

**ALP Board Meeting Minutes  
February 24, 2026**

**In attendance:** Richard Van Driesten, Darlene Hawco, Cody Legault, Adam French, Edward Machuk, Esther Hoogland, Martin Winchell, Jolene Airth (staff).

Regrets: Alison Neale

**The vice chair called the meeting to order at 7:06pm confirming quorum with 6 directors in attendance.**

**Motion to approve the agenda, seconded, carried.**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2026 meeting, seconded, carried.**

Office and Financial

The budget vs actual to February 18, 2026 was reviewed.

January tag stats were reviewed. Tag sales are on par with the average.

The Executive Director Report was reviewed as previously circulated.

**The GIC is scheduled to mature on March 7.** The Finance Chair presented investment options from several financial institutions and recommended renewing the GIC with ATB.

Motion: To renew the GIC with ATB for a one-year, non-renewable term at a rate of 2.6%.

Moved by: Edward

Seconded by: Richard

Motion carried.

**Action: Staff to draft letter of direction, obtain two director signatures and have finance chair submit to ATB.**

Old Business:

Due to technical difficulties, **the chair joined the meeting at 7:24pm and resumed chair duties.**

**LGD Learning Module and Municipal Collaboration Project – SCAP Grant**

Staff provided a briefing and accompanying budget for the SCAP grant, outlining the decision required to either accept and sign the grant agreement or decline it. The signing deadline for the agreement is March 1.

Following discussion, and considering current fiscal priorities and ongoing strategic planning, no motion was brought forward to sign the grant. Consequently, the project will not proceed.

**Action: Staff will advise AGI that the grant agreement will not be signed.**

**NSN Meeting report** – ON, QC and AB continue to work toward national unity. Provincial reports were shared.

**National Committee Update** – AB is among several provinces drafting an MOA to be presented to all provinces working towards national unity. The committee discussed the importance of producer consultation prior to any change in national affiliation.

### **CFIA traceability proposed regulations**

Staff submitted additional questions to CFIA; however, a response was not received in time for discussion at this meeting. Directors and staff continue to receive a small number of producer inquiries and concerns related to the proposed regulations.

A letter was distributed to eligible producers and posted on the ALP website outlining ALP's actions in response to the proposed regulations and the concerns raised by producers.

New Business:

Small Ruminant Seminar April 1, Clearwater County – ALP will host a booth at the seminar with one staff member in attendance.

**Producer feedback – Two producers expressed their support for holding the 2026 AGM in Nisku. One producer inquired whether ALP would be hosting a town hall regarding CFIA's proposed traceability regulations. Additional discussions on traceability appear to be coming from the same small group of producers seeking further conversation on the topic.**

**Action: *\*Directors write notes/comments in the database every time they speak to a producer.\****

In camera at 8:58pm, out of camera at 9:02pm.

**Motion to Adjourn at 9:02pm.**

### **Upcoming Industry Events:**

CSF AGM February 28, 2026 @11:00am-2:00pm - virtual

CAFLA Nutrition Conference- March 13 & 14- Olds Jolene

Small Ruminant Seminar April 1- Clearwater County - Jennifer

CS Aggie days April 15-19, Calgary

Poundmaker Ram Sale ALP Booth – May 21 Fort McLeod Richard