



Indiana Fertilizer Advisory Board

IC 15-16-2-25



DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Location of meeting:

William H. Daniel Turfgrass Research and Diagnostic Center
1340 Cherry Lane
West Lafayette IN 47907

Date and Time:

Tuesday December 20, 2022, 9:30am

Board Members in attendance:

- Joe Russell (chair); representative of producers of agricultural crops
- Peggy Dorsey* IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management) Virtual
- Sam Fry; representative of producers of agricultural crops
- Dr. Amy Gregg; representative of a public conservation organization Virtual
- Joe Miller; representative of the livestock industry
- Brian Taylor; representative of retail fertilizer industry
- Doug Anderson; representative of the retail fertilizer industry
- Jen Weldon*; representing Indiana Plant Food & Agricultural Chemicals Association Virtual
- Katie Nelson* - Indiana State Department of Agriculture Virtual
- Bob Avenius; representative of the lawn care industry
- Matt Pearson*; fertilizer administrator for the Office of Indiana State Chemist

Board Members absent:

- Dr. Jim Camberato; representative of the Purdue School of Agriculture.

*indicates nonvoting member

Others present:

Ramona Briggeman - OISC	Peng Li - OISC
Danny Starke - OISC	Sally Mullins – OISC
Craig Taft – OISC	Sam Morgan – OISC
Dr. Mark LeBlanc – OISC	David Snell – OISC
James Bartos – OISC	Blaine Brown – OISC
Natalie Newlon – OISC	Megan Espinda - IDEM

With 12 out of 13 board members in attendance a quorum, IC 15-16-2-29, was present and an official meeting was held.

1. Call to order – Joe Russell called to order at 9:30am
2. Agenda approved- Fry 1st, Gregg 2nd; Motion carried
3. Minutes approved - Anderson 1st, Traylor 2nd; Motion carried
4. OISC Fertilizer Update
 - Fertilizer Lab presentation – James Bartos
 - i. Bartos gave a brief presentation that lead to lots of discussion and conversation
 - Pearson gave update on rulemaking:
 - i. NH₃ certification
 1. OISC has authority to require licensing but not to charge for it.
 2. Discussion of the “need” for certifying the handlers of anhydrous
 3. Rules mandate training and documentation, OISC should specify and approve that training.
5. OISC Compliance Update
 - Nothing new to report since our last meeting in September
6. Fertilizer Industry Updates
 - New IDEM Ag Liaison is Megan Espinda. Megan introduced herself to the group.
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7. Next Meeting in December
8. Adjourn