

## Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

## § 984.46

be recognized by the Board causing a nomination to be made by the appropriate group and certifying to the Secretary a new nominee within 60 calendar days.

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### § 984.42 Expenses.

The members and their alternates of the Board shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed their necessary expenses.

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### § 984.43 Powers.

The Board shall have the following powers:

- (a) To administer the provisions of this part in accordance with its terms;
- (b) To make rules and regulations to effectuate the terms and provisions of this part;
- (c) To receive, investigate, and report to the Secretary complaints of violations of this part; and
- (d) To recommend to the Secretary amendments to this part.

### § 984.44 Duties.

The duties of the Board shall be as follows:

- (a) To act as intermediary between the Secretary and any handler or grower;
- (b) To keep minute books and records which will clearly reflect all of its acts and transactions, and such minute books and records shall at any time be subject to the examination of the Secretary;
- (c) To furnish to the Secretary a complete report of all meetings and such other available information as he may request;
- (d) To appoint such employees as it may deem necessary and to determine the salaries, define the duties, and fix the bonds of such employees;
- (e) To cause the books of the Board to be audited by one or more competent public accountants at least once for each marketing year and at such other times as the Board deems necessary or as the Secretary may re-

quest, and to file with the Secretary three copies of all audit reports made;

(f) To investigate the growing, shipping and marketing conditions with respect to walnuts and to assemble data in connection therewith;

(g) To investigate compliance with the provisions of this part; and

(h) To recommend rules and regulations for the purpose of administering this subpart.

### § 984.45 Procedure.

(a) The members of the Board shall select a chairman from their membership, and shall select such other officers and adopt such rules for the conduct of Board business as they deem advisable. The Board shall give the Secretary the same notice of its meetings as is given to members of the Board.

(b) All decisions of the Board, except where otherwise specifically provided, shall be by majority vote of the members present. A quorum of six members shall be required for the conduct of Board business.

(c) The Board may vote by mail or telegram upon due notice to all members. When any proposition is to be voted on by either of these methods, one dissenting vote shall prevent its adoption. The Board, with the approval of the Secretary, shall prescribe the minimum number of votes which must be cast when voting is by either of these methods, and any other procedures necessary to carry out the objectives of this paragraph.

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### § 984.46 Research and development.

The Board, with the approval of the Secretary, may establish or provide for the establishment of production research, marketing research and development projects, designed to assist, improve, or promote the marketing, distribution, and consumption or efficient production of walnuts. The expenses of such projects shall be paid from funds collected pursuant to § 984.69.

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