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### Realizing opportunities that come with change

This is an exciting, challenging time for the pork industry - in Ontario and in the world. We see increased demand for pork as incomes rise and consumers are able to improve their diets with highquality protein.

Ontario has the resources – land, water, infrastructure and talent - to help meet this demand and grow our industry.

It is encouraging to see new investment in Ontario. There is strength not just in established farms investing to improve their facilities, but in a new generation of producers who choose to invest their careers and capital in Ontario pork production. Through a series of investments, major processors and government have shown that they share this sense of optimism.

That's not to say we don't have work to do. Our focus at Ontario Pork is to foster a climate where producers can thrive. Social responsibility is the foundation of our story to both government and society.

We continue our dialogue with policymakers to show that pork is an economic driver in Ontario. We know that working collaboratively with government provides the best solutions. Industry growth relies on expanded access to new and existing markets, at home and abroad, making our ongoing participation and input in trade negotiations critical. Timely, needsbased business risk management programs provide stability and confidence for continued investment in what we know is a cyclical industry. While farmers themselves may only represent a small segment of the population, our industry has tremendous impact – from local feed mills and hardware stores to processing plants, restaurants and grocery stores. Pork drove more than 12,000 full-time-equivalent jobs and \$850.4 million in GDP in Ontario in 2016.

It is crucial that Ontario Pork is at the table when government or other organizations develop new programs or policies that impact Ontario's industry - be it food, the environment, transport, traceability, employment, taxation or animal care. High standards of animal care, food security and environmental sustainability all play a role in our success. Public trust is key: our Social Responsibility Report and the Grow Ontario Together partnership help build that trust. Initiatives like these demonstrate the industry's proactive leadership, and show that the work we do is based in science, best practice and a deep-rooted commitment to being good stewards of the land and of the animals we raise.

Setting a course for an industry as diverse as Ontario's swine sector is no simple matter. This year's strategic planning process reinforced our key priorities, including programs and products that enhance communication; innovation and research that support industry prosperity; advocacy to fuel a prosperous and sustainable business environment; and elevated trust with society. Working together as an industry, we can make a difference, for all of us.

As Chair, I am privileged to work with board members, delegates, producers, staff and industry who share my sense of pride in being part of Ontario's hog industry. Ontario Pork's mission statement: "To foster a vibrant business environment for producers," spells out our goal of improving the industry together.

Just as some years ago I heeded the words of a fellow producer who invited me to become involved, I ask all producers to consider how you can contribute to your association and Ontario Pork, making your voice heard.

Eric Schwindt, Chair

### Putting vision into action

In December 2017, Ontario Pork's Board of Directors approved a new three-year strategic plan, which sets out a direction to build on the success that we have achieved so far, focusing on the sustainability and competitiveness of the Ontario pork industry.

From an operations perspective, this new plan is an opportunity to assess the organization's business practices and develop an implementation plan with clear objectives to translate the strategy into specific initiatives. We remain committed to our mission: "To foster a vibrant business environment for producers." The way we foster that environment constantly evolves.

### NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL COLLABORATION

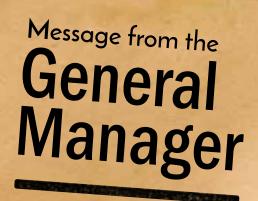
Decisions made on the national stage can have a significant impact on how farmers in the province do business. With the proposed introduction of the Canadian Pork Excellence (CPE) program, we have been active in piloting, recommending and implementing changes that better reflect the needs of Ontario producers. Throughout the year, Ontario Pork held multiple consultations with producers, veterinarians and Canadian Pork Council representatives, striving to make the proposed CPE program work well for producers. This work is still in progress; we will focus on helping make CPE a vital program that supports and promotes the industry. Ontario Pork continues to advocate in other areas such as Canadian Food Inspection Agency regulations and transportation policies.

### INDUSTRY VOICE AND REPUTATION

A strong industry reputation is essential to face the future. At the direction of the Board, Ontario Pork is working with stakeholders to develop a strategy that would help society better understand the role modern animal agriculture plays in providing safe, affordable, high-quality pork products. We have a great story to tell. Healthy animals, soil, water and communities - all highlighted in Ontario Pork's Social Responsibility Report and promoted through the Ontario Pork Proud campaign - are critical to our future success. At the same time, farming is a business, contributing to tax revenue, employment and gross domestic product in the province.

### PRODUCER COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT

Ontario Pork is here to serve and support provincial pork producers, and to develop workable solutions for problems



they encounter. That means taking the time to consult with members, and ensuring they can count on Ontario Pork for timely and valuable industry information. Town halls, a daily industry news update, producer consultations, advisory groups and email alerts helped form the foundation of an improved communications strategy in 2017.



We will build on that in 2018 by helping to develop training resources and by supporting research to equip pork producers to face the challenges and opportunities of modern farming.

### INDUSTRY INFRASTRUCTURE

Over the years, Ontario Pork invested in reliable infrastructure to ensure ongoing support for producers and industry stakeholders. From electronic manifesting and websites, to databases, partnerships such as Swine Health Ontario, and providing support to producers in emergency situations, staff at Ontario Pork are committed to maintaining and improving the tools that help today's hog industry operate effectively.

### SUPPORTING A STRONG BOARD

Ontario Pork staff continue to provide board members with the support and information they need to effectively advocate and collaborate in the best interests of the industry. Guided by the new strategic plan, we will continue our collaborative effort to ensure a vibrant and sustainable future for our industry.

Thank you for your support.

Ken Ovington, General Manager





### Ontario Pork's Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for strategic policy development, advocacy and government relations across a wide variety of policy issues that impact the industry and producers' viability.

As a key point of contact with the industry's various stakeholders, including the Ontario government, the Board seeks to balance the impact of regulatory shifts, as well as changes to government policy and the compliance requirements in our markets, while ensuring the industry remains competitive and sustainable.

### 2017-18 Board Members

Eric Schwindt, Chair (Waterloo - Zone 2)

John de Bruyn, Vice-Chair (Oxford - Zone 2)

Eric Hartemink (Elgin - Zone 1)

Mike Mitchell (Middlesex - Zone 1)

Teresa Van Raay (Huron - Zone 1)

Doug Ahrens (Perth - Zone 2)

Chris Cossitt

(Grey-Bruce - Zone 3)

Arno Schober

(Simcoe-York - Zone 3)

Oliver Haan

(Northumberland-Quinte - Zone 4)

### Senior Staff Leaders



Ken Ovington, General Manager



Stacey Ash, Manager Communications and Consumer Marketing



Neil Harper, Manager Information Systems



Patrick O'Neil, Manager Ontario Pork Marketing Division



Jim Weir, Manager Finance and Administration



Frank Wood, Manager Industry and Member Services

# NTARIO'S PORK INDUSTRY





In 2016, Ontario's pork industry, from "farm to fork" generated



Gross domestic product (GDP)



Economic output

Specialization and growth made pork production more efficient in 2017

of producers market fewer than 500 hogs per year (down 15.6% from 2016)

of producers market 500 to 3,000 hogs per year (up 2.8% from 2016)

of producers market more than 3,000 hogs per year (up 7.8% from 2016)

# 2017 import and export numbers

Ontario January to November 2017

**IMPORTS** 

**EXPORTS** 

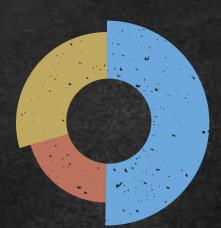


valued at

valued at



Ontario pork exports globally



50% United States

20% China

30% Rest of world

Canada January to November 2017

**IMPORTS** 

METRIC TONNES

from 2016

**EXPORTS** 

from 2016



# **Board committees**

and

# advisory groups

Ontario Pork's Board of Directors focuses on work in key areas with a structure that includes three standing committees and three standing advisory groups. These groups help support broader collaboration among producers, staff and industry stakeholders to provide advice to the board and advance the industry.



### Committees

### Audit committee

Connects the Board of Directors and the auditors, and assists the Board in carrying out its fiduciary duties. The committee provides input for the planning of the audit, as well as reviewing annual financial statements and other results of the auditors' work.

### **2017-18 AUDIT COMMITTEE:**

**Doug Ahrens,** Committee Chair, Board member

Oliver Haan, Board member Eric Hartemink, Board member

Eric Schwindt, Board Chair

### Research committee

Makes recommendations on expenditures from the research budget, as well as guidelines for research support and funding criteria. Last year, the committee reviewed the research proposals process, researchers' letters of intent and full research proposals, with the Board of Directors ultimately approving seven research projects.

### 2017-18 RESEARCH COMMITTEE:

**Arno Schober**, Committee Chair, Board member

Chris Cossitt, Board member
John de Bruyn, Board Vice-Chair
Oliver Haan, Board member
Maaike Campbell, Producer
Rod de Wolde, Producer
Lloyd Holbrook, Producer

### Resolutions committee

Promotes and supports constructive communication between the Board of Directors and members for all resolutions submitted to identify industry topics and areas of concern. In 2017, the committee recommended that the Board include 12 resolutions in the booklet sent to all delegates to prepare them for debate at Ontario Pork's annual general meeting in March.

# 2017-18 RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

**Teresa Van Raay**, Committee Chair, Board member

John de Bruyn, Board Vice-Chair Mike Mitchell, Board member Dianne Brekelmans, Producer John Sikkens, Producer Philip Van Raay, Producer

### Advisory groups

### Program development

Provides advice on converting industry policies into practical, workable programs that meet the needs of Ontario pork producers. In 2017, members focused on the Ontario Pork outreach education kit, Pig Mobile and enhancing producer communication.

### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT **ADVISORY GROUP:**

Oliver Haan, Advisory Group Chair, Board member

Chris Cossitt, Board member Teresa Van Raay, Board member Dianne Brekelmans, Producer Maaike Campbell, Producer John Otten, Producer Tanya Terpstra, Producer

### Risk management

Provides advice on the design, implementation and effectiveness of risk management tools including the risk management program (RMP), financial protection and hog production insurance. In 2017, the group focused on the development of the hog production insurance and providing input into RMP redesign options. A formal proposal on hog production insurance has been submitted to OMAFRA for review.

### **RISK MANAGEMENT** ADVISORY GROUP:

Doug Ahrens, Advisory Group Chair, Board member Eric Hartemink, Board member Bruce Clark, Producer Steve Illick, Producer Rob McDougall, Producer

Wouter Van Leeuwen, Producer

### Sustainability

Ensures that the industry remains competitive and sustainable, by providing input into strategy and policymaking. Priorities in 2017 included assessment of the provincial antimicrobial resistance (AMR) plan and providing input into Ontario's soil health strategy consultation and Lake Erie domestic action plan.

### **SUSTAINABILITY** ADVISORY GROUP:

Arno Schober, Advisory Group Chair, Board member

Mike Mitchell, Board member Lyle Campbell, Producer Mark DeJong, Producer

John Nyenhuis, Producer

### Ad hoc committees

Ad hoc committees are formed when the Board requires analysis in an area where a new policy or a strategy may be developed. Last year, the Board established two ad hoc committees: Ontario Pork Industry Advocacy Committee, formed to create a proactive strategy to promote modern pork farming practices, and the Swine Research Facility Internal Support Committee, tasked with supporting external negotiations on conceptual design of a proposed swine research facility.



# Leadership

training program

Ontario Pork's leadership training course has been offered since 2013. The program, which generates a lot of interest among Ontario pork producers, has been getting more successful every year.

It was uniquely designed for aspiring pork producers who are looking for insights, knowledge and tools to become more effective leaders and advance themselves in their leadership journey. The program consists of six modules, including corporate governance and organization structure, media training, policy development, strategic thinking, value-chain tour and government relations. In 2017, eight producers participated in the program, developing skills and acquiring knowledge to respond effectively to the challenges of leading the pork industry in Ontario.

2017 Leadership Training Program participants:

Shaun Ball (Oxford)

Maaike Campbell (Lambton)

Kevin Jennen (Kent)

Gary Pennings (Niagara)

Eline Terpstra (Huron)

Tara Terpstra (Huron)

Sarah Van Leeuwen (Kent)

Wouter Van Leeuwen (Kent)

# Government

relations and policy



### A seat at the table

Ontario Pork's ongoing government relations in local, provincial and federal policy development focus on issues that directly impact pork producers, as well as broader issues that affect agriculture as a whole.

To ensure the competitiveness of its members, Ontario Pork's advisory groups engage with policymakers and government officials to educate and inform them of the important issues affecting the swine industry and its economic contribution to the province.

### 2017 GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND POLICY WORK **HIGHLIGHTS:**

· Championing provincial and national risk management programs, emphasizing the importance of strong safety nets to the government and providing input on how to strengthen these programs

- · Investigating how the current crop insurance model could be adapted to address hog mortality losses in the pork sector, including finalizing preliminary technical parameters for a proposed insurance product targeted at sow barns
- · Developing agriculture-led recommendations through the Grow Ontario Together coalition, which take a practical approach to the provincial government's Lake Erie protection goals
- Exploring ways to offset some of the new costs arising at the farm level from climate change policies such as cap and trade





### Queen's Park Reception

On November 28, Ontario Pork welcomed approximately 100 guests at its annual reception at Queen's Park in Toronto. Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and their staff members chatted with Ontario Pork board members, staff and producers from Ontario Pork's Leadership Program.

Guests had the opportunity to sample a range of delicious Ontario Pork recipes while listening to Chair of Ontario Pork, Eric Schwindt, provide an update on our social responsibility journey and its importance to consumers, policymakers and other stakeholders.

Jeff Leal, Ontario's Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

delivered remarks and congratulated Ontario Pork on its exemplary work for the agriculture and agri-food sector. Toby Barrett, MPP for Haldimand-Norfolk and agriculture critic for the Progressive Conservative party, and John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming-Cochrane and agriculture critic for the New Democratic Party, also delivered remarks.

# Producer consultation



### Making your voice heard

### **POLICY DAY**

On September 12, 2017, Ontario Pork held its annual Policy Day conference at the Holiday Inn Guelph for delegates, presidents and secretaries from each of the local pork producers' associations. The conference is a way for Ontario Pork to hear from elected delegates on key policy issues facing the swine industry. Participation in events such as Policy Day helps to shape Ontario Pork's future decisions.

This year's Policy Day focused on swine research infrastructure and national programs and partners.

### CANADIAN PORK EXCELLENCE CONSULTATIONS

In 2017, the Canadian Pork Council (CPC) continued its revision of the Canadian Quality Assurance and Animal Care Assessment (CQA/ACA) programs. The revised program – called Canadian Pork Excellence (CPE) – is comprised of PigSAFE, which represents food safety; PigCARE, which represents biosecurity and animal care programs; and PigTrace, which focuses on traceability.

Ontario Pork heard from members that they value national programs but had concerns regarding how these changes will affect operations on farm. In response, Ontario Pork held consultations with producers, providing their feedback to CPC along with input gathered during the pilot project of different production types engaged in evaluating the administration, completion and validation processes of the program on-farm.

# **Swine Health Ontario**



### Partners in herd health

VISION: Swine health excellence enables the Ontario industry to have a global competitive advantage.

MISSION: Continuous improvement in swine health management through a proactive, practical and responsive plan that engages the entire swine industry.

### **GOALS FOR 2016-2019:**

- Eliminate Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv) from Ontario farm sites and develop tools to better support the control and elimination of any disease of significance to the Ontario swine industry
- Develop a consistent, effective approach to respond to incidents that affect swine health in Ontario
- Initiate the development of a sustainable, co-ordinated swine health information system for Ontario, designed to assist in detecting emerging disease quickly to reduce the impact on our industry
- Continue to promote biosecurity, disease risk management and preparedness to producers and the industry, offering practical solutions that serve to reduce disease transmission risks and enhance response to disease threats

### SHO'S 2017 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- · Ongoing monitoring for swine diseases at one of the federally licensed processing plants
- Surveillance survey at the three primary assemblies and 20 secondary assemblies
- Working to develop the Swine Health Information System (SHIS) in collaboration with partner organizations and producer working group
- Establishing the structure of a Swine Health Ontario Command Centre (SHOCC) to better enable the industry to respond to disease emergencies
- Surveillance at industry contact points for Senecavirus A (SVA)
- Feed risk study with Ontario Pork Industry Council (OPIC)

### Leadership Team

Lori Moser SHO Manager

Dr. Christa Arsenault OMAFRA

Amy Cronin Ontario Pork

Dr. Doug MacDougald OPIC/OSHAB

Clare Schlegel Ontario Pork

Jay Squire **OPIC** 

Dr. Cathy Templeton industry at large

Mark Yungblut industry at large

# Reputation branding

www.ontariopork.on.ca

Ontario Pork has a great story to tell. To ensure a healthy, sustainable future for this industry, we need to Connecting farmers and consumers make sure that consumers are familiar with that story. Here's a quick look at how we're doing just that.

# Build confidence and bolster reputation

In an era when few Canadians have any direct connection with farming, we're working to ensure the important link between farming and food isn't lost:

# Fields to Forks television and radio ads:

- aired 52 times on CTV London in summer 2017
- aired 185 times on AM1290 and BX93 radio stations

- #OntarioPorkProud campaign: • Producer photo contest, attracted more than 200 entries
- #OntarioPorkProud myth-busting social media campaign, featuring nine shareable online mini-videos
- #OntarioPorkProud promotional materials shared at fall events

New and revamped tools and resources for producers and educators rolled out in 2017:

- Ontario Pork Outreach Kit and All About Pigs Activity Pack to support regional events
- Updated design for the popular Pig Mobile with a potential audience of more than two million people each year
- Website updates, designed to improve the experience for both Ontario Pork members and visitors

# Expand the market

In 2017, we helped consumers look at Ontario-grown pork in new ways:

- #ThinkOutsideTheChops: educating and inspiring consumers to think beyond the Big 3 (chops, tenderloin, and ribs)
- #PorkMakesItPerfect: making Ontario-grown pork the centrepiece of festive and family gathering menus reminding consumers to "Look for the Label"





# Branding program



**52**%

increase in the number of branding partners in 2017



partners with a total of 318 locations

2,048,000

labels requested by retailers in 2017, a 59% increase over 2016 92%

increase in recipe cards and booklets sent to retailers in 2017



Print audience

4,636,402

### Diaital ad campaign

 Averaged 130,000 views per month across YouTube, Facebook and Instagram

### Digital screens seen by millions of Toronto commuters each week

- Yonge-Dundas Square
- Exhibition Place
- PATH (world's largest underground shopping complex)
- Gateway newsstand screens

# #ONTARIOPORKPROUD BACON CHOCOLATE COOKIE TRUFFLES

GUARANTEED

HORMONE-FREE

ONTARIO

MARKET HOGS ARE NEVER

**GIVEN** 

**HORMONES** 

### INGREDIENTS

20-24 chocolate chip cookies (homemade or store-bought) 4 oz cream cheese, at room temperature

8 slices Ontario bocon, cooked, 2 cops chocolate chips, meted drained, finely chopped and

1 Tosp cocoract oil

# Looking forward

Challenges to our industry are a reminder that telling our story – loudly and proudly – is a responsibility that can't be taken lightly. We all have a role to play in ensuring this industry's reputation remains strong today and in the future.



# Social media





# TOP FACEBOOK POSTS

Rick Mercer: 3,400 reached, 434 interactions

# TOP TWITTER POSTS

#OntarioPorkProud video: Growth hormone-free: 5,000 impressions, 97 interactions



# Research

and innovation

### Investing in the future

Research is the fundamental building block of progress. That's why Ontario Pork is committed to investing in research and innovation that will take this industry to the next level. Located in a recognized swine research hub, we're funding projects that will advance all areas of the industry, including swine production, economic sustainability, marketing, product development and social science research. Here are some examples of the work funded in 2017:

### **DISEASE MONITORING:**

Work led through the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) is exploring how to make antibody testing simpler and more affordable for producers, helping to avoid outbreaks that can cause disease and economic losses.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT:**

Research taking place at the University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus aims to overcome technological and cost challenges to anaerobic digestion of pig manure, through a new design and the addition of plant biomass.

### TRANSPORTATION INNOVATION:

Increasing animal comfort and reducing loss in transit is the focus of research into transport vehicle design. This research will look at Canadian climate conditions when assessing new trailer designs incorporating features such as fan ventilation, hydraulic decks, misters and drinkers.

# **Social** responsibility

report 2017



### Focus on the future

In 2015, Ontario Pork established measurable social responsibility commitments within six key dimensions, to be achieved within three years. That plan, titled An Era of Change and Accountability, forms the foundation of our future success. Here's a quick summary of our progress in 2017:

### 1. Farm Management

- Evaluated and analyzed existing industry training programs and resources to determine updated online training needs
- Worked to improve the Canadian Pork Excellence program through an on-farm pilot program and debrief; Board of Directors engagement; review at Ontario Pork's Policy Day; peer review committee; and development of a plan to keep producers informed
- Updated producers on farm management issues, including unvented barn heater regulatory changes, on-farm security, housing strategies and herd health

### 2. Economic Performance

- · Ongoing education included: AGM guest speaker on industry market predictors; outreach to agriculture financers through the Agricultural Lenders Conference partnership with OMAFRA; and London Swine Conference session on benchmarking as a tool for financial planning and management
- Updated Ag Manifest animal traceability software to improve usability and grow uptake by producers and transporters
- Completed a framework for a production insurance program that better meets current industry needs



# Social responsibility report 2017

### 3. Environmental Stewardship

- Created Grow Ontario Together policy paper as one of seven Ontario commodity groups working with OMAFRA to champion producer best practices on nutrient management, clean water and healthy soils
- Enabled peer-to-peer communications and developed education videos about nutrient management best practices
- Collaborated with OMAFRA to develop and distribute nutrient management best practices resources

### 4. Animal Care and Food Safety

- Supported education workshops on elective animal husbandry, including loose sow housing
- Volunteer farms participated in national benchmarking program related to antimicrobial use
- Implemented a ractopamine-free certification program to help ensure compliance by all industry partners, reinforcing our commitment to trade
- Partner in investigating improved disease monitoring by linking Ag Manifest movement data with Area Regional Control and Elimination (ARC&E) disease status information
- Reviewing and updating farm structure regulations and practices with a goal of reducing barn fires, as part of an OMAFRA-led barn fire working group

### 5. Relationships with the Community

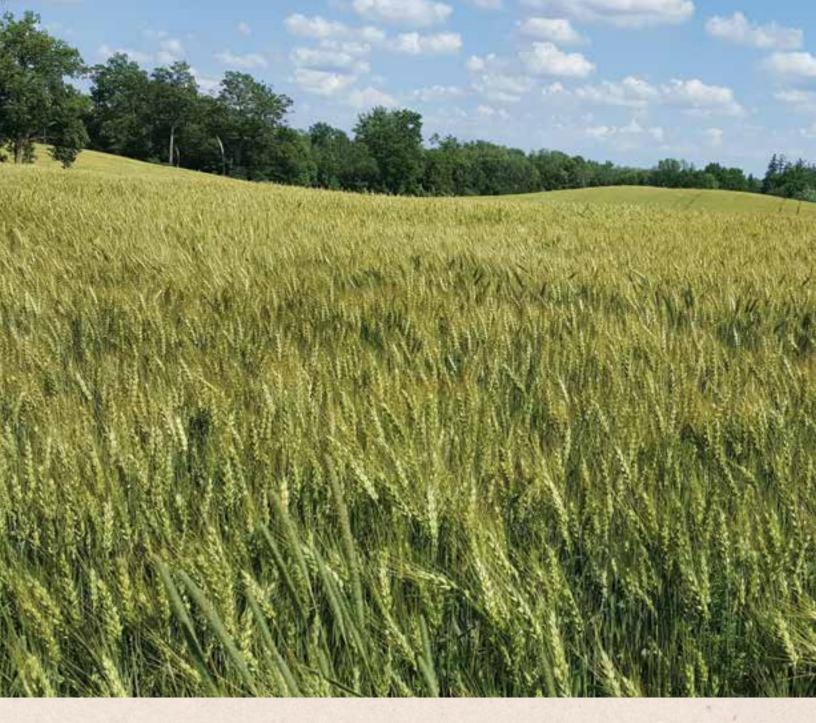
- Donated the one millionth child-sized portion of fresh pork through the Ontario Association of Food Banks program in September 2017
- Continued health-related partnerships, including Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada Ride for Heart
- · Piloted new Ontario Pork Outreach Kit and All About Pigs Activity Pack and updated Pig Mobile design to support producers involved in community education and outreach

### 6. Workers' Well-being

- Distributed and promoted the Emergency Preparedness Manual through county association meetings and Ontario Pork Congress, June 2017
- Provided workshops on Human Resources for Farm Businesses and Succession Planning at Ontario Pork Congress

In 2018, we will measure our progress against established key performance indicators, then set new goals to guide our ongoing efforts to be prosperous and responsible contributors to Ontario's economy - and to our future.







# **Independent Auditor's Report**

# To the members of The Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of The Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board, which comprise the general account consolidated statement of financial position and the trust account statement of financial position as at December 2, 2017 and the consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audit is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **OPINION**

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board as at December 2, 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations.

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**RLB LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Licensed Public Accountants Guelph, Ontario January 30, 2018

# Consolidated statement of operations

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Revenue		
Service fees – Universal Services	\$ 5,249,284	\$ 5,257,533
Service fees - Marketing Division	734,112	757,369
Interest	112,907	135,448
Government grants (Note 13)	59,899	211,339
Porcine epidemic diarrhea (Note 19)	-	383,587
Branding and reputation management (Note 19)	-	433,769
Sundry	266,756	248,761
	\$ 6,422,958	\$ 7,427,806
Expenses		
Operations (Schedule A)	3,612,513	3,720,395
Consumer marketing (Schedule B)	726,512	1,311,475
Board secretariat (Schedule C)	770,402	723,789
Industry support (Schedule D)	1,796,539	2,188,525
	\$ 6,905,966	\$ 7,944,184
Deficiency of revenue over expenses before other items	\$ (483,008)	\$ (516,378)
Other income (expense)		
Forward pricing (Note 6)	239,644	179,083
Net loss of In-Transit Loss account (Note 8)	(22,482)	(26,555)
	\$ 217,162	\$ 152,528
Deficiency of revenue over expenses	\$ (265,846)	\$ (363,850)

# General account Consolidated statement of financial position

December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 1,507,316	\$ 1,989,866
Temporary investments (Note 4)	6,346,538	6,223,044
Accounts receivable (Note 5)	204,410	371,452
Due from trust account	1,123,185	851,947
Prepaid expenses and supplies	286,897	180,500
Forward pricing assets (Note 6)	211,111	318,665
	9,679,457	9,935,474
Capital assets (Note 7)	1,046,051	1,110,015
	\$ 10,725,508	\$ 11,045,489
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 664,281	\$ 647,072
Government remittances payable	25,600	3,064
Deferred contributions (Note 19)	_	_
Research projects payable	593,390	549,290
Forward pricing liabilities (Note 6)	118,747	234,245
	\$ 1,402,018	\$ 1,433,671
Minority interest (Note 8)	9,132	31,614
Net assets		
Funds invested in capital assets	1,046,051	1,110,015
Unrestricted funds	5,991,047	6,158,500
Internally restricted fund for research (Note 9)	357,259	412,370
Internally restricted fund for special projects (Note 10)	1,933,047	1,899,201
Unrealized (loss)/ gain on investments	(13,046)	118
	9,314,358	9,580,204
	\$ 10,725,508	\$ 11,045,489

# Consolidated statement of changes in net assets

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016

	]	Beginning balance	•	deficiency) venue over expense	(loss	s)/ g	ealized gain on tments	_	capital assets	Ending balance
Invested in capital assets	\$	1,110,015	\$	(106,253)		\$	-	\$	42,289	\$ 1,046,051
Unrestricted		6,158,500		(138,328)			13,164		(42,289)	5,991,047
Internally restricted										
For research (Note 9)		412,370		(55,111)			-		-	357,259
For special projects (Note 10)		1,899,201		33,846			-		-	1,933,047
Unrealized (loss)/ gain on investments		118				(	(13,164)		_	(13,046)
Total	\$	9,580,204	\$	(265,846)		\$		\$		\$ 9,314,358

### Consolidated statement of cash flows

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Operating activities		
Deficiency of revenue over expenses	\$ (265,846)	\$ (363,850)
Amortization of capital assets	106,253	112,884
Minority interest	(22,482)	(26,555)
Change in non-cash operating working capital	(134,692)	(1,307,099)
	(316,767)	(1,584,620)
Investing activities		
(Increase)/Decrease in temporary investments	(123,494)	1,178,318
Purchase of capital assets	(42,289)	(39,715)
	(165,783)	1,138,603
Net Decrease in cash	(482,550)	(446,017)
Cash, beginning of year	1,989,866	2,435,883
Cash, end of year	\$ 1,507,316	\$ 1,989,866
Changes in non-cash operating working capital of:		
Accounts receivable	\$ 167,042	\$ (46,514)
Due from trust account	(271,238)	11,112
Forward pricing assets	107,554	159,103
Forward pricing liabilities	(115,498)	(161,753)
Prepaid expenses and supplies	(106,397)	(92,218)
Other current liabilities	83,845	(1,176,829)
	\$ (134,692)	\$ (1,307,099)

### Trust account statement of financial position

December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,010,742	\$ 786,632
Accounts receivable from processors	3,004,190	2,642,054
	\$ 4,014,932	\$ 3,428,686
Liabilities		
Due to general account	\$ 1,123,185	\$ 851,947
Payable to producers, transporters and others	2,891,747	2,576,739
	\$ 4,014,932	\$ 3,428,686

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements

### December 2, 2017

### Nature of operations

The Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board ("Ontario Pork") represents Ontario's pork producers. Ontario Pork provides universal services to all producers. Additionally, Ontario Pork provides a marketing option that includes centralized selling to processors and settlement to producers and transporters for those producers who wish to use the service.

As Ontario Pork is an agricultural organization, from which no part of the income is available for the personal benefit of any member, it is exempt from income tax pursuant to Section 149(1)(e) of the Income Tax Act.

The Farm Products Marketing Act, Regulation 400 Section 9 (b) requires Ontario Pork to maintain separate accounts for the deposit of (i) money received by the local board in trust for any other person and (ii) levies or charges imposed by the local board pursuant to powers exercised under authority granted under the Agricultural Products Marketing Act (Canada). The Trust Account Statement of Financial Position (non-consolidated) reflects all monies received from the sale of hogs on behalf of producers and the distribution of monies to producers after deducting all charges and necessary and proper disbursements and expenses.

### Summary of significant accounting policies 2.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

### A) PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the general and trust accounts of Ontario Pork and the accounts of the In-Transit Loss Account in which Ontario Pork has a 50% interest. The remaining 50% interest of the net assets of the in-transit loss accounts are presented as a minority interest. The Ontario Pork Grading Authority (OPGA) is a controlled entity of Ontario Pork. However, the accounts of the OPGA have not been included in the accompanying financial statements. Consequently, the accounts of the OPGA have been disclosed in the accompanying notes to these financial statements (Note 18).

### B) REVENUE RECOGNITION

Ontario Pork follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions. Revenues in the form of fees from producers are recorded when services are performed. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

### C) FORWARD PRICING PROGRAM

Ontario Pork offers a Forward Pricing Program to producers which enables producers to establish firm prices for future shipments of hogs.

Prices are based on the prices in effect at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange for future shipments and producers may arrange this coverage for any number of hogs based on their own expected shipments.

Ontario Pork contracts with the producers and enters into Lean Hog and Canadian Dollar contracts with the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Ontario Pork constantly monitors contracts with producers and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange to ensure that risks are offset and no significant speculative positions are taken.

### D) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

### Measurement of financial instruments

The organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value, except for certain non arm's length transactions.

The organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for temporary investments, forward pricing assets and liabilities which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in the consolidated statement of operations.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities and research projects payable.

### **Impairment**

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. If an impairment has occurred, the carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortized cost is reduced to the greater of the discounted future cash flows expected or the proceeds that could be realized from the sale of the financial asset. The amount of the write down is recognized in the consolidated statement of operations. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the consolidated statement of operations.

### **Transaction costs**

The organization recognizes its transaction costs in the consolidated statement of operations in the period incurred. However, financial instruments that will not be subsequently measured at fair value are adjusted by the transaction costs that are directly attributable to their origination, issuance or assumption.

### E) EFFECTIVE INTEREST METHOD

Ontario Pork uses the effective interest method to recognize interest income or expense which includes premiums or discounts earned or incurred for financial instruments.

### F) DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivative financial instruments are recognized on the consolidated statement of financial position at their fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statement of operations.

### **FOREIGN CURRENCY** G)

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated using the rate of exchange in effect at the end of the year. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated at historical rates. Revenues and expenses are translated at average exchange rates prevailing during the year, except for amortization, which is translated at historical rates. Exchange gains or losses are shown in Schedule A.

### H) IMPAIRMENT OF LONG-LIVED ASSETS

Long-lived assets are tested for recoverability whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized when their carrying value exceeds the total undiscounted cash flows expected from their use and eventual disposition. The amount of the impairment loss is determined as the excess of the carrying value of the asset over its fair value.

### I) CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Computer software is expensed in the year of purchase.

Amortization is provided in order to write off the cost of these assets over their estimated useful lives using the following rates and methods:

Asset Type	Amortization Rate
Buildings	5% declining-balance
Building improvements for leased premises	Term of lease (5 years)
Promotional vehicles	30% declining-balance
Computers purchased after 2001	3-year straight-line
Other computer systems	33% declining-balance
Office furniture and equipment	20% declining-balance
Office furniture and equipment after 2014	5-year straight-line

### J) RESEARCH

Ontario Pork expenses the full cost of research projects in the period it commits the funds for specific projects. Unspent funds are recorded as research projects payable.

### K) NET ASSETS INTERNALLY RESTRICTED FOR RESEARCH

A set amount of the annual service fee is designated for research. Any unspent amounts are internally restricted for research and are only transferred to unrestricted net assets when the research expenditures have been incurred. The management of Ontario Pork may not use these internally restricted amounts for any other purpose without the approval of the board of directors.

### L) NET ASSETS INTERNALLY RESTRICTED FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS

Ontario Pork established a reserve for special projects. To be eligible for funding from this reserve, projects must benefit all Ontario pork producers, be separate from the daily activities of Ontario Pork, have the ability to leverage matching funds from other sources and have the potential for providing a return on investment. These internally restricted amounts are not available without prior approval of the board of directors.

### M) GRANTS AND DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS

Government grant revenue and expense are recorded as the related projects are completed, grant approvals are received and collection is reasonably assured. Government grants related to assets are recorded as reductions in the related assets.

Deferred contributions represent funds received in advance which relate to a future year. The revenue has been deferred and will be recognized in the appropriate fiscal year as the related expenses are incurred.

### N) USE OF ESTIMATES

In preparing Ontario Pork's financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Significant estimates used within these financial statements include amortization of capital assets and accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

### O) FISCAL YEAR-END

Ontario Pork's year-end is the Saturday closest to November 30.

### 3. Marketing division

Ontario Pork has administratively and physically separated the operating facilities of the Ontario Pork Universal Services Division and the Ontario Pork Marketing Division. This separation includes maintaining confidential pricing and financial information of the Marketing Division. Direct expenses are charged to the Marketing Division, while shared expenses are allocated to ensure they accurately reflect the costs incurred to operate the respective divisions. Ontario Pork has consulted with the Ontario Farm Products Marketing Commission which has accepted this approach as reasonable.

The revenue information for the Marketing Division is disclosed separately. The balance of the financial information of the Universal Services and Marketing Divisions is reported in aggregate in these consolidated financial statements.

### 4. Temporary investments

	2017	2016
Bonds and guarenteed investment certificates held in Canadian		
funds, valued at market, bearing rates varying from 1.40% to 2.55%.		
(2016 – 1.50% to 2.31%) General Account	\$ 6,346,538	\$ 6,223,044
5. Accounts receivable		
	2017	2016
Trade	\$ 171,136	\$ 164,015
Other	28,131	22,926
Grants	5,143	184,511
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204,410

### Forward pricing assets and liabilities 6.

Ontario Pork has entered into foreign currency contracts and lean hog contracts with an independent broker and with producers as previously described in the Forward Pricing Program policy included in Note 2 (c). Included in Forward pricing liabilities are foreign currency contracts and lean hog commodity contracts with a net market value of \$118,747 (2016 Forward pricing assets of \$318,665). Included in Forward pricing assets is the net position of contracts held with producers relating to the Forward Pricing Program with a total market value of \$211,111 (2016 Forward pricing liabilities of \$234,245).

	2017		2016
Realized gain	\$ 143,200	\$	89,483
Unrealized gain	92,364		84,420
Forward pricing fees/other	4,080		5,180
Forward pricing gain	\$ 239,644	<b>\$</b> 1	179,083

### Capital assets 7.

			2017	2016
	Cost	ccumulated nortization	Net book value	Net book value
Land	\$ 205,445	\$ -	\$ 205,445	\$ 205,445
Buildings and building improvements	1,700,513	948,689	751,824	812,302
Promotional vehicles	30,024	29,835	189	271
Computers and computer system	2,531,553	2,493,916	37,637	34,163
Office furniture and equipment	622,856	571,900	50,956	57,834
	\$ 5,090,391	\$ 4,044,340	\$ 1,046,051	\$ 1,110,015

### In-Transit Loss Account

The In-Transit Loss Account was established by Ontario Pork in partnership with producers, packers and transporters to compensate for losses due to death of hogs in transit. Ontario Pork retains a 50% interest in the residual earnings of this account. Included in the consolidated statement of financial position and consolidated statement of operations of the general account are the following assets, liabilities, net assets and proportionate net loss:

	2017	2016
Assets	\$ 18,264	\$ 63,229
Liabilities	-	_
Net assets	18,264	63,229
Net loss	\$ (22,482)	\$ (26,555)

The 50% interest in the net assets of the In-Transit Loss Account allocated to the producers, packers and transporters amounting to \$9,132 (2016 - \$31,614) is recorded as minority interest on the consolidated statement of financial position of the general account. The In-Transit Loss Account was suspended as of May 4, 2007.

A separate set of unaudited financial statements for the In-Transit Loss Account has been prepared for the year ended December 2, 2017.

An Industry Betterment Committee was assembled in November 2011, made up of producers, transporters and packers. The committee determines eligible expenses to utilize the remaining funds for betterment activities.

### Internally restricted fund for research

	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 412,370	\$ 334,611
Amounts assessed in service fees	552,093	552,890
Grant amounts transferred into fund during the year (Note 13)	59,899	211,339
Rescinded research projects	69,000	33,990
Research expended (Note 13)	(505,014)	(509,956)
Research other expense	(231,089)	(210,504)
Balance, end of year	\$ 357,259	\$ 412,370
Industry research expense recorded in Schedule D is comprised of:		
Rescinded research projects	\$ 69,000	\$ 33,990
Research expended (Note 13)	(505,014)	(509,956)
Research other expense	(231,089)	(210,504)
Total research expense	\$ (667,103)	\$ (686,470)
10. Internally restricted fund for special projects		
	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,899,201	\$ 1,963,128
Expended	-	(100,000)
Interest allocation	33,846	36,073
Balance, end of year	\$ 1,933,047	\$ 1,899,201
11. Toronto Stockyards Land Development Fund		
	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ _
Amounts transferred into fund during the year	212,991	208,976
Funds expended	(212,991)	(208,976)
Balance, end of year	\$	\$

The amount received during the fiscal year is included in sundry revenue in the consolidated statement of operations.

In 2003, the board of directors established an internally restricted fund dedicated to research, development and industry education and approved the transfer of funds received from the Toronto Stockyards Land Development Board to this fund.

A portion of these funds was used in 2017 for industry outreach events, swine research and health issues.

### Credit facility agreement

Ontario Pork has entered into one credit facility agreement with a Canadian financial institution, facility (1). Facility (1) includes an unsecured authorized operating line of credit of up to \$3,500,000 due on demand. Canadian and USD dollar advances on facility (1) bear interest at prime plus 0.30%. At year-end, draws on facility (1) are \$Nil (2016 - \$Nil) and there were no draws on the facility during the year.

### Government grants and research expenditures

	Government grants	Research expenditures
	2	2017
Economics	<b>\$</b> -	\$ -
Innovation	-	45,000
Production	-	290,115
Social trends and perception	59,899	169,899
Other	_	-
	\$ 59,899	\$ 505,014
		Research expenditures
		2016
Economics	\$ 107,827	\$ 107,827
Innovation	15,949	15,949
Production	30,494	289,111
Social trends and perception	57,069	97,069
Other	-	-
	\$ 211,339	\$ 509,956

Government grants in 2017 were funded in part through Growing Forward 2, a federal-provincial-territorial initiative. These amounts are included in government grants in the consolidated statement of operations.

### 14. Grants

- a) Included in animal care expenses reported in Schedule D is a membership fee of \$35,000 (2016 \$45,000) to Farm and Food Care.
- b) Grants and memberships reported in Schedule D consist of the following:

	2017	2016
Kees de Lange Scholarship Fund	\$ 50,000	\$ -
OAC Awards Committee	500	500
Ontario Agri-Commodity Council	1,000	1,000
Ontario Agri-Food Education Inc.	5,000	5,000
Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame	1,000	1,000
Ontario Federation of Agriculture	5,500	500
Ontario Junior Barrow Show	3,000	3,000
Ontario Independent Meat Processors	1,650	1,100
Presidents' Council	300	6,300
Sundry	2,400	1,000
	\$ 70,350	\$ 19,400

### 15. Canadian Pork Council

	2017	2016
General fees	\$ 854,242	\$ 829,966

The Canadian Pork Council (CPC) assessments are based on the number of pigs subject to provincial levies. This includes export weanling and feeder pigs in addition to slaughter animals. In 2017, the CPC funding was \$0.155 for market hogs and \$0.033 for weanling and feeder pigs exported (2016 – \$0.155 and \$0.033 respectively).

### Defined contribution pension plan

The salary and employee benefits (Schedule A) includes the total plan expense for the organization's defined contribution pension plan as follows:

	2017	2016
Defined contribution pension plan	\$ 93,554	\$ 88,994

### Commitments

Ontario Pork leases office equipment with future minimum annual payments as follows:

2018	\$ 20,792
2019	18,486
2020	18,486
2021	14,737
2022	6,744
Total	\$ 79,245

### Ontario Pork Grading Authority

Ontario Pork has delegated its authority for the grading of hogs to the Ontario Pork Grading Authority (OPGA), an independent not for profit organization. The OPGA provides a grading system and health data collection services. Ontario Pork producers maintain a 50% interest in the net assets of this organization. The other 50% interest is shared by two larger processors. The organization is governed by a five-member board consisting of two representatives from federal processing plants in Ontario, one representative from the Ontario Independent Meat Processors (OIMP) and two representatives from Ontario Pork. Ontario Pork also provides office and administration services to the OPGA. The financial statements of the OPGA are not consolidated in the financial statements of Ontario Pork. The following are the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses from the audited financial statements of the OPGA for the year ended September 30, 2017.

	2017	2016
Assets	\$ 310,530	\$ 335,420
Liabilities	29,403	41,897
Net assets	281,127	293,523
Revenues	468,864	462,943
Expenses	481,260	474,560
Shortfall of revenue over expenses	(12,396)	(11,617)
Supplemental cash flow information		
Cash flows derived from/(used by):		
Operating activities	35,519	(50,701)
Investing activities	4,295	(88,548)
Financing activities	(87,295)	178,562
(Decrease)/Increase in cash	(47,481)	39,313
Cash, beginning of year	92,147	52,834
Cash, end of year	\$ 44,666	\$ 92,147

### Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions is a combination of the two separate funding arrangements summarized below. Total deferred contributions as at December 2, 2017 is \$Nil (2016 - \$Nil).

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs executed a grant to Ontario Pork to support an objective to encourage consumers to access and select fresh Ontario produced pork products. This project ended March 31, 2016.

Branding and Reputation Management	:	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$	-	\$ 432,709
Excess funds returned		-	_
Expended		-	(433,769)
Interest earned		_	1,060
Balance, end of year	\$		\$ -

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs executed a grant to Ontario Pork to further develop and implement the Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea strategy for prevention, detection and response mitigation. This project ended on June 30, 2016.

Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea	2017	2016	
Balance, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 430,778	
Excess funds returned	-	(48,344)	
Expended	-	(383,587)	
Interest earned	-	1,153	
Balance, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	

### 20. Financial instruments

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest, credit, currency, liquidity, or other price risks arising from these financial instruments.

The extent of the organization's exposure to these risks did not change in 2017 compared to the previous period.

Transacting in financial instruments exposes the organization to certain financial risks and uncertainties. These risks include:

### **CURRENCY RISK**

Ontario Pork realizes a portion of its transactions in USD and is exposed to foreign exchange fluctuations. At year-end, USD cash balances total USD \$376,126 (2016 – USD \$351,587). All balances are recorded in Canadian dollars at year-end.

### **CREDIT RISK**

Credit risk is the risk that counterparties fail to perform as contracted. Ontario Pork is exposed to credit risk through its trade accounts receivable and the Forward Pricing Program. Ontario Pork is exposed to a concentration of credit risk, as are all customers in the meat packing industry.

### 21. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

# Consolidated schedule of operations expenses - Schedule A

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Amortization – capital assets	\$ 106,253	\$ 112,884
Audit fees	54,970	54,570
Bank charges	16,623	17,975
Cleaning	24,451	24,916
Computer software, supplies and internet	46,962	55,906
Consulting – information systems	45,188	23,844
Consulting – other	305,942	386,863
Courier	20,646	21,802
Dues and subscriptions	10,195	11,829
Exchange loss/(gain)	728	(1,284)
Forward pricing costs	18,388	18,505
General office and other	20,123	39,677
Insurance	47,083	47,573
Legal fees	92,117	114,212
Light, heat and water	31,753	36,771
Machine and systems rental	13,460	14,811
Postage	23,864	36,645
Realty taxes	54,555	52,658
Repairs and maintenance	114,767	50,185
Salaries and employee benefits (Note 16)	2,338,048	2,360,618
Stationery and supplies	22,332	33,733
Telephone	43,610	42,751
Training and professional development	36,750	46,539
Travel	123,705	116,412
	\$ 3,612,513	\$ 3,720,395

# Consolidated schedule of consumer marketing expenses - Schedule B

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Advertising/other	\$ 463,957	\$ 445,448
Branding and reputation management (Note 19)	-	433,769
Consumers' events	33,880	35,696
Education	48,784	60,272
Promotion – retail trade	34,145	12,909
Public relations	56,355	123,511
Retail and nutrition promotion	89,391	199,870
	\$ 726,512	\$ 1,311,475

# Consolidated schedule of board secretariat expenses - Schedule C

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2017	2016
Delegates' remuneration	\$ 145,562	\$ 113,841
Directors' expenses	103,162	109,636
Directors' remuneration	234,189	225,250
General office and other	2,457	4,411
Grants – counties	73,185	95,241
Liability insurance	8,100	8,100
Meetings – annual and other	151,716	108,985
Salaries and employee benefits	52,031	58,325
	\$ 770,402	\$ 723,789

# Consolidated schedule of industry support expenses - Schedule D

year ended December 2, 2017 and December 3, 2016	2	017	2016
Animal care (Note 14)	\$ 63,	826 \$ 6	66,866
Canadian Pork Council (Note 15)	854,2	242 82	29,966
Food bank	50,	057	53,300
Grants and memberships (Note 14)	70,	350	19,400
Ontario Pork Congress	28,	066	19,438
Porcine epidemic diarrhea (Note 19)		- 38	33,587
Research (Note 9)	667,	103 68	36,470
Ridgetown swine barn build		- 10	00,000
Swine Health Ontario	62,	895	29,498
	\$ 1,796,5	\$ 2,18	8,525



### Root Beer Pulled Pork

### Yield:

Serves 6

### Cooking Time:

8 to 10 hours (in slow cooker)

### **Preparation Time:**

5 minutes

### Ingredients

1 Ontario pork shoulder

1 medium onion, chopped

16 fl oz (500 mL) bottled root beer (not diet)

2 cups (500 mL) your favourite BBQ sauce

6 Kaiser or hamburger buns, split and lightly toasted

### **Cooking Directions**

- Place the pork and onion in a slow cooker. Pour the root beer over the pork, cover and cook on LOW until wellcooked and the pork shreds easily, usually 8 - 10 hours (or 4 - 5 hours on HIGH).
- 2. Drain well and discard extra root beer. Stir in BBQ sauce.
- 3. Serve on buns with coleslaw.

