Minnesota Soil Health Coalition Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 2nd, 2021 10:00am - 12pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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- Called the meeting to order 10:02 Dwire
- Approved agenda (Labat, Fick)
- Consent Agenda approved (Schmidt, Labat)
 - o Approve prior months meeting minutes
 - Treasurers report
 - Coalition Coordinator report
- Board member reports Labat-webinars, winter virtual event series. Schmidt-working to improve the CRP grazing
 program. Dwire-working with PFI on N rate program. Hesse-cover crops, farms from Le Salle to the SD border.
 Fick-working with the Rock County Fair board for the 2021 fair presentation and working with the Rock County
 Soil Health Group.
- Reimbursements Jennifer Hahn \$2,119.68 (Schmidt, Fick) Farmer presenters at the Winter Virtual Series events \$100 per farmer/event, total of \$800 (Schmidt, Labat)
- Break
- Land O'Lakes Truterra, Spencer Herbert information about Truterra and the TruCarbon programs
- Committee reports
 - Outreach/Education
 - Winter Virtual Soil Health Series participants ranging from 58 to 90 at each event, great conversations and feedback, all recorded and available on the website and YouTube
 - Soil Health School-tentatively plan for September 9th & 10th, develop committee Cotter, Labat,
 Dwire, and other members in the SE, tentatively at Cotter's farm
 - o Interviews-what month is yours
 - Pictures-what month is yours
 - Fundraising/financial
 - Working on a LCCMR proposal
 - MDA grant partnered on obtained for research
 - Amendment with NRCS moving forward Determine mentor engagement and activities, provide to NRCS
 - Personnel Committee (closed session)
 - Update moving forward with hiring of the Field Coordinator. Jennifer Hahn's last day with the Coalition is April 30th.
- Adjourned 12:35pm (Labat, Schmidt)



<u>Attendees</u>

Ben Dwire

Chris Schmidt

Jamie Labat

Tom Fick

Dawn Breitkreutz

Grant Breitkreutz

Nathan Hesse

Kristin Brennan

Spencer Herbert

Tom Cotter

Ryan Galbreath

Jennifer Hahn

