



# Connecticut Milk Promotion Board

State of Connecticut  
Department of Agriculture

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2021

9:00 AM

Microsoft Teams meeting

**Members Present:** Chairman Paul Miller, Seth Bahler, Joe Greenbacker, Jon Hermonot  
**Members Absent:** Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt  
**DoAg staff:** Rebecca Eddy, Lindsay Raymond, Amanda King  
**Guests:** Jenny Karl from New England Dairy and James "Cricket" Jacquier of Laurelbrook Farm

- 1. Welcome:** Chairman Miller called meeting called to order at 9:03 a.m.
- 2. Public Comment:** Cricket Jaquier shared that there is an upcoming Agri-Mark meeting on Thursday, 3/18. Jenny Karl had no formal comments.
- 3. Appointments:** Amanda Freund and Jaime Foster have resigned from their positions on the MPB and there has been no formal announcement on appointment replacements for them. Seth Bahler has been reappointed and Paul Miller's appointment is currently being worked on. Joe Greenbacker announced that he does not wish to be reappointed and intends to resign in the near future. A discussion ensued on the need for board member appointment suggestions and to consider board members that geographically represent the state. Board members are legislatively appointed and Chairman Miller would like to see appointment suggestions before the April MPB meeting. A letter of intent and resume is required for new board member suggestions.
- 4. Board Member Training**  
There will be an e-mail forthcoming on ethics and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) training for board members. This is the same for all CT DoAg Boards, Councils, and Commissions and is not specific to the MPB. Chairman Miller reminded the board that communications are public knowledge and individuals can request that information through FOIA.
- 5. FY 21-22 RFP/Contract Process:** Chairman Miller asked for motion to start special session and members from the public are removed from the meeting. Jon Hermonot motioned to enter into special session. Seth Bahler seconded. All in favor, motion passes.

Chairman Miller asked for a motion to adjourn the special meeting session. Seth Bahler motioned to end special meeting session. Joe Greenbacker seconded. All in favor, motion passes.

- 6. Adjourn:** Seth Bahler motioned to adjourn meeting, Joe Greenbacker seconded. All in favor, motion passes. Meeting is adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Amanda King, AMIR 1, March 17, 2021.*

