

NEWS RELEASE

Contact: Chancey Hanson

405.235.4391 or chanson@okcattlemen.org

Oklahoma's Newly Appointed Secretary of Agriculture, Blayne Arthur to Keynote Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association's Winter Policy Meeting on Jan. 23

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. Jan 3, 2019 – The Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association is pleased to announce that Blayne Arthur, Oklahoma's newly appointed Secretary of Agriculture, will kickoff the 2019 Winter Policy Meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 23.

The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. at the Reed Conference Center located in Midwest City, Okla. Committee meetings and the OCA quarterly board of director's meeting will follow Secretary Arthur's keynote address.

"We are so thrilled and honored that Secretary Arthur has accepted our invitation to speak and kick off our annual Policy Meeting. She brings a wealth of experience, solid leadership and a tremendous passion for the success of Oklahoma agriculture," said Weston Givens, OCA President. "In 2016, Arthur was presented OCA's Distinguished Service Award. She is an OCA member and a fellow beef producer. We sincerely look forward to working with her as Oklahoma's Secretary of Agriculture."

The winter policy meeting provides OCA members an opportunity to consider and create policy that drives the organization. OCA membership is required to attend.

"The future depends on what you do today," said Givens. "We encourage all OCA members to attend the policy meeting, participate in discussions, bring policy ideas and vote."

The timing of the Winter Policy Meeting in late January allows for OCA members to discuss bills of the upcoming Legislative Session which begins in February as well as proposed policies for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Annual Convention which takes place the week after OCA's Winter Policy Meeting.

Early registration is \$30 per person, lunch and snacks are included. Early register cutoff is Jan. 18. Register at www.okcattlemen.org.

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry. OCA is the only voice that speaks solely for the cattlemen of Oklahoma and represents beef producers in all 77 counties across the state. The OCA officers, board of directors and membership encourages you to join us in our advocacy efforts to ensure less government intervention, lower taxes and a better bottom line. For more information about OCA membership, the theft reward program or activities call 405-235-4391 or visit www.okcattlemen.org.

#