

## Notes of Second agInnovation Board of Directors Meeting (August 16, 2024)

The meeting was convened to follow up on actions taken at the July 17 meeting and to entertain three new business items.

### Board Members Present:

Chris Pritsos, presided over the meeting as  
President  
George Smith  
Matt Wilson  
Jose (Ulises) Toledo

Rick Rhodes  
Bret Hess  
Alton Thompson  
Gary Thompson  
Jeanette Thurston

**Additional Funds to Transfer from APLU:** The board deliberated on how to handle requesting funds held on behalf of agInnovation by APLU. A motion passed for the Treasurer to invoice APLU for the balance of funds held in the account for calendar year 2024. The board also agreed with the Treasurer's suggestion to continue having APLU invoice for annual assessments then invoicing APLU for appropriate CY funds, respectively.

**Website RFP:** Following discussion about the RFP, the board voted to allow the EDs to revise the RFP to include a preamble and request firms to include modifying the website in response to their recommendations. It was also suggested to receive input from communicators before releasing the RFP. Responses received by September 6 will be shared with the Finance Committee for development of the CY25 budget. A recommendation on selecting the firm will be presented to the membership at the agInnovation business meeting.

**Services Request Form:** the board reviewed the list of potential services the non-profit could provide to the Section and regional associations. Recommendations were to change "Form" to "Menu" and add transportation arrangements and tour(s) to the list of possible services. The board agreed to treat the list as a living document that will guide requests for services.

**Presentation to the Membership:** Upon learning that President Pritsos will not be able to attend the agInnovation annual meeting, the board elected to have Secretary Hess present on behalf of the Board during the agInnovation annual business meeting.