



Milk Marketing Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Held at 10B Airline Drive in Albany and via WebEx

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Members Attending: Chair C. Wolf, J. Davenport, D. Fisher, C. Laughton, G. Lazara, T. Van Slyke

Others attending: A. Jones-Brimmer, N. Martin, L. Hernandez

New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Staff Present: Commissioner Ball, Deputy Commissioner K. Howard, C. McCue, A. Giuliano, C. Gravelle

Members attending via Webex: Past Chair A. Novakovic, C. de Ronde, E. Gallagher, J. Krzysiak Smith, E. Schoen, M. Barnes, J. Chrisman, M. Finberg, B. Linney, S. Marshman, A. Walsh, P. O'Brien

Others attending via Webex: S. Kemnah, A. Oeser

Disclaimer: This was a public meeting and procedure followed all rules set forth in Open Meetings Law. The meeting was recorded and posted on the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets website, along with meeting minutes and additional materials presented. Use the following link to access the webpage: <https://agriculture.ny.gov/milk-marketing-advisory-council>.

1. Opening Remarks:

Commissioner Ball and Chair C. Wolf provided opening remarks.

2. Presentation 1: NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Programs Supporting Dairy – presenter: Emily Cook (NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets). *Please see the PowerPoint presentation on the MMAC website, which is referenced in the Disclaimer section above.*

3. Presentation 2: Dairy Outlook – presenters: Catherine de Ronde (AgriMark) and Ed Gallagher (DFA).

4. Lunch Break: The meeting temporarily paused for a lunch break.

5. Presentation 3: HPAI in Dairy Cattle – presenter: Dr. Joy Bennett (NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets) *Please see the PowerPoint presentation on the MMAC website, which is referenced in the Disclaimer section above.*

6. Federal and State Policy Open Discussion:

Council members participated in an open discussion on federal and state policy topics related to the dairy industry, including highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) detections in dairy cattle across the nation, the Farm Bill, Congressional bills related to dairy, the national Federal Milk Marketing Order activities, and recent increases in dairy processing capacity in New York State.

7. Public Comment Opportunity:

No public comments were provided.

8. Closing Remarks:

Commissioner Ball provided closing remarks.

9. Meeting adjourned:

Commissioner Ball ended by thanking everyone for the great discussion and adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Attachments:

1. NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Programs Supporting Dairy – Emily Cook (NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets)
2. HPAI in Dairy Cattle – Dr. Joy Bennett (NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets)