

**STATE AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Department of Agriculture  
Market and Warren Streets  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium  
Trenton, NJ 08625**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**September 24, 2015**

Chairman Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Ms. Payne read the notice indicating the meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll call indicated the following:

**Members Present**

Douglas H. Fisher, Chairman  
James Requa (rep. DCA Commissioner Richman)  
Cecile Murphy (rep. DEP Commissioner Martin)  
Ralph Siegel (rep. Acting State Treasurer Romano)  
Alan Danser, Vice Chairman  
Peter Johnson  
James Waltman  
Jane Brodhecker

**Members Absent**

Brian Schilling (rep. Executive Dean Goodman)  
Denis C. Germano, Esq.

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Susan E. Payne, Executive Director  
Jason Stypinski, Deputy Attorney General

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**Others present as recorded on the attendance sheet:** Heidi Winzinger, Stefanie Miller, Paul Burns, Dan Knox, Jeffrey Everett, Hope Gruzlovic, Brian Smith, Esq., David Kimmel, Charles Roohr, Alison Reynolds, Esq., Pat O'Connell, Matthew DiStaulo, Hector Weah, Steven Bruder, Sandy Giambrone and Patricia Riccitello, SADC staff; Michael Collins, Esq., Governor's Authorities Unit;

Daniel Pace, Mercer County Agriculture Development Board; Brian Wilson, Burlington County Agriculture Development Board; Tom Beaver, New Jersey Farm Bureau; Donna Rue, Rue Brothers Farm, Warren County; Bridgitte Sherman, Cape May County Agriculture Development Board; Amy Hansen, New Jersey Conservation Foundation; and Andy Rowan, Jay Rajamohan and Ed Farrell, N.J. Office of Information Technology, Mercer County.

### **Minutes**

#### A. SADC Regular Meeting of August 27, 2015 (Open and Closed Sessions)

It was moved by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Ms. Brodhecker to approve the Open Session and Closed Session minutes of the SADC regular meeting of August 27, 2015. The motion was approved. (Mr. Danser abstained from the vote.)

### **REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON**

Secretary Fisher deferred comments due to the length of today's meeting.

### **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Ms. Payne made the following comments:

1. Pilot Program for Special Occasion Events on Preserved Farmland

Ms. Payne stated that at the last SADC meeting the SADC adopted some amendments to its Pilot Program dealing with the preserved farm wineries law. That has been conveyed to all of the municipalities, CADBs and all of the wineries individually, so that everyone understands what changes have been made. Staff indicated to the wineries that the SADC is seeking their registration/certification submissions by October 15<sup>th</sup> and then it would be March 31<sup>st</sup> for every year after that. Staff will keep the Committee informed as that timeframe comes and goes and we see what type of compliance it looks like.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Payne reminded the Committee to take home the various articles provided in the meeting binders.

