

Heartland Highland Cattle Association Board Meeting

Monday, June 17th, 2024 at 7 pm CST

Welcome remarks by President Harold Ramey:

- Harold gave a brief statement about the Wyoming field day; there were nearly 100 people and the presentations were well received. A big thank you goes to Jerry and Rock Creek Ranch owner
- Noted: Harold has looked over the structure of the AHCA and states that we need a board treasurer.

Agenda

- Need to separate the 2 secretaries
- Becky: Follow auction rules as to treasurer; should handle quarterly report of all expenses
 - The board decides on the budget
 - Two signers are designated to sign each check out going
 - 990s should be audited each year
- Harold: Together but are separate
 - Operation manager
 - Jennifer= employed/salaried
 - Treasurer
 - Would require a by-law change
 - Secretary
 - Contract employee
 - Will be a by-law change!
 - Jennifer will be a contract employee as operations manager
 - HHCA office
 - Now use instead of Gloria's address
- Jerry and Becky moved and seconded it that Becky will be our board treasurer and will work it out with Jennifer and bring it back to the next meeting
- Need a by-law committee, Steve was the only one listed on the old ones
- December meeting:
 - A review of all committees
- Neogen
 - Becky: need to move on the genetics faster
 - Webpage needs to be updated
 - Jennifer: This has been updated, Brian only does that on Sundays
 - Mike receives genetic results and then sends them on to everyone else so they can access them
 - Will be another by-law

- The double muscle could be a “standard”/test panel that covers 80 characteristics
 - Clint: There is an email address on the registration for genetic testing
 - Harold: should have covered all the Hs and As
- Annual Picnic
 - September 21st
- Next Meeting September 16th
 - Auction entries- 1 bull/ 6 heifers, consignment open September 2nd for bulls
 - All money and applications are due September 15th
 - Clint: We have to limit numbers. Billy Bolch was upset at the number of bulls- may be using as a dumping ground
- Harold introduces Adam to speak. Majority of people didn't like Bangs vaccination/ large portion of veterinarians don't/won't write a proper health certificate/paper
- Bangs (heifers)- need it between 4-12 months old. Then there is a 14-day quarantine, afterwards, they are ready to go. For example, Jerry bought 12 cows from the auction. He had to find a farm to quarantine and vaccinate them at, and assimilate them.
- Clint and Adam's discussion: Florida will stop all livestock trucks, it is unclear if they are going to check papers. California will inspect health papers.
- Jerry: we as an educational system are supposed to know all these facts
- Clint: has never vaccinated and never will
- Adam: All 50 states require a Trich test at 12 months
- Harold: A scanner for metal clips for ears is \$1,500. Metal ear clips are going out of style, now people are using electric buttons in the ear (RFTD)
- Becky: In Minnesota, metal tags are still grandfathered in
- Jennifer/Clint: Motion to by scanner, etc. as needed
 - Joelle seconded

Closing:

- Notes go to Jennifer, then to “Air”
- Agenda meeting ideas
 - 16th of September 2024 at 7 pm
- Gary- motion to close
 - Kevin seconded
 - Ayes have it
- **The meeting closed at 8:23 pm**

By HHCA Board of Directors Secretary
Joyce Allender