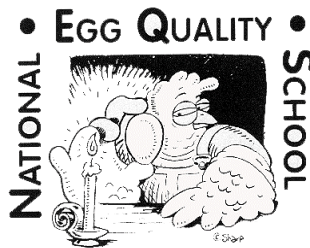

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NATIONAL EGG QUALITY SCHOOL

2023 National Egg Quality School May Meeting
May 22, 2023 Minneapolis MN

Attendees: Diana Sparks, Ken Anderson, Paul Patterson, Michael Abbott, Dianna Bourassa, Glen Raef, Mike Persia, Shari Yeatts, Roland Mader, Elizabeth Myers, Ken Koelkebeck, Deana Jones, Rafael Rivera, Danny Hughes, Tony Herrera, Cheri Ellis and E. L. Knicely

Paul Patterson called the meeting to order and asked E. L. Knicely if there was a quorum. E. L. said he received two proxies and there were sufficient members in attendance for a quorum.

Paul asked for reading of minutes from the January 2023 Regular meeting held in Atlanta GA. Motion received to dispense with the reading of the minutes, second received, motion passed.

Paul offered a slate of nominees for the officer's positions, and they were as follows;

Paul Patterson, Director, Elizabeth Myers, Asst. Director, Mike Abbott Coordinator, Diana Sparks, Treasurer and E. L. Knicely, Secretary

A motion was received to accept the slate by acclamation, second received, slate approved.

A motion was received to nominate Cheri Ellis for the vacant State Department of Agriculture board position that expires in 2025, second received, motion passed.

Diana said she followed up with Jeff Hendricks on the replacement candling lights USDA had ordered from AHPharma. She said Jeff told her the replacements were very good. Paul had reached out to the AHPharma CEO. The company shipped 10 lights for us to try at the Minneapolis school. Michael said the lights they sent were working well. Michael said the only concern he has is with the base and the plug which is large and covers several of the sockets on the power strips. Paul said he would talk with his contact at AHPharma and ask if the plug could be changed to a smaller one and if they can fabricate bases like the ones we need.

The lights that will be replaced are available for donation. Paul instructed people to email E. L. Knicely on how many lights they could use for the training of 4-H and FFA students.

Paul reminded everyone that the 2024 school would be the NEQS 30th anniversary & 2025 would be 100 years of egg schools. He asked for everyone to be thinking about ideas to promote the anniversary. Rafael said he could possibly utilize the graphic designer at U.S. Poultry & Egg. He would need to receive the history of the school.

The 2024 school is set for Park City Utah, to be held at the Sheraton.

Will consider the Southeast for the 2025 school.

A motion was made to adjourn, second received, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
E.L. Knicely, Secretary

