

**RESOLUTION 7-21
DELEGATION OF ASB'S AND AAAF TO AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS AND
COMMODITY GROUPS**

WHEREAS: Commodity Groups and Agricultural Associations have been more vocal regarding provincial agricultural issues;

WHEREAS: Commodity Groups and Agricultural Associations have been increasingly discussing municipal/provincial policies and legislation;

WHEREAS: Commodity Groups and Agricultural Associations have a lack of legislative and municipal/provincial government experts on their board;

WHEREAS: Commodity Groups and Agricultural Associations have made legislative and policy recommendations that negatively impacted the agricultural industry.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Commodity Groups and Agricultural Associations listed below be contacted and requested to have an Agricultural Service Board (ASB) representative chosen by the ASB Provincial Committee and a technical advisor chosen by the AAAF to be present as a delegation during policy and legislative discussions at their Board/Director meetings and/or Annual General Meetings & Special Meetings.

Sponsored by: Northern Sunrise County

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Carried: _____

Defeated: _____

Status: Provincial

Department: Alberta Wheat Commission, Alberta Barley Commission, Alberta Canola Producer Council, Alberta Pulse Growers, Alberta Seed Processors Association, Alberta Seed Growers Association, Alberta Beef Producers, Alberta Pork Producers, Alberta Milk, Alberta Chicken Producers, Potato Growers of Alberta

Background information

Discussions during the Fusarium Action Committee, the Alberta Clubroot Management Committee, as well as the Fusarium Ministerial Roundtable recent meetings these last few years, a consistent pattern emerged of the lack of awareness of the provincial legislation and municipal policies as indicated in the *Agricultural Service Board Act* Section 2.

Agricultural service board duties

2 The duties of an agricultural service board are

- (a) to act as an advisory body and to assist the council and the Minister, in matters of mutual concern,
- (b) to advise on and to help organize and direct weed and pest control and soil and water conservation programs,
- (c) to assist in the control of animal disease under the Animal Health Act,
- (d) to promote, enhance and protect viable and sustainable agriculture with a view to improving the economic viability of the agricultural producer, and
- (e) to promote and develop agricultural policies to meet the needs of the municipality.

The lack of awareness is the cause of major strife, misunderstanding, missed opportunities, and unexplored options.