

# **NORTH AMERICAN BLUEBERRY COUNCIL ACTIVE COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS**

**February 12, 2021**

## **NABC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The NABC Executive Committee acts as the primary contact with the Council President and provides the Administrator with advice and guidance during times when the Council is not in session. The Executive Committee consists of the elected NABC Officers: Chair, First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Secretary Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

## **NABC FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The NABC Finance Committee is concerned with overseeing the financial affairs of the Council including the recommendation and monitoring of the yearly NABC budget; assessment collection and compliance; investment of Council funds; fiscal reporting and audit. The NABC Second Vice Chair serves as the Chairperson of this committee.

## **NABC NOMINATIONS, AWARDS AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

The NABC Nominations, Awards and Membership Committee considers candidates for NABC Executive Committee positions and recommends potential candidates to the Board. The committee also considers potential recipients for the Alex Wetherbee Award (for industry and marketing excellence), the Duke Galletta Award (for horticultural contributions) and the Jim Joseph Award (health and nutritional research contributions) and makes award recipient recommendations to the Board. Recruitment of new NABC members is also a function of this committee.

## **NABC LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

The NABC Legislative Committee serves as an NABC voice in legislative matters and helps coordinate NABC member responses to potential issues. The committee participates in legislative and governmental educational efforts with other agricultural groups. The NABC First Vice Chair serves as the Chairperson of this committee.

## **NABC GOOD MANAGEMENT PRACTICES COMMITTEE**

The NABC Good Management Practices Committee is established to maintain consumer confidence and ensure that consumers receive a safe, wholesome product. The committee assists the highbush blueberry industry, through information and education, in achieving this objective. The committee educates growers and handlers about best practices and regulations governing safe food production. The committee provides support for the industry's individual quality control programs by providing good management practices information to the highbush blueberry industry. The committee also assists with the NABC/USHBC crisis management plan. The committee deals with any area that the USHBC Good Management Practices Committee is precluded from addressing. Both committees share the same members as those seated on the USHBC Good Management Practices Committee also serve as the members of the NABC Good Management Practices Committee.

## **NABC BY-LAWS REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The NABC By-Laws Review Committee maintains NABC By-Laws and reviews and proposes recommended updates as needed. The committee helps to interpret NABC By-Laws whenever necessary.

## **USDA FOODS PROCUREMENT TASK FORCE**

The NABC USDA Foods Procurement Task Force serves as a working group of subject matter experts on behalf of the NABC Legislative Committee. The task force specifically focuses on legislative matters related to USDA Foods Procurement Programs and helps represent NABC and its members on addressing issues as they arise.

## **TRADE TASK FORCE**

The NABC Trade Task Force serves as a working group of subject matter experts on behalf of the NABC Legislative Committee. The task force specifically focuses on legislative matters related to U.S. and foreign trade policy and helps represent NABC and its members on addressing issues as they arise.