high</u> priority from the County Council.</p> <p>This is the first request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.</p> <p>Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$111,333</p> <p>Recommend Approval</p>

APPENDIX D: Meat Processing Expansion Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	Monday, March 8, 2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting Chair:	Wayne Hunt
Attendees:	Committee: Wayne Hunt, Dr. Gordon Jones, Pat Henderson, Bobby Foree, Tom McKee, Al Pedigo, and Keith Rogers KCARD Staff: Aleta Botts and Brent Lackey UK Staff: Dr. Gregg Rentfrow GOAP Staff: Dorsey Ridley, Bill McCloskey, Danielle Milbern, Renee Carrico, Brian Murphy, Sandra Gardner, Martin Williams, Kara Keeton, and Lindsay Bates Other: Bobby Pace, Tim Hughes, Valerie Samutin, Daniel Thompson, Kyle Turpen, Katelyn Hawkins, Dave Maples, Steve Hornback, David Kessler, and Becky Thompson.
Minutes Issued By:	Renee Carrico
Meeting Call to Order:	9:00 AM EDT
Meeting Adjourned:	11:14 AM EDT
Agenda Items:	
<p>I. Chairman Wayne Hunt called the meeting to order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members discussed and clarified meaning of previous month's minutes. • Motion was made by Pat Henderson and seconded by Dr. Gordon Jones to approve the previous meeting minutes. • Renee Carrico gave an overview of the meeting packet. <p>II. Application Review</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A2020-0144 Bluegrass Lamb Company \$250,000 State funds New USDA/GFSI Processing Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bobby Pace gave an overview of the site visit and executive summary listing his greatest concerns being: facility reaching GFSI compliance standards and identification of a food safety and quality assurance employee. • Valerie Samutin gave an overview of the accepted changes based on Mr. Pace's assessment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee was introduced Daniel Thompson as a new hire to Bluegrass Lamb. • Thompson gave an overview of his experience and qualifications for the role. • Ownership options included with salaries were explained for both Kessler and Thompson. • Motion was made by Bobby Foree to recommend the application to the Board for approval but died for lack of a second. • Mr. Hunt inquired if the applicant was willing to meet all needs discussed thus far in the meeting. 	

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- Ms. Samutin expressed their willingness to meet all needs.
- Steve Hornback gave an overview of the financing options and steps left to take for Bluegrass Lamb.
- Bill McCloskey mentioned the option to require documentation of GFSI approval prior to reimbursement of funds.
- Committee members discussed the need for meat processing experience in an employee while complimenting the project for have such a strong marketing program and plan.
- Ms. Carrico clarified how legal agreements are generally set up including 18 months for large construction projects to request reimbursement and how forgiveness is obtained.
- Motion was made by Mr. Rogers and seconded by Mr. Henderson to recommend funding the application given the below criteria:
 - 50% of funding (\$125,000) will be eligible for reimbursement upon GOAP receiving documentation of the facility's USDA certification.
 - The remaining 50% of funding (\$125,000) will be eligible for reimbursement upon GOAP receiving documentation of the facility's GFSI certification.
 - Submission of final budget to GOAP
 - Confirmation that no family member is profiting as a contractor on this project.
 - Approval of KADF Meat Processing Investment Program forgivable loan will be in 4th position
 - Documentation of employee with slaughter facility experience
 - All county money committed to the project can go above the \$250,000 but cannot exceed 50% of total project costs and will not be a part of the forgivable loan sum of funds.
- Motion passed unanimously.

A2020-0145 Summit Holdings, Inc.

\$249,922 State funds

Request for budget reallocation

- Danielle Milbern gave an overview of the request.
 - Committee members asked Kyle Turpen, Summit Holdings, Inc., questions for clarification.
- Motion was made by Mr. Pedigo and seconded by Mr. Foree to approve the request for funding.
Motion passed unanimously.

III. GFSI and Kroger Information Follow-up

- Ms. Carrico gave an overview of Kroger requirements in regard to Kentucky branded meat products and levels of the supply chain maintaining GFSI Compliance.
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IV. Strengthening Local Processing Act Bill

- Aleta Botts gave an overview of the bill recently announced in Congress as well as what processors are waiting on in regard to the next round of federal relief funding.

V. Update on Incoming Applications

- Ms. Carrico gave an overview of the upcoming timeline for applications for the April Q1 Meat Processing Investment Program Application Review Meeting.

VI. Additional Business

- Mr. Hunt expressed the continued need for true co-op opportunities in the livestock sector.
- Mr. McCloskey gave an update on the Foothills ownership change and the contract committee meeting for additional funding for the meat processing consultant.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting Date: April 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. EST via Zoom Video Conferencing

APPENDIX E: On-Farm Water Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	March 1, 2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Committee Chair:	Pat Henderson
Attendees:	Committee members: Fritz Giesecke, Pat Henderson, John Dix, Al Pedigo and Eddie Melton DOW Staff: Alice Mandt and Bill Caldwell KCARD: Spencer Guinn GOAP Staff: Renee Carrico, Bill McCloskey, and Milinda Sosby
Minutes Issued By:	Renee Carrico
Meeting Call to Order:	9:06 a.m. EDT
Meeting Adjourned:	10:42 a.m. EDT
Agenda Items:	
<p>I. Renee Carrico called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. EDT and reviewed packet materials.</p> <p>II. Producer Implemented Project A2021-0017 Glen Dean Farm INC. David Mackey and Carol Hinton, Glen Dean Farm INC, gave an overview of his project application and answered questions from committee members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee inquired on well issues, payback on project, cost of time hauling water, addition of 3rd barn for water harvesting, cistern size and chemical storage room retrofit. • Bill Caldwell gave an overview of the executive summary based on information gained from project application and phone conversation with applicants. He explained scheduling and weather conflicts to conduct a site visit with a plan to finalize one before the March KADB meeting. It was suggested that the third barn be used for additional water harvesting. <p>The Committee recommends funding the request based on updated bids and a completed site visit by Technical Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Motion made by Al Pedigo and seconded by Fritz Giesecke; passed unanimously.</p> <p>III. Small Scale Grant Projects Staff gave an overview of each Small Scale Grant Project as well as the Technical Advisory Group's scoring.</p> <p>The Committee recommends funding A2021-0015 Isaac Miller (\$6,881) pending \$25,000 in 2020 farm sales documentation is received by GOAP Staff.</p> <p>Motion made by Pat Henderson and seconded by Eddie Melton; passed unanimously.</p> <p>The Committee recommends pending A2021-0016 Porter Allen (\$10,000) until new budget with only expenses associated with raising the dam are included, gross farm income is confirmed.</p>	

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Motion made by Mr. Melton and seconded by Mr. Henderson; passed unanimously.

IV. Updates on Current Projects

Staff gave an overview of all active On-Farm Water Management Projects and presented the following for reference:

Total Funds Committed (2017-2020): \$582,172

Total Funds Available as of 11/1/2020: \$843,896

Counties Impacted: 14 approved

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPENDIX F: KADB Compliance Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	March 9, 2021
Meeting Location:	GOAP <i>via</i> Zoom Meeting ID: 972 5640 8808
Meeting Chair:	Sandra Gardner, Director of Compliance & Outreach
Attendees:	Committee: Mark Barker, Sarah Butler, Bobby Foree, Pat Henderson Staff: D. Ridley, L. Bates, R. Carrico, D. Carrier, S. Gardner, B. McCloskey, D. Milbern, B. Murphy, M. Williams Guests: C. Dewrell, D. Hardin, T. Tarter
Minutes Issued By:	Sandra Gardner
Meeting Call to Order:	8:33 a.m. EST
Meeting Adjourned:	9:31 a.m. EST
Agenda Items:	
<p>I. Previous Meeting Minutes The Committee reviewed the minutes of its Dec. 8, 2020 regular meeting. Staff also noted that the committee minutes for the regular meeting were approved in January as part of the full KADB December meeting minutes.</p> <p>II. Request American Black Hereford Association (ABHA) - A2017-0025</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Renee Carrico presented a memo with a request from ABHA to be released from its obligation of a pro-rated payback of funds, if the ABHA national headquarters is located outside Kentucky. 2. Ms. Carrico noted that a similar request had been made in Dec. 2019, but was withdrawn by the Recipient after an unfavorable recommendation. 3. After review and much discussion, <i>Pat Henderson moved to require the pro-rated payback of funds for the remaining months of the agreements, starting January 1, 2021, to fulfill the terms of the contract; Mr. Foree seconded the motion.</i> The motion passed. <p>Action: Staff will prepare a memo with the recommendation to the full board in March. It was noted later in the meeting that the committee is willing to work with the Recipient on a payment plan if needed, and requested staff obtain updated financial statements ahead of the March KADB meeting.</p> <p>III. Updates & Discussions</p> <p>A. Foothills Products and Services, Inc. (A2008-0280) Brian Murphy reviewed previous action by the committee related to this project and updated the committee on the status. The project now has new owners. Action: Staff will update documents and records, showing the new owners.</p> <p>B. Ohio Valley Farm Analysis Group (A2019-0024) Sandra Gardner updated the committee on the status of this project, noting that an updated expenditure report is forthcoming and the groups board has yet to meet to determine its path forward.</p>	

Action: Staff will forward updated report when available.

IV. Compliance Review

- A.** The list of twelve (10) **0-2% interest loans** was reviewed. Updates and discussions were had on The Weekly Juicery and Kentucky Nutrition Services loans.
- B.** The list of open **forgivable loans** was reviewed. Staff noted that two would mature this year.
- C.** The list of projects/programs with **reporting 31 or more days late** was reviewed. Out of 570 active projects/programs, 9 were listed. Staff provided updates follow-up activities for each.
- D.** An update on the County Initiatives was given by staff
County Agricultural Development Councils (2020-2022):
102 complete; 11 incomplete; 6 not submitted; 1 submitted status TBD

County Plans for Agricultural Development (5-year update):
114 submitted

- v. Next Regular Quarterly Meeting – June 2021**
Additional special meetings may be called, as needed.

- vi. Meeting adjourned** by acclamation at 9:31 a.m. EST.

APPENDIX G: KDA Recipient Review Committee Minutes

Meeting Date:	March 18, 2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting Chair:	Renee Carrico
Attendees:	Members: Pat Henderson, Sarah Butler, Wayne Hunt, and Katie Moyer. KDA Staff: Melanie McPartlin, Chad Smith, Tyler Madison, and David Morris. GOAP Staff: Bill McCloskey, Sandra Gardner, Dorsey Ridley, Brian Murphy, Martin Williams, Kara Keeton, and Renee Carrico
Minutes Issued By:	Renee Carrico
Meeting Call to Order:	9:02 AM EST
Meeting Adjourned:	10:05 AM EST

Agenda Items:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A2018-0169 Grant (Budget) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reviewed the various budget categories and return of unencumbered funds. 2. A2018-0169 Grant (Benchmarks) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. POP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42 grantees were reimbursed during this reporting period 15 grantees being first time applicants. • Reported total direct Kentucky farm impact for grants awarded during this period was over \$1,000,000,000. • KDA requested that an extension be offered to those that have been approved for POP grants but are affected by the flooding in Eastern Kentucky. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members clarified that those being offered additional time are in county's declared a state of emergency. • Request was approved by all committee members. b. Branding & Advertising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2020 Kentucky Proud Membership surpassed 10,000 members • This is a 60% increase in membership since 2017. • KDA Staff noted a decrease in sponsorships due to cancellation of events. • Farmers Market Campaign was a success with new forms of geotracking used to determine how many people see the ad and then attend that market. • Roger Snell's retirement was noted by the group and committee members were given Ms. McPartlin and Mr. Smith as contacts to give to those interested in entering the retail market. • Work with Kroger is still being done to expand KY Cheese Cares, add a Kentucky pork product and add harvestland chicken products. c. Buy Local <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reimbursements were down 33% in the third quarter in comparison to

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Agenda Items:

- 2018 and 2019.
 - Despite the decline in restaurant activity, participants reported more than \$1.3 million in direct farm impact purchases through the end of the third period.
 - d. LAND
 - This will be the last report that includes LAND activities due to funding coming from the Ag Tag program in the future.
 - All events were handled virtually in the 3rd quarter.
 - e. Farm-to-Fork
 - COVID-19 restricting the majority of planned events and alternatives were utilized.
 - Seven events were approved, however, three were cancelled.
 - \$10,300 was donated to charities from events that were held in 2020.
3. Other:
- a. The next meeting of the Recipient Review Committee will be in October.
 - b. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPENDIX H: Kentucky Beef Network Recipient Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	Thursday, March 18, 2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting Chair:	Bill McCloskey
Attendees:	Committee: Robbie Williams, Matt Hinton, John Chism, Al Pedigo and Thomas McKee GOAP Staff: Dorsey Ridley, Brian Murphy, Martin Williams, and Sandra Gardner UK: Dr. Darrh Bullock, Dr. Katie VanValin, Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler and Dr. Les Anderson KBN: Dave Maples, Becky Thompson and Dan Miller
Minutes Issued By:	Martin Williams
Meeting Call to Order:	2:00 PM EST
Meeting Adjourned:	3:26 PM EST

Agenda Items:

- I. Bill McCloskey called the meeting to order.
- II. Program Overview
 1. PVAP Program
 - o Becky Thompson and Dr. Les Anderson reported on the successes of the Pre- and Post-Weaning Value Added Programs.
 2. Value Chain Marketing Program
 - o Becky Thompson highlighted that through support of the Kentucky Livestock Association and Kentucky Beef Council that BQA certification will be provided for free until December 31st and that they were able to add some webinars due to COVID-19.
 - o The committee enters some discussion on BQA certification and how to get certified
 - o Dave Maples expands on Becky Thompson's report through discussing the large number of cattle involved in cattle traceability tags.
 3. IRM Program
 - o Dr. Les Anderson provides a report on the IRM program emphasizing that their number of new farms reached slowed towards the end of the year and they weaned the state towards not having the program since it is being replaced with a fat cattle/finishing cattle class format to try and capture the current freezer beef market.
 - o The committee enters some discussion on the new local beef market inspired by COVID.
 4. LEAF Program
 - o Becky Thompson reports on the LEAF program and lets Dan Miller share about the improvements made to Eden Shale.
 - o Dr. Anderson touches on mimicking the Eden Shale operation at the University of Kentucky Princeton farm.
 5. KBN Field Associates

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- Dan Miller reports on how busy the KBN Field Associates have been and how they have persevered through COVID which Al Pedigo compliments the associates for their hard work.

6. Cow/Calf Profitability Conferences

- Becky Thompson reports on the Cow/Calf Profitability Conferences and gives Dr. Kenny Burdine, from the University of Kentucky, credit for helping coordinate and translate the rest of these conferences to a virtual format set to start this upcoming week.

7. Applied Master Cattlemen

- Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler reports on the Applied Master Cattlemen program and explains that COVID posed some challenges for them, but they were able to adjust providing an on-demand video format and utilizing google forms to ensure producers qualify for the educational requirement.

8. Master Cattlemen

- Dr. Daarh Bullock reports on the Master Cattlemen program sharing that they would be moving to an online format, but they seemed to be having high quality participants.
- Committee members discuss the pros and cons of moving everything online and whether all beef meetings will be done virtually from COVID on.
- Dr. Les Anderson briefly mentioned benefits the assistance the Extnd application will provide in maintaining an educational connection with producers.

9. Master Grazer

- Becky Thompson provided an update on the Master Grazer program and how they moved their two grazing conferences online, but were still able to hold fencing schools which have been well received according to Dr. Lehmkuhler.
- Dr. Katie VanValin gave a quick report on the work done for the finishing cattle program.

III. Questions

- Bill McCloskey asks for questions/comments from the committee members, all of which shared their immense applause for KBN adapting to the COVID situation and expanding their reach through virtual interaction.

IV. Budget Review

- Sandra Gardner shares the amount sent back to be #104,776 while the currently encumbered rests at \$90,262, which should be spent by June 30th.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting Date: October 14th, 2021

APPENDIX I: KY Horticulture Council Recipient Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	March 19, 2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Meeting
Committee Chair:	Dr. Kirk Pomper
Attendees:	Committee members: Bobby Foree, Fritz Giesecke, Dr. Kirk Pomper, Keith Rogers GOAP staff: Bill McCloskey, Dorsey Ridley, Danielle Milbern, Sandra Gardner, Diana Carrier, Martin Williams, Brian Murphy and Milinda Sosby KHC staff: Cindy Finneseth
Minutes Issued By:	Danielle Milbern
Meeting Call to Order:	8:15 a.m.
Meeting Adjourned:	9:18 a.m.
Agenda Items:	
<p>I. A2018-0189 Grant</p> <p>A. <u>Financial Information</u> Dr. Finneseth gave the Committee an update on Kentucky Horticultural Council (KHC) finances and where the organization would be at the end of 2021.</p> <p>B. Benchmarks, Goals & Objectives – Progress Update The committee reviewed the progress KHC has made in all program areas.</p> <p>C. Other The Committee and Dr. Finneseth went over the Fruit and Vegetable Conference and Kentucky Horticultural current market and prospective markets in the future.</p>	
Next Meeting: June 17, 2021 at 9:00am	

APPENDIX J: Blue Application Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	3/19/2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting Chair:	Bill McCloskey
Attendees:	Committee Members: Bobby Foree, Sarah Butler, Wayne Hunt, Al Pedigo, Katie Moyer and Keith Rogers GOAP Staff: Dorsey Ridley, Bill McCloskey, Danielle Milbern, Brian Murphy, Renee Carrico, Sandra Gardner, Kara Keeton, Milinda Sosby. KCARD: Aleta Botts
Minutes Issued By:	Danielle Milbern
Meeting Call to Order:	9:33 a.m.
Meeting Adjourned:	9:46 a.m.

Agenda Items:
1. A2018-0225 Kentucky State Beekeepers Association a.) Committee recommends approving the budget amendment request and a three month time extension.

APPENDIX K: Red Application Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	3/19/2021
Meeting Location:	Zoom Video Conferencing
Meeting Chair:	Bill McCloskey
Attendees:	Committee Members: Pat Henderson, Robbie Williams, Dr. Kirk Pomper, Mark Barker and Keith Rogers. GOAP Staff: Dorsey Ridley, Bill McCloskey, Danielle Milbern, Brian Murphy, Renee Carrico, Sandra Gardner, and Milinda Sosby Other: Aleta Botts and Brent Lackey
Minutes Issued By:	Danielle Milbern
Meeting Call to Order:	12:05p.m.
Meeting Adjourned:	2:30 p.m.

Agenda Items:	
1. A2020-0023	The Winchester Clark County Farmers' Market, Inc. a.) The Committee recommends funding the request for \$15,000 in State funds.
2. A2021-0024	Jessamine County FFA Alumni Association, Inc. a.) The Committee recommends funding \$8,000 in Jessamine County for Youth Cost-share Program.
3. A2021-0037	Washington County Fiscal Court a.) The Committee recommends funding \$6,953 in Washington County funds for Dead Animal Removal Trailer.
4. A2021-0038	Kentucky State Beekeepers a.) The Committee recommends pending the application, at the recipients request, until the April meeting.
5. A2021-0039	The Berry Center, Inc. a.) The Committee recommends pending the application until the April meeting.
6. A2021-0040	Western Kentucky University Research Foundation, Inc. a.) The Committee recommends funding \$227,896 in State funds for WKU Smart Holstein Lab and \$1per \$1, only need proof of an invoice for reimbursement.
7. A2021-0042	Continental Refining Company, LLC a.) The Committee recommends pending the application until the April meeting.