# **Board of Directors' Application Review Checklist**

The board of directors should consider the following questions/factors when reviewing applications requiring approval from the board:

### 1) Management Ability and History:

- What information, if any, does the board of director's know or need to know about the member or applicant's repayment history, management history, or loan history?
- Does the member/applicant have experience raising and feeding cattle?
  - If not, who will provide assistance / knowledge / labour?
- Will the member/applicant abide by the policies of the program?
- Does the member/applicant live close enough to be properly supervised (for example, will the member be accessible for inventory counts, document signing)?
- Does the member know how to brand properly?

#### 2) Feed and Facilities:

- Does the member/applicant have facilities of his/her own (e.g., corrals, shelter, fence, water, handling equipment such as head gate, chutes, loading chutes, pens for branding, and branding irons)?
- What is the condition of the facilities?
- If the member/applicant does not own his/her own facilities and/or equipment, does he/she have access to these items?
- Does the member/applicant have his/her own feed?
  - If not where does he/she plan to get feed (cost)?
  - If so, what types of feed does he/she grow?
- Does the member/applicant have access to the equipment and labour required to produce feed and feed the cattle?

#### **3)** Location and Number of Cattle:

- What is the legal land description of where the cattle will be fed/wintered/pastured?
- Who is in charge of the care/feeding/maintenance of the cattle?
  - If it is not the member/applicant, then what is the name, address, phone number and legal land description of that individual (the custom feeder)?
- How many cattle will be fed at this location?
- How many of these cattle will belong to the association?

#### 4) Multi-Member Operations:

- How many people are involved in the farm unit?
- How many of these people are also members or applying for membership in the association?
- What is the ability of the member(s) to repay the association in the event of a major loss?

#### 5) Business Plan:

• What does the member/applicant intend to do with the cattle that are purchased (e.g., feed for slaughter, background, breed and sell, breed and transfer to other option)?

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#### Purpose

The *Board of Directors' Application Review Checklist* form (CF12) provides a list of routine questions that the board of directors should consider when reviewing applications to the association, including membership applications, loan increases, loan extensions or other applications requiring board approval.

#### Note

C The board of directors should review this checklist for all applications.

C The board of directors may direct the secretary-treasurer to include on the checklist any additional information or requirements specific to the association.