

MINUTES  
**SENATE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, March 21, 2019

**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room WW53

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Guthrie, Vice Chairman Den Hartog, Senators Patrick, Harris, Mortimer, Lent, Bayer, Jordan, and Nelson

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None

**NOTE:** The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

**CONVENED:** **Chairman Guthrie** called the meeting of the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee (Committee) to order at 8:00 a.m.

**PAGE GRADUATION:** **Lauren Pattee**, Senate page, expressed her gratitude for the experience she had to work with the Senate this session. **Ms. Pattee** explained some of the things she learned throughout this session, as well as some of her future plans.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** **Senator Jordan** moved to approve the Minutes of February 7, 2019. **Senator Mortimer** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** **Senator Patrick** moved to approve the Minutes of February 14, 2019. **Vice Chairman Den Hartog** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

**PRESENTATION:** **Idaho Beef Council (IBC)**. **T.K. Kuwahara**, Executive Director, IBC, explained that she represents over 9,000 cattle ranchers throughout the State of Idaho. There are approximately 2.4 million head of cattle in the state, which are valued at \$3 billion. **Ms. Kuwahara** explained some of the various marketing and promotional activities from fiscal year (FY) 2018. **Ms. Kuwahara** also stated that the main objectives of the IBC are to create a global and domestic consumer demand for Idaho's beef, as well as to enhance the profitability of Idaho beef through investments in strategic initiatives. A few videos of some of the IBC's activities from FY 2018 were shown, detailing some of the promotional and educational events that took place in Idaho. **Ms. Kuwahara** also explained some of the IBC's future plans that will help Idaho's beef industry continue to grow.

**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business, **Chairman Guthrie** adjourned the meeting at 8:26 a.m.

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Senator Guthrie  
Chair

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Jacob Garner  
Secretary