

MINUTES  
**SENATE AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Thursday, February 16, 2023  
**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.  
**PLACE:** Room WW53  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Hartgen, Senators Foreman, Hart, Schroeder, Carlson, Zuiderveld, Semmelroth, and Taylor  
**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** Vice Chair Nichols  
**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 Hartgen** called the meeting of the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee (Committee) to order at 8:01 a.m.  
**GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT VOTE:** **Senator Taylor** moved to send the Gubernatorial appointment of **Chanel Tewalt**, as Director of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) to the floor with the recommendation that she be confirmed by the Senate. **Senator Schroeder** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.  
**DISCUSSION:** **Senator Carlson** , **Senator Zuiderveld** and, **Chairman Hartgen** commented, Ms. Tewalt would be an excellent Director for the ISDA.  
**PAGE GRADUATION:** Honoring Page **Shaila Tate**. **Ms. Tate** recounted her six weeks with the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee. She stated she planned to pursue opportunities in government, and enjoyed her time as a Page.  
**DISCUSSION:** Senators thanked Ms.Tate for her service, hard work, and dedication to the Committee.  
**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Hartgen** adjourned the meeting at 8:08 a.m.

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Senator Hartgen  
Chair

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Melissa Price  
Secretary