

**NABC FALL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
October 15, 2009**

NABC Second Vice President Roy Malensky called the NABC Fall Board Meeting to order at 9:40am on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at the Benson Hotel in Portland, Oregon. NABC officers in attendance along with Malensky were Bob Carini (Secretary) and Lorrie Merker (Assistant Treasurer). Roll call showed the following NABC grower members in attendance:

A&L Farms	Carini Farms	Oregon Berry Packing
Atlantic Blueberry Company	Chambers Brothers	Oregon Blueberry Commission
British Columbia Blueberry Council	Diamond Blueberry, Inc.	Pan-American Berry Growers
Berry Fresh Farms	Driscoll's Strawberry Associates	Parsat Enterprises
Berryhill Foods	Fairfield Farms	Sun Belle
Black River Blueberry	Fall Creek Farm and Nursery	Sunnyridge Farms
Blue Vision Farms	Goin's Blueberry Farm	Sunny Valley International
Blueberries of Indiana	Island Grove Ag Products	Surjan Farms
Bodtke Farms	MBG Marketing	True Blue Farms
California Giant	New Jersey Blueberry Council	Washington Blueberry Commission
California Blueberry Association	North Bay Produce	

Following roll call, Second Vice President Malensky asked that the Board observe a moment of silence in memory of Anita Galletta who passed away on September 19. Denny Doyle then thanked industry members on behalf of Art Galletta for the support and thoughts that Art and his family have received from everyone to date.

Prior to addressing today's Board agenda items Malensky asked Mark Villata to provide an update on recent discussions with ABC News. Villata reported that the NABC office had been contacted by ABC News concerning an upcoming television story dealing with child labor. Villata has provided ABC News with a letter from the NABC noting that the blueberry industry does not condone the use of child labor and we encourage our growers to abide by applicable child labor laws. The letter also notes that we will continue our efforts to remind blueberry growers of the importance of abiding by child labor laws. He asked all attendees to direct any media inquiries on this subject to the NABC office for response.

The meeting then moved on to the second agenda item, the approval of the minutes from the February 26, 2009 NABC meeting. Bob Carini moved, with a second from Neil Moore to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried.

The third agenda item was the NABC Nomination Committee report and confirmation of NABC Officers. Villata reported that since our last meeting current NABC President Paul Macrie and NABC First Vice President Henson Barnes have both asked to step down from their respective positions. Based on their requests the Nomination Committee has discussed replacements and recommends that Roy Malensky now move up to the NABC President position and that Dave Arena become the new NABC First Vice President and Neil Moore now assume the position of NABC Second Vice President. George Fritz would remain the NABC Past President, Art Galletta will continue as NABC Treasurer, Bob Carini would remain NABC Secretary and Lorrie Merker will continue serving as NABC Assistant Treasurer. Denny Doyle then moved, with a second from Ron