

CAPI poised to respond to new agriculture challenges and opportunities with recent governance changes

OTTAWA- July 18, 2019 – The Board of Directors of the Canadian Agri-food Policy Institute (CAPI) is pleased to announce governance changes that occurred at its Annual General Meeting and Board Meetings held in Calgary last month. Chantelle Donahue of Saskatchewan was elected to the position of Chair of the Board of Directors, succeeding John F.T. Scott, who retired as Chair on June 17, 2019. Stéphanie Hamelin of Quebec was elected to the position of Vice-Chair, taking over from Claude Lafleur.



Chantelle Donahue

“I am thrilled to have been given the opportunity of chairing the CAPI Board,” said Donahue. “This is an exciting time for the Canadian ag industry. To be able to lead an independent think-tank organization during a time when policy development in the agri-food has never been more important and is a challenge I am proud to take on.”

Donahue has been instrumental in advancing positive change for the Canadian ag industry, with over 15 years’ experience at Cargill, currently in the role Vice-President and Commercial Seed Manager for its Global Edible Oil Solutions division. Donahue also holds seats on various industry boards and farms with her husband in central western Saskatchewan.

“CAPI’s national role is critical in identifying and advancing policy issues for both the agriculture and food sectors,” said Hamelin. Having joined the CAPI Board in 2018, Hamelin’s experience in business management strategies and marketing and financing from various positions held in the Canadian financial sector will complement the Board well, as will her insights into agriculture in Quebec where she currently resides.



Stéphanie Hamelin

The Board of Directors and staff of CAPI express their sincere appreciation and thanks to outgoing Chair John F. T. Scott and vice-chair Claude Lafleur.

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