## Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting International Association of Milk Control Agencies

Thursday, May 27, 2021 Via WebEx

## **Members and Guests Present**

Doug Thompson – Prince Edward Isl. Lou Canter – New York Cliff Carman – USDA Crafton Wilkes – Virginia Liz Crouse – Nova Scotia Danielle Dorn Kouwenberg – Nova Scotia France Dionne – Quebec Harold Friedly – USDA Keith Otsuka – Hawaii Peter Hunkar – Colorado Rob Delage – British Columbia Chantal Paul – Canadian Dairy Commission Tim Drake – Maine Rene Simon – Louisiana Freda Molenkampoudman – Alberta

The Association President, Doug Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm (Eastern Time).

President Thompson welcomed all, and with Dan McCarthy's resignation as IAMCA's Secretary / Treasurer, asked for the nominations and election for an individual to fill this position. Following tradition with New York acting in this role, a motion was made to nominate Louis Canter for IAMCA's Secretary and Treasurer. The motion was seconded, and with no other nominations the motion passed.

Lou Canter, Association Secretary / Treasurer reviewed the minutes of the July 15, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes, was seconded, and the motion was passed. Review and approval of the July 15, 2020 Annual General Business Meeting (AGM) was deferred until the AGM, with a tentative date of July 15, 2021.

Lou Canter provided a treasurer's report for the fiscal year to date May 27, 2021. A motion was made to accept the report, was seconded, and the motion was passed.

President Thompson started a discussion on the newsletter. Due to the COVID pandemic and staffing shortages, the newsletter has not been updated. The goal is to get this back on track. Given the demands of his job and lack of resources, Lou Canter expressed concern with providing the needed attention to the newsletter and welcomed any assistance from other Committee members.

Liz Crouse suggested an idea to have the new people joining, give a profile so they may be highlighted in an upcoming newsletter. President Thompson expressed his agreement with the idea and added the suggestion of having those who are retiring also provide a profile.

The Executive Committee discussed the next AGM. Prince Edward Island was to be the location of the next meeting that was scheduled for 2020. This meeting was canceled due to the pandemic and 2020's AGM was held virtually on July 15, 2020. Based on the current situation, the consensus is to hold 2021's AGM virtually as well. The tentative day is July 15, 2021.

Considering the different time zones of members, Keith Otsuka suggested that if time allows, the AGM not start earlier then 1pm Eastern time.

No further business was offered, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM.

Submitted by, Louis Canter, Secretary-Treasurer