Distinguished Guests Attend NCPF’s 1st Qtr 2016 Board Meeting

RALEIGH...The North Carolina Poultry Federation held its 1st Quarter Board of Directors meeting March 22 at NC State’s University Club. President Ronnie Parker and 1st Vice President Jeff Stalls presided over the 24 present for the meeting and luncheon—which included other Executive Board members Neal Walsh, Charles Rigdon, and Jeff Hancock. NCPF’s Exec. Director Bob Ford presented the 2016 budget.

Guests attending included CPA Dawn Dees of Stancil & Co, NCSU’s Prestage Dept. of Poultry Science’s Dr. Mike Williams, Dr. Sarah Mason of the State’s Vet Dept., Kim Decker of NCDA&CS, Keith Wehner and Robert Broyles of the USDA Wildlife Service, NCPF’s legal counsel Henry Jones, and Agriculture Committee member Representative John Szoka of NC House District 45.

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Dr. Mike Williams Announces December Retirement
Department Head of the NC State Prestage Department of Poultry Science

RALEIGH...Though Mike will retire at the end of 2016, he plans to continue to be engaged with the poultry industry—doing some contract work in the areas addressing environmental and animal welfare issues. Mike grew up in rural eastern North Carolina and received all of his degrees from NCSU, with his Masters and Ph.D. in poultry science. A faculty member since 1993, he is the founding director of the NC State Animal and Poultry Waste Management Center. His research experience includes biotechnology applications for value-added processing of animal production agriculture by-products. Mike was appointed Head of the Prestage Department of Poultry Science in 2012.

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Anouncing Keynote Speaker for NCPF’s 49th Annual Meeting
Raleigh Son/Wolfpack Football Player/Chick-fil-A Executive Mike Ledford

August 4, 2016

Reserve that date to celebrate our Industry...
North Carolina’s #1 agricultural business ....whose Economic Impact is $34.4 Billion.
NC Pf Welcomes

Dr. Robert Beckstead

Dr. Mike Williams announced that Dr. Robert Beckstead has accepted the NC State offer to join the Prestage Department of Poultry Science as an Associate Professor in the endowed Turkey Scientist position. Dr. Beckstead will join the team in July.

Dr. James Trybus

Dr. James Trybus of Apex has been named director of the NC Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory System. Trybus will oversee the 90 lab employees located in Raleigh and branch laboratories in Monroe, Arden, and Elkin.

Industry Recognition

Tyson Wilkesboro

Tyson Foods, Inc. Wilkesboro NC Breeder dept was for the second year in a row awarded the winner of the Mid-Atlantic region for total egg production per hen housed with the Cobb 500FF breed. Wilkesboro produced 176.25 total eggs per hen housed, ranking first in the region, first in all Tyson Complexes, and third in the country. Now their goal is to make it three in a row and be the first in the country.

Perdue Farms Grants

Perdue Farms, through its Franklin P. and Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, has awarded grants totaling $40,000 to support an afterschool education. A $15,000 grant was awarded to eastern North Carolina. (pictured above)

Sanderson Farms Recognized

The 2020 Women on Boards has for the fifth year in a row recognized Sanderson Farms for the significant number of women who sit on its board. Women currently make up 31% of those who have a seat on the Sanderson Farms Board.

Butterball Pays Friendly Wager

In the wake of the Broncos’ Super Bowl 50 win, Butterball backed up the friendly wager Gov. McCrory made with Colorado Gov. Hinckenlooper by paying out 250 cases of turkey products, about 20,000 meals. Butterball donated more than 530,000 pounds of turkey products throughout 2015 (about 2.8 million meals, based on USDA-recommended 3-ounce serving sizes).

Industry Benevolence

Merck Supports Vet Students

Merck Animal Health in partnership with the American Assn of Avian Pathologists (AAAP) Foundation awarded five $5,000 scholarships to regional vet students. Two NCSU students are recipients: Brandon Taylor Armwood of Spring Lake, NC—a third-year vet student who earned his bachelor’s degree in animal science from NCA&T, and has interned at Butterball and National Veterinary Services Laboratory—and Sarah Reichelt of Cary—a third-year vet student who earned her bachelor’s degree in poultry science and zoology from NCSU. Sarah has interned at Prestage Farms, Cobb-Vantress, and NCSUCVM.
**Donations In Memory**

William “Billy” Braxton Holland, a turkey farmer of Willard, NC, was recently remembered with memorial donations to the NC Poultry Federation.

Mr. Holland died February 15.

The donations were from Chris and Wanda Marks and The Leon Skinner Family.

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**NCPF’s Pres. Parker**

TUCSON, Ariz… Ronnie Parker, of Circle-S-Ranch in Monroe, and 2015-16 President of NCPF, was recently elected to the Executive Board of the National Turkey Federation. Congratulations, Ronnie.

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**Events Coming Up**


June 14-16...Egg Industry SE Regional Conference. Myrtle Beach, SC. Southeast Regional Conference of the Egg Industry will be held at the ocean front Hilton Resort. Room block rates end on May 13. Contact Jan Kelly for more information: 919-319-1195

August 4-5… The 49th Annual Meeting of the NC Poultry Federation. The Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro. jbryl@ncpoultry.org

**International Paper Celebrates**

International Paper begins a year-long celebration for 20 years of innovation and sustainability with Climashield recyclable water-resistant packaging. “…this product provides superior cold-storage performance that is unsurpassed in food safety, sustainability, and cost effectiveness,” said Ron Wise, IP’s VP of Commercial & National Accounts. International Paper is a pioneer in the development of recyclable water-resistant corrugated packaging.

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**2016 NCPF Mtg Highlights**

Thursday, August 4
- Golf Tourney, Grandover East Course
- Sporting Clays Tourney
- Grandover Reception
- Industry Awards Banquet

Friday, August 5
- Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting

*Registration opens May 5*

Contact: jbryl@ncpoultry.org

Mike Ledford, Director of Food & Beverage Sourcing with Chick-fil-A is the keynote speaker at NCPF’s Industry Awards Banquet Thursday, August 4. Mike grew up near Raleigh and graduated with a B.S from NC State in Agriculture Business Management.
The Federation’s 2016 Sponsors
(Annual Sponsorship Drive is Underway)

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The North Carolina Poultry Federation has been the voice of the NC poultry industry since 1968. Serving producers and processors of chicken, turkey, and egg products, NCPF provides a united voice for the industry to the state and federal governments, media, and general public.

The mission of the Federation is to create a successful and favorable business climate for everyone involved in the poultry industry in North Carolina.

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