## Connecticut Milk Promotion Board

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Members present:

Commissioner Reviczky Peter Orr Paul Miller Jim Stearns Joe Greenbacker Jason Bowsza (staff)

Guests: Gary

Commissioner Reviczky called the meeting to order at 9:04

- I. Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Orr, seconded by Mr. Stearns, to approve as presented. Passes unanimously
- II. Financial report: \$507,702.80. Mr. Orr is proud of this number, as it represents production levels of CT dairy farmers.
- III. 2014 contract update: Jason Bowsza explained the proposed final document and the process that was used to develop it, as well as the next required steps. Mr. Orr asked about the composition. A motion was made by Mr. Orr, Seconded by Mr. Greenbacker, to accept the contract as presented and authorize the commissioner to sign the contract on behalf of the board. Motion passes unanimously.
- IV. 2013 contract update. Jason Bowsza explained the proposed final document and the process that was used to develop it, as well as the next required steps. Mr. Orr asked if there is a plan in place to move forward. Jason Bowsza indicated that there was not one, as of yet. The 2014 contract was the basis for the 2013 contract and will follow the same process. Mr. Wheelock stated that his organization is ready to go in short order.

V. Farm Bill: Commissioner Reviczky touched on the Dairy Producer Margin Protection Program included in the 2014 Farm Bill. Mr. Greenbacker raised concerns about what the potential rules may entail.

Meeting adjourned 9:21