

**NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR THE ARIZONA GRAIN RESEARCH  
AND PROMOTION COUNCIL MEETING**

Space Age Restaurant  
401 E. Pima Street  
Gila Bend, AZ 85337

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024 @ 12:30 p.m.**

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02 notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Grain Research and Promotion Council (AGRPC) and to the general public that the AGRPC will hold a meeting open to the public at the date, time and location listed above. Members of the AGRPC will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. The AGRPC may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Council's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3). The Council may take formal action on any of the agenda items listed below.

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For the convenience of the Council and the public, the order of the agenda items may be changed at the discretion of the Chair. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

**AMENDED**

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| 1. Call to Order/Introductions—                             | Richard Heiden               |
| 2. Roll Call—   | Lisa James                   |
| 3. Approval of Minutes—                                     | Richard Heiden               |
| • January 16, 2024  |                              |
| • February 13, 2024   |                              |
| 4. Action items from prior meetings—                        | Lisa James                   |
| 5. Approval of Financial report—                            | Richard Heiden<br>Lisa James |
| 6. Update and Discussion of Current Growing Season—         | Richard Heiden               |
| 7. Roundtable discussion of upcoming Farm Bill legislation— | Richard Heiden               |
| 8. Chairman's Summary of Current Events—                    | Richard Heiden               |
| 9. U.S. Wheat Director's Summary of Current Events—         | Michael Edgar                |
| 10. Executive Director's Summary of Current Events—         | Al Simons                    |

**Old Business**

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| 11. Annual review of Standard Terms and Conditions ISA for research grant agreements with UofA— | Richard Heiden<br>Lisa James |
| 12. Update on Request for Information (RFI) Procurement Process—                                | Lisa James                   |
| 13. Update from Executive Committee—  | Richard Heiden               |

14. Discussion and possible action regarding the process of identifying and engaging a replacement to continue the responsibilities of Al Simons who is retiring. The Council may discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) or (3).—

Richard Heiden

Instruction to Executive Session Participants: Minutes of and discussions made at an Executive Session are required by law to be kept confidential and shall not be communicated to any person outside this meeting room, except to members of the Board, a person who is the subject of the discussion pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), the Auditor General in connection with an audit authorized by the law, and the Attorney General.

### New Business

15. Discussion and possible revision to FY25 Budget—
16. Discussion and approval of FY25 Executive Director Contract—
17. Discussion and approval of FY25 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Arizona Department of Agriculture—
18. Discussion and approval of 2024 Grant Manual and application process—
19. Discussion and approval of procedures and funding for 2024 DD Survey—
20. Discussion of and possible decision regarding AGRPC participation in efforts to rapidly remove remaining KB-regulated fields from regulated status
21. Travel Authorization—
- a. Attendance at USW Summer Board Meeting; Oklahoma City July 9-12; (M. Edgar and new exec director)
  - b. Non-USW reimbursements for Chairman Heiden's WSC trip to Malta
  - c. Participation in legislative promotion event at AZ capitol Feb. 29 (Simons)
22. *Discussion and possible approval of miscellaneous expenses incurred in transferring all AGRPC records to a new executive director—*
23. Arizona Department of Agriculture Update—
24. Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) on any matter on the agenda—
25. Next Meeting/Adjourn—

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Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.