



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Governor's Council for Agricultural Development



MINUTES OF MEETING HELD APRIL 7, 2015

Connecticut Department of Agriculture
165 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

I. CONVENE MEETING

Chairman Reviczky called the meeting to order at 1:16 p.m. Also in attendance were council members, James Guida, George Hindinger, Jason Hoagland, Herb Holden, Jr., Jamie Jones (by phone), Michael Keilty, Shelly Oechsler, Peter Orr (by phone), and Henry Talmage.

Staff from the Connecticut Department of Agriculture also were present.

Council members Allyn Brown, III, Kevin Sullivan, and Gregory Weidemann were absent.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The council reviewed draft minutes from February 10, 2015. Michael Keilty moved to approve them. George Hindinger seconded. There was no discussion and the council accepted the motion unanimously.

III. REMARKS FROM CHAIR

Commissioner Reviczky provided an update on the current legislative session and recent agency activities. He then asked members to provide updates from the sectors of agriculture they represent. A discussion ensued about the value and marketing of Connecticut agriculture and the challenges and opportunities of competing with production in other parts of the country and world.

IV. GROW CONNECTICUT FARMS NEXT STEPS

The council began discussing the status of its recommendations to date, identifying additional action steps to further implementation of those recommendations. Members agreed to continue the discussion at its next meeting...

V. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING(S)

The council's next quarterly meetings will be held on July 7 and October 6, 2015.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Piotrowicz
April 7, 2015