

CONNECTICUT POULTRY ASSOCIATION, INC.

General Meeting

7 PM, Tuesday, June 5th, 2018

Room 209, George White Building (Animal Science)

University of Connecticut, Storrs 06269-4040

<http://www.ctpoultry.org>

MINUTES

Call to Order and Introductions – The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by CPA President Nicole McKay.

Members Present: Nicole McKay, Melanie Exley, Eleanore Provencal, Mike Pennington, AmyJo Labbe, Sean Labbe, Morris Burr, Erica Scherzer, Rich Ray, Dale Allen

Regrets - Stephanie Cornell

Secretary's Report: Passed out the minutes from the last meeting (April 10, 2018). Minutes accepted at 7:15pm.

Treasurer's Report: Eleanore passed out report as of May 15th, 2018. Not much activity. Check of \$200 to 4H for the sock and keychain fundraiser. Went over other purchases and expenses. Will look to order 2 more tri-folds. Accepted at 7:19.

MPPU Update: Email Stephanie Cornell at scornell06@gmail.com for any updates directly. Truck is currently in need of repair. Looking for other farms that can run a dock. She got a price for the springs, about \$1000. Has it's new batteries. Once springs get repaired, it can be driven and setup on her farm in Willington.

Legal Food Hub - Pro Bono help in getting to be a 501C, so we can apply for grants and accept donations. They work with non-profits and small farmers. Out of Yale Law School. We are looking to create a sub 501.3C. Or create a brand new 501.3c. Sub would cover education and outreach, more like a marketing group. Make a motion to pursue the Legal Food Hub, motion passed at 7:32pm. Nicole signed the documents needed to start the process.

Web/Social Media Report - Mike created a new Facebook Page for the CPA. We've tried to contact John about the old page with no luck. I'm trying to get access back or get it removed via Facebook but it looks almost impossible.

New Member Recruitment - Still in the works

AEB- grants update. Future grants -

- 1 - Need to still spend the money, no Cornacopia this year.
- 2 - Sigma Alpha, AG sorority, interested in eggucation, events at library, etc.
- 3 - Go to more fairs, incubator needed that was provided by Dr. Darre.
- 4 - \$10,250 needs to be spent, Hillendale is buying literature.
- 5 - Possibly talk to Tractor Supply or Runnings
- 6 - Order products as possible giveaways, farmers markets, libraries.

Eleanore will be ordering multiple items

Give donations to 4H fairs as 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners. Create goodies bags to give away. Nicole will email the 4H coordinators.

High school as well, voag schools. Get them involved. Supervised Agricultural Experience

Chicken Store being built soon at The Hatching House - Give AmyJo some literature for store.

AEB Conference - July 18th to 20th, in Chicago. Who can go? Nicole and Rich Ray!

“New” Dr. Darre - McKenzie White from Tolland Extension will be the new Dr. Darre and direct poultry questions to us or the proper folks.

Next Meeting - Tues July 24th 7:00PM - Room 209 reserved.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Pennington-Martel, Secretary to the CPA.

All CPA meetings are open to all who have an interest or stake in the poultry industry. All poultry producers are encouraged to attend and provide input to the business of the association.