

A COORDINATED EFFORT BY BREEDERS AND PROCESSORS TO IMPROVE WHEAT QUALITY

2022 Annual Meeting Summary by Dave Green Exec Vice President

The Wheat Quality Council held its Annual Meeting in person this year after a remote meeting last year on Feb 22-24, 2022. We had about 106 people in attendance. It was great seeing everyone in person this year. We also decided to live stream our conference to enable those still not able to travel see our program. We had 61 viewers at each of the three sessions and feedback from those viewers was positive. We certainly missed those 61 in person but accomplished our work in an efficient manner. The You Tube streaming went off without a hitch.

The Executive Board and Board of Trustees elected a new full slate of officers and members to guide the Council this year. They are all listed on our website. The council is in good financial condition and we welcomed two new members this year. We also lost two members. Our two hard wheat technical boards met to discuss improvements and check varieties. The changes are to continue improvements in our growout system to better compare variety performance across regions. Their minutes and board members can be found on the website.

Our speakers were Brian Walker Miller Milling Retired, Dale Nellor and Lee Sanders of NAMA and ABA respectively. Steve Wirsching gave a presentation on Spring wheat trends and was followed by Justin Gilpin on winter wheat quality trends. We followed with a report on Wheat Rx from Aaron Harries and Romulo Lollato of Kansas.

We continue to get support from the wheat breeders. Our systems are at capacity again this year with maximum entries. All of our test results are on the website. Our soft wheat group will meet virtually again this year and discussed new lines with the breeders and cooperators. Our meetings continue to be well attended due to the value our members place on quality and the knowledge gained from our program. We are making plans for wheat tours this year and an in person annual meeting in 2023 in Kansas City.