

2011 KFB Agricultural Advisory Committee Meetings Summary and Recommendations

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Summary Data	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
For National Policy Development ¹	5	8 – 3	6 – 1	1 – 0	4 – 1	1 – 0	8 – 1
For State Policy Development	6	4 – 2	1 – 0	6 – 6	4 – 3	4 – 1	2 – 0
For Board Action	5	9	10	15	17	5	7
For Board Information	11	8	6	13	10	17	9
Total Recommendations	27	29	23	35	35	27	26

The 2011 Commodity Conference and Committee meetings scheduled for February 8-9, 2011, were cancelled due to snow and then rescheduled as individual committee meetings held at the Ramada Conference Center, Salina. In all, fifty-four of eighty total members were able to attend (68%).

The Wheat Advisory Committee met on February 17, 2011. Eight members present: Leslie Berndt (Chair), Scott Van Allen, Larry Dearden, Lance Coburn, Harry Fowler, David Sasse, Ben McClure, Jason Stallman and Board Liaison, Keith Miller. Guests: Allan Fritz (Kansas State University), Jerry McReynolds (KFB Board Member). Staff: Mark Nelson, Diane Hoobler. 2012 Elected Chair: Ben McClure.

The Beef Advisory Committee met on February 18, 2011. Eight members present: Clint Hornberger (Chair), Kyle Baker, Marcy Ward, Jason Harries, Bryan Reinert, Tom L'Ecuyer, Dennis Ricke, Darrell Monfort and Board Liaison, Joe Jury. Guests: Dr. Bill Brown and Kendra Riley, both with the Kansas Department of Animal Health and Keith Miller (USMEF Chairman and KFB Board Member). Staff: Nancy Brown, Dale Maneth. 2012 Elected Chair: Clint Hornberger.

The Hay and Forage Advisory Committee met on February 18, 2011. Eight members present: Steve Boor (Chair), Charlie Kindall, Kyle Schartz, Kevin Holle, Boyd Westeman, Randy Bunnell, Bo Downing, Craig Allison and Board Liaison, George Pretz. Staff: Mark Nelson, Brenden Wirth. 2012 Elected Chair: Steve Boor.

The Feedgrains Advisory Committee met on February 28, 2011. Six members present: Stan Townsend (Chair), Serena Jones, Adam Baldwin, Paul Myers, Tom Deneke, Chris Sale and Board Liaison, Jim Sipes. Guests: Jim Butler (Kansas Geological Survey), Edie Dahlsten (KFB Board Member). Staff: Mark Nelson, Diane Hoobler. 2012 Elected Chair: Adam Baldwin.

The Sheep/Goat Advisory Committee met on February 28, 2011. Five members present: Tom Clayman (Chair), Charlie Stroble, Michelle Zongker, Carl Hamilton, Brian Faris and Board Liaison, Richard Felts. Guests: Dr. Brian Faris and Dr. Meredyth Jones (Kansas State University). Staff: Nancy Brown. 2012 Elected Chair: Tom Clayman.

The Dairy Advisory Committee met on March 3, 2011. Six members present: Justin Ohlde (Chair), Luke Brandenburg, David Foster, Jim Schmidt, Fred Meng, Raymond Sundstrom and Board Liaison, Bob Voegelé. Guest: Mike Bodenhausen (Kansas Dairy Association/Kansas Dairy Commission). Staff: Nancy Brown. 2012 Elected Chair: David Foster.

¹ Recommendations for both National and State Policy are recorded as two numbers (i.e. 1 – 1) referring first to the number of recommendations made and then the number that were forwarded and ultimately approved as national or state policy.

The Swine Advisory Committee met on March 10, 2011. Five members present: Scott Pfortmiller (Chair), Ron Korber, Aubrea Winter, Mike Bellar, Loren Baldwin and Board Liaison, Craig Stephenson. Guest: Glynn Tonsor (Kansas State University). Staff: Nancy Brown. 2012 Elected Chair: Aubrea Winter.

The Oilseeds Advisory Committee met on March 10, 2011. Eight members present: Bob Haselwood (Chair), Gary White, Todd Tobin, Tom Phillips, Mike Patry, Jim Borgerding, Bill Seyb and Ken Higley. Guests: Robert Miller (Kansas Cotton Association), Dick Cooper (Plains Cotton Cooperative Association). Staff: Mark Nelson. 2012 Elected Chair: Tom Phillips.

Attendance by District

District 1 – 5 of 8	(62.5%)
District 2 – 6 of 8	(75.0%)
District 3 – 4 of 8	(50.0%)
District 4 – 6 of 8	(75.0%)
District 5 – 6 of 8	(75.0%)
District 6 – 5 of 7	(71.4%)
District 7 – 8 of 8	(100.0%)
District 8 – 3 of 6	(50.0%)
District 9 – 4 of 8	(50.0%)
District 10 – 6 of 8	(75.0%)
At-Large – 1 of 3	(33.3%)
Totals – 54 of 80	(67.5%)

Crop Risk Management

Wheat Recommendation: For National Policy Development – #221, Commodity Futures and Options, at line 61, insert an additional item that, “We will:”

(17) Support research for the development of effective risk management tools for hedging input costs.

Explanation: As production costs continue to escalate, producers need as many tools as possible to manage the increasing risk associated with production inputs.

Moved by Jason Stallman, second, Lance Coburn.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts, was passed at the KFB Annual meeting and.
- Status: Incomplete

Feedgrains Recommendation: For National Policy Development – #225, Risk Management/Crop Insurance, under, “We Support,” item (37) beginning on line 109:

(37) USDA developing standard production evidence procedures for both FSA and crop insurance purposes; **These procedures should allow producers to separate on a combined/comingled scale ticket the last bushels harvested in one unit from the first bushels harvested in a second unit.**

Explanation: When the last bushels harvested from an insured unit are much less than a load, it makes economic sense to combine/comingled those bushels with the bushels of the next unit. This suggested policy, if put into regulations is intended to allow producers to allocate bushels between two separate units when comingled on a single load and scale ticket. Current RMA rules dictate separate scale tickets for each separately insured unit, especially when making claims. This suggested policy is

becoming increasingly necessary as more producers own semi-truck trailers (which may not be split) and third party or elevator scales are often 15 or more miles away. Additionally, this would be helpful for farms needing to separate the production of dryland corners from irrigated circles.

Moved by Paul Myers, second, Serena Jones.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) DID NOT advance this recommendation. The committee had concerns relating to how it might impact landlords, in that the comingling of bushels of one landlord with the bushels of another landlord (or the tenant) could lead to an inaccurate accounting. The committee fully acknowledges that the vast majority of farmers would have no intention of shorting a landlord but believe that by keeping bushels separated by unit, there would be less likelihood that a landlord would suspect any wrongdoing.
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Feedgrains Recommendation: For Board Action – **The Feedgrains Committee recommends that KFB take a leadership role in developing a coalition of commodity organizations to create a grain indemnity fund for Kansas.**

Explanation: KFB Policy AG-4, Agricultural Commodity Storage, states that, “We support the creation of a Kansas Indemnity fund.” The committee believes that statement is sound policy and that a grain indemnity program, funded by producers, is vitally needed but they also believe that it will require strong leadership and a coalition of farmers and farm/commodity organizations working together to achieve it. The committee recommends that KFB provide that leadership.

Moved by Adam Baldwin, second, Paul Myers.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to staff for more study and re-presentation to the Board.
- Action: Staff developed an indemnity fund outline which was reviewed by the KFB Board and shared with the Ag Advisory Committees for their review and input.
- Status: Incomplete

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Moved by Gary White, second Ken Higley.

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Commodity Promotion and Checkoffs

Wheat Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-12, Commodity Promotion Programs.

New paragraph:

We support increased assessments when necessary to maintain adequate funding of Kansas’s public wheat breeding and research programs.

Explanation: Public research efforts play a unique and essential role in wheat breeding and wheat crop improvement in the U.S. Kansas’s public breeding and research programs are considered second to none but their quality must be maintained and adequately funded. As government funding becomes more limited, research should be considered a priority, and producer checkoff dollars earmarked for breeding and research increased when necessary to maintain these programs.

Recommendation By: Committee Consensus.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts after the Wheat Advisory Committee held a teleconference and provided further information to the RC.
- The following language was passed at the KFB Annual Meeting, “We support increased assessments when necessary to maintain adequate funding of Kansas’s public crop breeding and research programs.”
- Status: Complete

Oilseeds Recommendation: For Board Action – **The Oilseeds Committee recommends that KFB more actively promote the sale and consumption of biodiesel in Kansas.**

Explanation: While KFB has historically been very active in the promotion of ethanol, through written communications, sponsored events and county coordination; the committee believes that equivalent efforts should be made to promote biodiesel, an equally important renewable fuel.

Moved by Todd Tobin, seconded Ken Higley.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Beef Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Beef Committee recommends that KFB support Dana Pieper for nomination to the National Beef Board.**

Moved by Tom L’Ecuyer, second, Jason Harries.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Sheep and Goat Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Sheep and Goat Committee recommends that KFB support the following sheep producers for nomination to the National Lamb Board: Flocks greater than 500 - Ron Gibson (Copeland, KS – 1st choice) and Deb Simon (Quinter, KS – 2nd choice). Flocks less than 100 - Jeff Ebert (Flush / Westmoreland, KS – 1st choice) and Tom Clayman (Hutchinson, KS – 2nd choice).**

Moved by Michelle Zongker, second, Carl Hamilton.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Staff coordinated efforts with the Kansas Sheep Association, Texas Farm Bureau and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers to caucus and forward the names of two KFB members, Jeff Ebert and Tom Clayman for the flocks' less than 100 producer position on the board.
- Status: Complete

Sheep and Goat Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Sheep and Goat Committee recommends that any effort to develop a goat council and associated checkoff program for the state of Kansas be made through a unified effort of all goat producers in the state, with dairy, fiber and meat classifications all represented on the council.**

Moved by Carl Hamilton, second, Charlie Stroble.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Swine Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Swine committee is pleased with the current progress of the Kansas Farm Group Coalition, and encourages Kansas Farm Bureau to continue to be an active participant.**

Move by Loren Baldwin, second, Mike Bellar.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Farm Bill

Wheat Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Wheat Committee supports prioritization of crop insurance over direct payments when setting Farm Bill spending levels.**

Explanation: Farm Bill negotiations will continue through much of 2011 and quite possibly into 2012. The KFB Wheat Advisory Committee discussed this issue and wished to inform the KFB Board that adequate funding of an effective crop insurance program is more important to them than direct payments; and that as farm bill negotiations continue, should be considered a priority over direct payments.

Moved by Scott Van Allen, second Jason Stallman.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Feedgrains Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Feedgrains Committee recommends that priority be given to supporting and maintaining a viable crop insurance program over direct payments in any 2012 farm bill negotiations.**

Explanation: Farm Bill negotiations will continue through much of 2011 and quite possibly into 2012. The committee discussed this issue and wished to inform the KFB Board that adequate funding of an effective crop insurance program is more important to them than direct payments; and that as farm bill negotiations continue, should be considered a priority over direct payments.

Moved by Adam Baldwin, second Tom Deneke.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Oilseeds Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Oilseeds Committee recommends that priority be given to supporting and maintaining a viable crop insurance program over direct payments in any 2012 farm bill negotiations if funding is not available for both.**

Explanation: Farm Bill negotiations will continue through much of 2011 and quite possibly into 2012. The committee discussed this issue and wished to inform the KFB Board that adequate funding of an effective crop insurance program is more important to them than direct payments; and that as farm bill negotiations continue, should be considered a priority over direct payments.

Moved by Todd Tobin, second Tom Phillips.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Water Management

Feedgrains Recommendation: For Board Action – **The Feedgrains Committee recommends that Kansas Farm Bureau take a leadership role in hosting a summit of the states involved, regarding Ogallala Aquifer Sustainability.**

Explanation: Available water in the Ogallala Aquifer continues to decline and without more active management, this valuable resource will ultimately disappear, potentially crippling rural development and agriculture in the seven state region served by the aquifer. Because it is a multi-state issue, a multi-state discussion and solution must be reached. The committee recommends that KFB provide the initial leadership needed to at a minimum, bring the affected states together to discuss this issue.

Moved by Serena Jones, second, Adam Baldwin.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, approved but limited to a “state-level” initiative only and referred to staff for further study and re-presentation to the Leadership Team and/or KFB Board.
- Given the Governor’s, “Future of the Ogallala Aquifer Summit,” held in July and the “Water and the Future of Kansas,” conference in September of 2011; it was recommended by staff and approved by the KFB Leadership Team to not hold an additional conference but to instead actively participate and advocate for members at the two already scheduled conferences.
- Status: Complete

Hay Standards and Haying

Hay and Forage Recommendation: For National Policy Development – #357 Hay and Forage Standards, insert the language below and delete the language stricken:

1 We **support the use of** ~~urge~~ USDA, the American Forage and Grassland Council, the
2 National Forage and Testing Association’s **(NFTA) Lab Certification Program and recommend**
3 **that all forage testing labs become certified.** ~~, the National Hay~~
4 ~~Association, universities and other interested parties within the~~
5 ~~forage industry to develop and improve standardized testing~~
6 ~~procedures to create national uniformity in forage test results.~~
7 ~~Reporting methods should utilize 100 percent dry matter data and~~
8 ~~avoid ambiguously calculated values.~~ We recommend proper
9 sampling techniques and the use of **NFTA** certified labs for all forage
10 testing.
11 We should provide leadership for advancing **NFTA** ~~and standardized~~ **ing**
12 forage quality testing in the United States.

Explanation: The proposed changes update our policy, recognizing the fact that national hay organizations have cooperated and created a sound forage quality testing program for forage

laboratories aimed at creating more accurate and consistent testing results. Furthermore, the committee also recommends that producers should rely on certified labs and that members and Farm Bureau should actively encourage local and feed sales-based forage testing labs to participate in the NFTA certification program.

Moved by Randy Bunnell, second, Bo Downing.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. The language was passed at the KFB Annual Meeting but was not advanced from the AFBF Resolutions Committee.
- Status: Incomplete

Hay and Forage Recommendation: For Board Information – **We support the continued allowance of roadside haying in Kansas.**

Explanation: The committee discussed recent internal proposals by KDOT that would limit the haying of roadsides by producers, specifically on controlled access highways and wished to inform the KFB Board that they supported the concept of allowing farmers to hay roadsides where safety was not an issue. While the internal proposals were not acted upon in 2010/11 the issue could potentially arise in the future.

Moved by Kevin Holle, second, Craig Allison.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Price Reporting

Beef Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-NEW

We support USDA-AMS based cattle price reporting because of the need to gather information for national reporting purposes. We suggest the modernization of the reporting system by using electronic/automatic reporting of receipts and cooperation with other market reporting sources in order to defray state funds and expand the number of reporting stations for a more accurate assessment.

Explanation: Utilizing live video feeds from sales across the state would allow a single employee to monitor and report several sales, while eliminating the expense of traveling to various sale locations. Kansas currently has four USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) based cattle price reports compared to 3 for Colorado, 6 for Nebraska, 19 for Missouri and 9 for Oklahoma. Only feeder cattle price data from USDA-AMS Market Reports are used to calculate and track feeder cattle basis data at sites such as BeefBasis.com for use by producers, hedgers and academics. Additionally, these reports are used when developing the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) Feeder Cattle Index, which is both the underlying cash price for the CME Feeder Cattle Futures contract and the price used when calculating indemnities for producers using Livestock Risk Protection (LRP) insurance policies. The committee supports AFBF policy #310, lines 16-21. State policy is suggested due to lack of state funding.

Moved by Darrell Monfort, second, Dennis Ricke.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- After Commodities Division Staff worked with the committee via teleconference to further discuss this recommendation and better state the committee's intent ([changes in blue](#)); the KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. The language was passed at the KFB Annual Meeting as the last paragraph in Policy AG-25 – State Department of Agriculture.
- Status: Complete

Hay and Forage Recommendation: For Board Action – **The Hay and Forage Committee recommends that KFB actively support efforts to fund state commodity price reporting.**

Explanation: Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service price reporting efforts are vitally important to Kansas farmers and ranchers. State-specific prices, collected by trained and unbiased personnel are often used as benchmarks in farmer-to-farmer sales and to value assets listed on farm balance sheets. The Kansas Hay Price Report in particular reflects a comprehensive summary of private hay sales, collected and reported by trained KASS staff. Without this report, both hay sellers and purchasers would have little idea of what actual prices in their region and across the state were.

Moved by Boyd Westeman, second, Kyle Schartz.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, approved and referred to KFB Governmental Relations Staff.
- As part of the reorganization of the KS Department of Ag, funding to maintain the Hay Price Reporter was maintained for FY2011.
- Status: Complete

Sheep and Goat Recommendation: For Board Information – **The Sheep and Goat Committee supports national policy #310, lines 16-21.**

16 State and federal market reporting activities involving auction
17 barns, special and seasonal feeder animal sales and beef, swine,
18 poultry, dairy, lamb and goat breeding animals should be continued.
19 USDA-AMS should develop protocols and rules to allow auctions to
20 self report results and price information when conditions or funding
21 prevent official reporters from attending individual auctions or sales.

Explanation: We suggest USDA/KDA use video auctions as a means of allowing sale barns to self-report as a way of using current technology. This could be used by a USDA/KDA reporter to have consistency in reporting.

Moved by Charlie Stroble, second, Michelle Zongker.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Animal Health

Beef Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-9 Animal Care, new paragraph after paragraph 8:

We support the Kansas Department of Animal Health import testing requirements for Trichomoniasis and recommend adding Trichomoniasis testing for bulls in intrastate change of ownership or lease, with the exemption of virgin bulls (18 months or younger) and bulls going directly to slaughter.

Explanation: The goal is to try to get control of the spread of Trichomoniasis within the state.

Moved by Tom L'Ecuyer, second, Jason Harries.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. This language was passed at the KFB Annual Meeting.
- Status: Complete

Beef Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-9 Animal Care, paragraph 7:
We support efforts to implement **a mandatory animal disease traceability program utilizing a combination of economical and logistical methods of identification with a goal of one uniform method of identification to be implemented by the KAHD.** ~~We encourage~~ All livestock owners to participate by registering **shall register** their farms and ranches with the Kansas Animal Health Department.

Explanation: The committee feels a mandatory program is in the best interest of the industry, not only from a health standpoint, but also for accessing trade markets.

Moved by Darrell Monfort, second, Marcy Ward.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. This language did not pass at the KFB Annual Meeting.
- Status: Complete

Beef Recommendation: For Board Information – The Beef Committee supports our current policy of the Kansas Animal Health Department remaining an independent agency, and discourages consolidation with the Kansas Department of Agriculture (AG-9 Animal Care).

Explanation:

- There will be minimal financial savings from a consolidation
- Concern of loss of the KAHD board and its oversight
- Consolidation likely will lead to understaffing and less effectiveness
- Increased political influence
- Lack of timely responsiveness
- Concern of fee sweeps and loss of federal funds
- The committee sees no tax payer benefit in the consolidation

Moved by Bryan Reinert, second, Darrell Monfort.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Trade

Beef Recommendation: For National Policy Development – #447 International Trade, under “We support;” line 21:

(1) ~~If the U.S. adopts~~ An incremental or phased-in approach to open beef markets, ~~this approach~~ must be accompanied with strict steps for trading partners to reach World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) standards and a time certain for full implementation of those standards;

Explanation: We feel this will be favorable in improving the beef exports and will help provide balance to our import markets.

Moved by, Bryan Reinert, second, Dennis Ricke.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. This language passed at the KFB Annual Meeting, was forwarded to and approved by the AFBF Resolutions Committee.
- Status: Incomplete

Dairy Policy

Dairy Recommendation: For Board Information – The Dairy Committee supports national policy #238, lines 5-9.

We Support:

- 5 (2) A risk management program which offers protection based on
- 6 gross margins (milk price minus feed costs);
- 7 (3) Using all funding previously allocated to the Milk Income Loss
- 8 Contract (MILC) and dairy price support programs for a margin
- 9 insurance program;

Explanation: We support a program to provide risk management tools for Dairy producers.



Moved by, Luke Brandenburg, second, Jim Schmidt.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, received and filed.
- Status: Complete

Wildlife Damage

Swine Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-9 Animal Care, paragraph 3:

We support state and federal **funding and** efforts to eradicate feral swine in Kansas as part of their disease mitigation and crop protection efforts.

Explanation: Funding for feral swine eradication has been cut and we'd like for that funding to be reinstated in order to carry out our policy of supporting eradication efforts.

Moved by, Mike Bellar, second, Loren Baldwin.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced this recommendation for further discussion at District Listening Posts. This language passed at the KFB Annual Meeting.
- Status: Complete

Swine Recommendation: For State Policy Development – AG-26 Wildlife Damage and Predator Control, paragraph 4, "Persons found harboring or seeking to profit from maintaining or increasing feral swine populations should be held legally liable for property damages." **The Swine Committee requests that the Resolutions Committee review this paragraph and recommends adding language indicating that the "legal liability" (i.e. penalty) should be as stiff as possible, similar to the penalties for poaching.**

Explanation: The committee fully supports this policy but suggests that the liability should be relatively severe. We suggest coordinating efforts with the Kansas Pork Association as they are visiting the same issue.

Moved by, Mike Bellar, second, Loren Baldwin.

- Board Action: 3/18/11, referred to the KFB Resolutions Committee.
- The KFB Resolutions Committee (RC) advanced the following language for paragraph four, for further discussion at District Listening Posts.
"Persons found harboring or seeking to profit from maintaining or increasing feral swine populations should be held legally liable for property damages **and be subject to criminal penalties.**" This language passed at the KFB Annual Meeting.
- Status: Complete