

SEED CONDITIONERS CERTIFICATION AND FOUNDATION SEED &  
PLANT MATERIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME AND LOCATION

Seed Conditioners Certification and Foundation Seed & Plant Materials Advisory Committee. The principal office and place of business shall be in the College of Agriculture, Oregon State University.

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVE

The objectives of the Advisory Committee are set forth as follows:

1. To promote and improve seed conditioning and handling by developing high quality standards.
2. To advise and cooperate with the Oregon State University Certification and Foundation Seed & Plant Materials Board by recommending changes to the Board which are in the best interest of the seed industry of Oregon.
3. To aid in the dissemination of information affecting the conditioning and handling of Oregon seed by working through their respective organizations.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

1. The Advisory Committee shall consist of twelve voting members, three of whom shall represent the Oregon certified seed conditioners. Three shall represent growers of certified seed. Another three shall represent the Oregon Seed Dealers who handle certified seed. One will represent OSU Research in seed conditioning; one will be a seed Extension specialist and one a county agent. The following shall serve as non-voting ex-officio members: Chairman of Cereals Advisory Committee, Chairman of Grass & Legume Advisory Committee, Crop and Soil Science Department Head, Certification Project Manager, Foundation Project Manager, Director of Seed Services, Seed Laboratory Manager, one Seed Certification sampler, and such other ex-officio members the Dean or Committee shall deem necessary.
2. Representatives of the Committee shall be appointed by the following organizations, but not necessarily confined to members:

Oregon Seed Growers League:

- (3) Conditioners of Certified Seed:
  - 1 - from the counties of Benton, Linn, Lane, and South
  - 1 - from the counties of Marion, Polk, and North
  - 1 - from the counties East of above counties

- (3) Growers of Certified seed:
  - 1 - from the counties of Benton, Linn, Lane, and South
  - 1 - from the counties of Marion, Polk, and North
  - 1 - from counties East of above counties

Oregon Seed Association:

- (3) Dealers who handle Certified seed:
  - 1 - from Benton, Linn, Lane, and South
  - 1 - from Marion, Polk, and North
  - 1 - from East of Cascades

College of Agriculture

- 1 - Seed Conditioning Researcher
- 2 - Extension representatives – preference for 1 from East of the Cascades, one from West
- 1 - Certification sampler
- 1 - Director of Seed Services

- 3. In the event one of the organizations fails to appoint their designated number of representatives, or if a vacancy occurs, the Dean may appoint appropriate representatives.

ARTICLE IV. TERM OF MEMBERSHIP

- 1. The three certified seed conditioners', three certified seed growers', and three seed dealers' terms shall be for three years. To initiate the Committee, the first year one seed conditioner, one seed grower, and one seed dealer shall be appointed for one year, one seed conditioner and seed growers and one seed dealer for two years, and one seed conditioner, one seed grower, and one seed dealer for three years. Re-appointment for an individual term is permissible, but whenever possible, new individuals should be appointed.
- 2. The OSU researcher, Extension Representatives, and certification sampler shall serve at the Dean's discretion.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

- 1. Officers shall consist of a chairman and vice-chairman. Each will serve a one-year term. The vice-chairman will become chairman. The first chairman shall be a conditioner or producer chosen by the producer and conditioner segment of the committee. The vice-chairman shall be a dealer chosen by the dealer segment of the Committee. After the first year, the producer or conditioner and dealer will be represented as chairman on alternate years.
- 2. A secretary shall be chosen by the Dean and may or may not be a member of the Committee.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

- 1. The Committee shall meet at least once a year preferably in the fall prior to the Board meeting.
- 2. Special meetings may be called by the chairman as deemed necessary.
- 3. Meeting notices shall be mailed 20 days before each meeting. The secretary shall mail notices to each member. Notices of special meetings shall state the nature of the business to be considered.
- 4. Minutes of each meeting will be forwarded to each appointing organization and each member of the Advisory Committee and the board within two weeks of the meeting date.
- 5. The voting members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any officially called meeting.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended by any officially called Committee meeting by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present, subject to the Board's approval.

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