



FOCUS Newsletters

SEASON'S GREETINGS!

On behalf of Council members and FPCC staff, we wish you a happy Holiday Season and may 2018 be a prosperous Year! The team joins me in thanking all industry stakeholders for their collaboration throughout the year.

Mike Pickard
Interim Chairman



FPCC meeting

December 14, 2017

The FPCC met in Ottawa on December 14, 2017, where Council members discussed various issues and received from FPCC staff an update on current files, including the Judicial Review in the Complaint against Turkey Farmers of Canada and the administrative review of the *Agricultural Products Marketing Act*.

Also at this meeting, members met with the Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors Council (CPEPC) to discuss industry concerns and upcoming challenges faced by their members in the poultry and egg sectors. The CPEPC were represented by the President and CEO, Chairman, Directors from the four sectors as well as CPEPC staff. They took this opportunity to discuss their membership and present their 2017 achievements, strategic plan and major activities for 2018.

In addition, the FPCC considered the following agencies' proposed regulatory amendments:

Egg Farmers of Canada (EFC)

- Council members approved the *Canadian Egg Marketing Levies Order, the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency Quota Regulations, 1986* (schedules 1, 1.1 and 1.2), as well as EFC's Chairman and Directors per diem rates for travel and meeting attendance.



Chicken Farmers of Canada (CFC)

- Council members approved CFC's amendment to their By-Laws thereby increasing per diem rates and conference call fees for the Chairman and Directors.



To view the decision letters, please follow this [link](#) to FPCC's Web site.

2018 Consolidated Meetings Scheduled

During the meeting members approved the 2018 schedule of industry and Council meetings. Here are the dates for Council meetings:

January 30 -31	Ottawa, ON
March 20 (afternoon)	Ottawa, ON
May 8-9	Ottawa, ON
June 4 (morning)	Montreal, QC
August 8	Conference call
September 11-12	Ottawa, ON
October 30-31	Ottawa, ON
December 11-13	Ottawa, ON

PRA Updates

BEEF

Council members were updated on the latest meeting attended by FPCC staff at the Agency's October meeting in Calgary. During the two-day session, discussions focused on the proposed changes to the Agency's governance and structure.



HEMP

On October 17, 2017, the FPCC received, from the Producer Industrial Hemp PRA Committee, an application for the creation of a *Canadian Hemp Promotion and Research Agency*. Since that date, the FPCC requested additional information on the proposal and is now in the process of reviewing the new information received.

BARLEY

On November 17, 2017, the FPCC received, from the Barley Council of Canada on behalf of Canadian barley producers, an application for the creation of a *Canadian Barley Promotion and Research Agency*. The FPCC is in the process of examining their submission.

Other Business

APMA UPDATE

The FPCC continues to work closely and in collaboration with the department of Agriculture and Agri-Food on the administrative review of the *Agricultural Products Marketing Act* by updating existing delegation orders. As part of AAFC's response to the Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations, monitoring mechanisms, development of clear roles and responsibilities, long-term approaches and commodity board engagement strategies are being developed.

Upcoming Meetings-2018

January		
10	Turkey Farmers of Canada (<i>Teleconference</i>)	Toronto, ON
26	Further Poultry Processors Association of Canada	Toronto, ON
30-31	Farm Products Council of Canada	Ottawa, ON
February		
7-8	Chicken Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON
12-16	Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors Council	Ottawa, ON
13-14	Beef PRA	Calgary, AB
14-15	Egg Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON
March		
20	Farm Products Council of Canada	Ottawa, ON
20-22	Chicken Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON
20-22	Egg Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON
20-22	Turkey Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON
20-22	Canadian Hatching Egg Producers	Ottawa, ON

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