

# **Budget & Audit Committee Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM PT Hyatt Manchester Hotel, San Diego, CA

Cortez Hill



## Call to Order

Chair Seth Denbow called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM PT and welcomed everyone. Mr. Denbow recognized Legal Counsel, USDA-AMS and CBB Staff. He then asked Sami Ichrist to call roll of the committee members and recognized a quorum to do business.

#### Members Present

Seth Denbow, Chair Sarah Childs Dave Hamilton Jason Hitch, Vice Chair Mark Sustaire VeaBea Thomas Claudia Wright

#### Members Absent

Ryan Moorhouse, Ex-Officio Dan Kniffen

## **Officers/Staff/Guests Present**

Legal Counsel Watkinson & Miller Wayne Watkinson

Cattlemen's Beef Board Staff Sara Arp Davis Gidney Greg Hanes Sami Ichrist Jeff Lutz Sarah Metzler Chad Smith Beka Wall <u>USDA-AMS</u> Jeana Harbison Kinley Hartman

<u>CBB Officers</u> Jimmy Taylor Andy Bishop Norman Voyles, Jr.

<u>Guests</u> Jay Calhoun, CBB Trish Dowton, CBB Gwen Geis, CBB Jeri Hanson, CBB T.K. Kuwahara, ISBC Steve Springer, CBB

## <u>Agenda</u>

Chair Seth Denbow called for approval of the agenda. <u>Mark Sustaire moved, and VeaBea Thomas</u> seconded to approve the agenda as emailed. Motion passed.



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## <u>Minutes</u>

Chair Seth Denbow asked if there were any additions or changes to the May 9, 2023, minutes. <u>Claudia</u> <u>Wright moved, and Sarah Childs seconded to approve the May 9, 2023, minutes as presented. Motion</u> <u>passed.</u>

## Financial Report for June FY 2023

Jeff Lutz, CBB CFO, presented the Beef Board's financial statements for the period ending June 2023. He reported that the Board's total assessment revenues for the first nine months of FY 2023 were approximately \$32.6 million. Mr. Lutz also reported on the changes in certain CBB balance sheet items, program expenses, USDA, Supporting Services and Litigation and Administration expenses compared to the same time last year.

## Presentation of FY 2023 Audit Procedures – CliftonLarsonAllen

Chris Prenger, CliftonLarsonAllen, presented their planned FY 2023 audit procedures.

## Presentation of FY 2023 Audit Engagement Letter – CliftonLarsonAllen

Chris Prenger, CliftonLarsonAllen, presented their FY 2023 audit engagement letter stating that last year they moved to a Master Service Agreement model and the scope of work remains the same.

## Update on Contractor Compliance Reviews

CFO Jeff Lutz gave a review of the Contractor reimbursement process and noted there were no issues with Contractor reimbursements.

## **Other Business**

Seeing that there was no other business, <u>Dave Hamilton moved</u>, and Sarah Childs seconded to enter <u>Executive Session with CliftonLarsonAllen at 8:37 AM PT</u>.

## Executive Session with CliftonLarsonAllen

Mark Sustaire moved, and VeaBea Thomas seconded to exit Executive Session at 8:52 AM PT.

## <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business, <u>Claudia Wright moved</u>, and <u>Sarah Childs seconded to adjourn at 8:52</u> <u>AM PT</u>.