

FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

CRITERIA SUBCOMMITTEE

Minutes – October 13, 2009 Meeting

Members present: John Guskowski, Steve Reviczky

Others present: J. Dippel, Katherine Winslow, Bill Duesing, Kip Kolesinkas,
and Jiff Martin

- I. Call to Order: Chairman John Guskowski called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m. at CT Farm Bureau in Windsor.
- II. Review and Approval of September 9, 2009 meeting minutes: The minutes were distributed and approved (Reviczky/Guskowski – unanimous).
- III. Old Business:

Discuss small farm examples provided by committee members: No examples were presented.

Review and discuss revised criteria in two-tier system: DoAg staff distributed the revised draft score sheet (criteria), results/comments on two tier system, and summary of draft scores. Winslow reported on the summary score sheet of farms scored by DoAg and Elisabeth Moore of Connecticut Farmland Trust. Winslow explained the comments sheet included results showing the highest and lowest scores per question. Discussion followed and suggestions were made to further revise the criteria, and track the top four ideal community farms using the changes made. The subcommittee hopes to bring a final draft to the Farmland Preservation Advisory Board at its December meeting.
- IV. New Business: No new business was discussed.
- V. Schedule Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Criteria subcommittee was scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. at the CT Farm Bureau in Windsor.
- VI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. (Guskowski/Reviczky).

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Katherine Winslow on October 22, 2009