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KAP General Council to Meet

Winnipeg – Keystone Agricultural Producers is holding its next General Council meeting on October 18 in Portage la Prairie. These meetings are the organization’s major policy setting events, with delegates from across the province in attendance to debate resolutions and receive important updates on agricultural issues.

WHAT: KAP General Council Meeting
WHEN: Thursday, October 18 at 9:30 am
WHERE: Canad Inns, Portage la Prairie

A very full agenda is planned, and includes presentations from the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association at 11:30 am and On-Farm Food Safety for Grains & Oilseeds at 1:00 pm. Delegates will also give consideration to draft biosecurity guidelines for producers. KAP’s committees will provide updates on their recent activities on a wide range of issues affecting farmers and rural communities.

KAP is pleased to recognize Meyers Norris Penny for its support of this event by sponsoring the morning coffee break.

A copy of the agenda is attached to this release, and is also available from the KAP office. Observers are welcome during any part of the meeting.

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**Keystone Agricultural Producers
General Council Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2007 - 9:30 am
Canad Inns, Portage la Prairie
(* indicates document in package)**

AGENDA

D. Rolfe	9:30 am	Call to Order President's Remarks
L. Kowalchuk	9:45 am	Roll Call
D. Rolfe	9:50 am	Approval of Agenda* Minutes of July General Council Meeting*
Y. Rideout R. McLean	10:00 am	Membership Report* Financial Report*
Y. Rideout	10:15 am	GM's Report Activity Report* Tips for Writing Resolutions* District Annual Meetings* Annual Meeting – Draft Agenda* New Office Space Location for April 2008 General Council
	10:30 am	Coffee Break Sponsored by: Meyers Norris Penny
D. Chorney	10:45 am	Committee Reports Rural Development Committee* Prairie Practitioners – Carl Cunningham
R. McLean		Livestock Committee*
I. Wishart		Environment Committee*
R. McLean		Transportation Committee*
R. Brunel		Young Farmers Committee*
D. Rolfe/Y. Rideout	11:15 am	Guidelines for Consideration: - Confidentiality* - Miscellaneous Duties & Obligations* - Conflict of Interest*

M. Hacault	11:30 am	Canadian Agricultural Safety Association Focus on the Future
	12:00 pm	Lunch
D. Riddell	1:00 pm	On-Farm Food Safety for Crops
District/Comm. Reps	1:30 pm	Cross Province Update
D. Rolfe/Y. Rideout	2:00 pm	Consideration of Adoption of Biosecurity Guidelines*
I. Wishart/R.McLean	2:20 pm	Resolutions*
D. Petaski	3:00 pm	Update on Member Benefits Program
L. Kowalchuk D. Rolfe Y. Rideout	3:15 pm	Farmer Appreciation Day, November 26, 2007 Other Business Location for April 2008 General Council
	3:25 pm	Adjournment

Special Producer Session Following KAP General Council

**Producer Liability and Food Safety on the Farm
3:30 pm to 5:30 pm, Canad Inns, Portage la Prairie**

Presenter: Ariela Abecassis, Oliver Wyman (Corporate Risk), Toronto

Meetings/Events

**Farmer Appreciation Day, November 26, 2007
Manitoba Legislature**

**24th Annual Meeting
of
Keystone Agricultural Producers**

**January 23-25, 2008
Delta Winnipeg**