



## **Circle H Farms Receives TESA Award**

*By Duncan Morrison, MFGA Executive Director*

## **MFGA AGM**

MFGA held a very successful AGM at Brandon's Victoria Inn February 9, 2018 to time with the Manitoba Beef Producers AGM. Nearly 40 MFGA delegates bounced out of bed for pastries and coffee for a 7:00 am start on a chilly February morning that saw Minister Eichler address the crowd by highlighting the importance of forages and grasslands to Manitoba and the important work and role of MFGA.

Among other AGM meeting highlights, MFGA chair Dave Koslowsky recognized the list of MFGA Funders and Supporters and thanked them for their continued support. MFGA will be rolling out their 2018 Corporate Support Campaign in near future and producer membership renewals are underway.

Outgoing MFGA Board member Jim Lintott was also presented with a plaque for his years of dedicated service on the MFGA Board Executive including a decade as MFGA chair. Jim thanked the MFGA and spoke about the carbon sequestration importance and food production and agriculture as well as protection of the land. Retiring MFGA Board member Glenn Campbell from Onanole was also acknowledged for his years of service to MFGA.

**The 2018/2019 MFGA board members (new members in red) were introduced:**

**Producer Representatives:** Dave Koslowsky (Past Chair - Killarney), Ryan Boyd (Finance Chair - orrest), Andrea Hamilton (Glenboro), Kristelle Harper (Brandon), Larry Wegner (Virden), **Shauna Breault (Ste Rose), Matt Van Steelandt (Melita)**

**Appointed Commodity Groups or Associations/Members:**

Lawrence Knockaert, Dairy Farmers of MB; Gord Adams, Manitoba Beef Producers; Darren Chapman, (Chair), Manitoba Hay Exporters; **Colin Hunter, Manitoba Sheep Producers.**

**Ex-Officio Board Members:** Mae Elsinger, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Charlotte Crawley, Ducks Unlimited Canada; Pam Iwanchysko, Manitoba Agriculture; Emma McGeough, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences, University of Manitoba.

The full 2018 AGM meeting minutes are [online at mfga.net](http://mfga.net).