## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

# Minutes January 25, 2021 Via Zoom

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Convened at 3:32 p.m. CST

Attendance: Guido van der Hoeven, Connie Smotek, Clark Garland, Kathy Roe, Adam Kantrovich, Angela Ossian, Clair Twardy, Greg Bouchard, Mark Ribas, Alan Galloway, Mary Sobba, Robert Jamison, JC Hobbs, Travis Mountain, Rob Holcomb, Lori Miller, Kilee Haase, Matias Nardi, Larry Borton, Bill Van Lokeren, Seth Anderson, Bill Klump, Barry Ward, Tom Muldoon, Michael Langemeier (by proxy), Kistine Tidgren, Alan Spencer, Alicia Anderson, Helen Weber, John Jones, and Robert Betts.

**Minutes:** Kantrovich moved and Hobbs seconded motion to approve minutes for January 27, 2020 (correction of date in the Agenda from January 22, 2021 to January 27, 2020). Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Smotek presented financial status of the foundation as of the end of 2020 and the 2021 budget as approved January 22, 2021. Discussion of budget status followed. Book price approved at \$29 for physical NITW book; \$21 for digital NITW book; Ag Tax Issues book remains the same at \$33 for physical book and \$25 for digital book. Klump moved and Hobbs seconded motion to approve 2021 budget and book prices. Motion carried.

#### **Ratification of Officer/Director actions:**

Ballots containing the following language: "I ratify all actions of the Officers and Directors for 2020 as evidenced in the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors included in the January 2021 meeting handbook."

Nominees were presented by the Nominating Committee to be Rob Holcomb and Kathy Roe. Ballots were distributed prior to the meeting. No additional nominations were received. Hobbs moved and Ward seconded motion to close nominations. Motion approved. Borton moved and Kantrovich seconded that a unanimous ballot be used. Motion carried. Nominees elected by unanimous ballot.

**Update on Urban Ag book:** Holcomb discussed briefly and will report with budget and more information at Board meeting on January 26.

#### **Announcements:**

a. **First Workshop Dates – October 23, 2021** (Books to the printer by September 15, 2021. Books delivered October 22, 2021 – note this is only one business day before first class date). Extra expedited shipping for delivery October 21, 2021.

- b. **July Editing meeting: July 26-28, 2021** Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT Note The room block decreases, 90, 60, and 30 days before the meeting make reservations early. LGUTEF room policy in effect.
- c. Tentative dates
  - i. January 23-25, 2022, San Antonio, TX
  - ii. July 20-22, 2022 (may consider moving dates back to Wed-Fri)

**Issues from the Floor:** Bill Klump was recognized for his service to LGUTEF since its inception and wish Bill all the best in his retirement.

Motion was made by Borton and seconded by Bouchard adjourn. Motion Approved 4:12 p.m.

Submitted by Connie Smotek, CAO.