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Connecticut Farm Wine Development Council (CFWDC)

Special Meeting Minutes for February 14, 2014

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Farm Winery Attendees

None.

Department of Agriculture Attendees

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Guests None.

1. Call to order

The special meeting was called to order at 2:02pm via conference call by Chairman Steven Reviczky from room 129 at 165 Capitol Avenue in Hartford, CT.

2. 2014 Guidelines for Participation in the Passport Program and Designated CT Grown Farm Winery Program

- The Council discussed the 2013 Guidelines for Participation in the Passport Program. 2.1
- It was suggested that number 15 be changed to read that if aerial photos were already on file from the previous 2.2 year that aerial photos were not required unless a winery was new to the program, or there was a change (more or less) to the acres in production.
- It was also suggested that the meeting on February 24, 2014 be mandatory for participation in the 2014 program. 2.3
- A motion was made by Gary Crump and seconded by George Motel to adopt the modified Guidelines for 2.4 Participation for the 2014 program year. The motion passed unanimously.
- There was discussion on the new voluntary program, A Designated CT Grown Farm Winery, recommended by 2.3 the Passport Subcommittee.
- 2.4 There was a suggestion to revise the language regarding a waiver for weather events and that the waiver would be subject to an audit by the Department of Agriculture.
- 2.5 A motion was made by Gary Crump and seconded by Bill Hopkins to adopt the new program as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

The special meeting was adjourned at 2:29pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaime L. Smith Acting Secretary