# **FOCUS** Newsletter

# **Winter**



### **FPCC Council Meetings**



Farm Products Council of Canada (FPCC) conducts its business by holding Council meetings to review proposed regulatory amendments and to discuss files related to the marketing and promotion and research agencies.

The letters of decisions resulting from these meetings are available on FPCC's website by following this <u>link</u>.

During the Council meetings held in 2025 thus far, members considered several regulatory amendments. Following a thorough review of the rationales provided by the agencies and internal analysis provided by FPCC staff, Council members approved amendments to:

**January 23, 2025** Canadian Chicken Marketing Quota Regulations (Canada Gazette)

Canadian Chicken Marketing Levies Order (Canada Gazette)

Chicken Farmers of Canada's revised per diem rates

Canadian Hatching Egg Producers Quota Regulations (Canada Gazette)

Canadian Broiler Hatching Egg Marketing Levies Order (Canada Gazette)

### February 18, 2025

Canadian Turkey Marketing Levies Order (2019) (Canada Gazette)

March 27, 2025

Canadian Chicken Marketing Quota Regulations (Canada Gazette)

#### Canadian Egg Marketing Agency Quota Regulations, 1986 (not yet inserted in Canada Gazette at time of publication)

**April 11, 2025** 

FPCC Levy Committee Following a thorough review of the rationales provided by the agencies and internal analysis provided by FPCC staff,

### the Levy Committee approved amendments to:

February 14, 2025

Canadian Beef Cattle Research, Market Development and Promotion Levies Order (Canada Gazette)

March 10, 2025 Canadian Broiler Hatching Egg Marketing Levies Order (Canada Gazette)

### March 26, 2025

Canadian Egg Marketing Levies Order (Canada Gazette)

#### **April 2, 2025**

Canadian Chicken Marketing Levies Order (not yet inserted in Canada Gazette at time of publication)

### **FPCC Activities**

**Council Member Update** 



appointed to FPCC by the Governor in Council in April 2015 and served a total of three consecutive terms. Her experience in commercial, agrifood, and corporate law, including manufacturing and agricultural components, has been an asset to FPCC, supply management and promotion-research agencies. Council Chair and members thank Maryse for her invaluable contribution to FPCC and wish her the best in her future

On April 29, 2025, Maryse Dubé's term as Council member ended. She was first

endeavors. Council member Samantha Haverkamp has now been assigned to the Chicken Farmers of Canada file. **Staff Update** 

### On March 31, 2025, Amanda Rahmani returned from parental leave to the Corporate and Governmental Affairs

Directorate. As Administrative Coordinator, she will provide support to Council members and FPCC staff. We are very pleased to welcome her back as an integral part of the FPCC team!

## Day of Pink 2025 – Celebrate Diversity

On the second Wednesday of April, people around the world celebrate International Day of Pink. On April 9, 2025, FPCC staff wore pink to show their support and solidarity with 2SLGBTQIA+ communities against homophobia, transphobia, bullying, prejudice, and all forms of hatred. This year's theme, Re-Emergence, highlighted the resilience and re-emergence of 2SLGBTQIA+ people in Canada's history.

#### National Association of Agricultural Supervisory Agencies (NAASA) NAASA held a hybrid meeting on March 17, 2025, in Ottawa. The meeting started with the provinces discussing

their methodology for determining cost of production (COP) in the poultry and egg sectors. This completed a series of meetings on the topic of COP. In the afternoon, NAASA members welcomed Agriculture and Agri-food Canada officials from the Strategic Trade Policy Division. Alessandro Longo, Deputy Director, and Geneviève Fournier, Acting Senior Trade Policy Analyst, attended the meeting to share their knowledge of the current state of affairs relating to Canada-US trade relations. NAASA members also heard from FPCC staff Salomon Compaoré, Senior Analyst, who presented a detailed overview of the poultry and egg industries in Canada. The meeting ended with a hearty discussion among members on the impacts of tariffs in their respective provinces.

#### Every year, Council members meet with their provincial government counterparts to share information on various topics related to their respective agrifood sectors. This

**FPCC Meetings with Provincial Supervisory Boards** 



initiative stems from FPCC's strategic plan to build collaborative relationships with industry stakeholders. On January 15, 2025, FPCC Council members met with the Atlantic provinces for their annual meeting. On January 22, 2025, Council members held their second meeting with Ontario Farm Products Marketing Commission to complete the agenda from their earlier meeting in November 2024. Participants heard updates on pricing, allocation and

market demand in the chicken, turkey and egg sectors.

#### On April 17, 2025, the newly created Canadian Industrial Hemp Promotion and Research Agency, operating under the name Hemp Canada Chanvre, held its first Annual General Meeting followed by its first Board of Directors meeting.

### Council Chair, Brian Douglas, and Council member, Samantha Haverkamp attended the meeting which was held virtually.

**British Columbia** 

Alberta

**Hemp Canada Chanvre** 

The main order of business was the election of the permanent board. The election of Directors representing producers was held prior to the AGM through virtual ballots. The results are:

**Rob Ardell** Saskatchewan Manitoba **Adam Gregory** Reuben Stone, Vice-chair Ontario

Quebec	Dany Lefebvre			
Atlantic	Antonio Bramante			
Ryan Meade and Mark van Burck are the supply chain and importer Directors, respectively. <u>The Board of Directors</u> <u>elected their executive members and confirmed that Syeda Khurram is the Executive Director.</u> The Agency's next order of business is the development of the Levies Order, the Marketing Plan and Budget.				
Brian Douglas con	gratulated the PRA on this important miles	one for the hemp industry and looks forward to seeing the		

Council members' participation at stakeholder meetings

**Peter Dushop** 

Will van Roessel, Chair

file and will be representing Council at their meetings.

During the week of January 7 to 9, 2025, Council Chair, Brian Douglas, Council member, Samantha Haverkamp and

FPCC Director, Carole Gendron attended the Banff Pork Seminar in Alberta. The seminar held plenary sessions on Swine

great benefits it will bring to the entire hemp value <u>chain</u>. Furthermore, Samantha Haverkamp has been assigned to this

# Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors

meetings:

**Canadian Pork Conference** 

During the week of February 10-13, 2025, Council members attended the Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors meetings. Council Vice-Chair, Bonnie den Haan gave an update on Council activities at the Further Poultry Processors Association of Canada, Joint Poultry, the Canadian Hatchery Federation and the Joint Egg meetings. Over the last few months, Council members attended and provided updates on FPCC's activities at the following

Additionally, Council Chair, Brian Douglas, participated at the Egg Farmers of Canada's Open Board of Directors

Canadian Beef Check-Off Agency on February 4th (Samantha Haverkamp);

• Chicken Farmers of Canada on February 4th (Bonnie den Haan); and

and stakeholders, beginning in Alberta at the Joint Poultry and Egg Conference.

# • Canadian Pork Promotion and Research Agency on February 5th (Samantha Haverkamp).

Health, Innovators, Feed and Nutrition and Welfare.

meeting on March 19, 2025, and attended a Panel Discussion on their Federal-Provincial-Territorial Agreement. **2025 Annual General Meetings** 

As of February 25, 2025, Council members and FPCC staff began attending and speaking at provincial commodity

boards' Annual General Meetings. They travelled across the country and spoke to numerous poultry and eggs farmers

These are great opportunities for Council members to speak about FPCC's important role in the administration of supply

management for poultry and eggs, and its decision-making process for the agencies regulatory amendments. Additionally, Council members and FPCC staff attended the meetings of the marketing agencies' Annual General

Meetings. During the week of March 17, Council Chair, Brian Douglas spoke at the meetings of Chicken Farmers of

Canada, Turkey Farmers of Canada, Egg Farmers of Canada and Canadian Hatching Egg Producers.

During their Annual General Meetings held this past March, the agencies elected their Executive Committees as follow:

Executive Member: Luce Bélanger

Turkey Farmers of Canada

**Marketing Agencies Executive Committee Elections** 

Chicken Farmers of Canada **Egg Farmers of Canada** Chair: Tim Klompmaker Chair: Roger Pelissero 1st Vice-Chair: Nick de Graaf 1st Vice-Chair: Emmanuel Destrijker 2nd Vice-Chair: Ray Nickel 2nd Vice-Chair: Glen Jennings

Chair: Brian Bilkes

Vice-Chair: Gyslain Loyer

Executive Member: Walter Siemens

**Canadian Hatching Egg Producers** 

Second Vice-Chair: Calvin Breukelman

#### Vice-Chair: Jelmer Wiersma Executive Member: Matt Steele

Chair: Darren Ference

**Upcoming Council Meetings 2025** 

#### **Meeting Dates Meeting Types** May 13 - 14, 2025 **In-Person**

	June 19, 2025	Virtual		
	July 15, 2025	Virtual		
	August 13, 2025	Virtual		
Government Announcements				
	Government of Canada announces support for agricultural sector following the imposition of tariffs by China			

Tackling spent foul fraud at the border to protect consumers and support Canadian farmers

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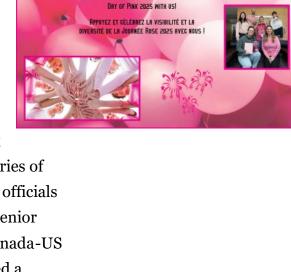
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