

## AMERICAN BLACK HEREFORD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting  
August 19, 2024  
6:00 PM CT

Members Present: EVP Ernie Dominguez, President Rod Garman, VP Matt Marsh, Treasurer Don Hardin, Secretary Jacob Moreno, Mark Ipsen, Todd Hampton, Mike Hamilton, Chad Jones, Jeremiah Malone, Recording Secretary Shelley Wilds

Absent: none

- I. Meeting called to order by EVP Ernie Dominguez @ 6:09 PM CDT  
Prayer: Rod Garman
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion by Rod Garman to approve July meeting minutes as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Hardin; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
- III. Approval of Finance Report
  - a. Motion by Todd Hampton to approve the finance report as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeremiah Malone; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
- IV. Committee Update
- V. Executive Vice President's Update
- VI. Membership
- VII. Vendor Support
- VIII. EPDs – Digital Beef
  - a. IGS Annual Review
- IX. Other Items—Old Business
  - a. 501c3 Foundation Update
  - b. Defect Testing and use of Pedigrees
    - i. Discussion on proposal from the Rules & Ethics committee on the use of pedigrees to not require testing on animals clean by pedigree with parentage. Proposed language includes:

### Rule 2.9 Approved Herd Sire

The ABHA will require all ABHA Black Hereford sires born after January 1, 2017, to have parentage on file through the ABHA testing service, be tested genetically free of the Known Genetic Defects listed in Rule 2.7, and be above the minimum height requirements in Rule 2.2 before their progeny can be registered. Once such tests are submitted to the ABHA, the bull will be listed as a "Approved Herd Sire," and will not lose that status, even if the ABHA adds additional requirements.

In the alternative an ABHA Black Hereford sire may be an Approved Herd Sire if the following requirements are met:

1. Both Parents have been tested genetically free of the Known Genetics Defects listed in Rule 2.7;
2. The ABHA Black Hereford sire has been DNA verified to both parents;
3. The ABHA Black Hereford sire has parentage on file with the ABHA; and
4. The ABHA Black Hereford sire has any other required tests as determined by the ABHA Board (example is the 100K).

## SECTION 10: DNA Testing

RULE 10: DNA Testing – DNA testing must be performed by the ABHA testing service. Notations for DNA testing results will be placed in the ABHA registry system. If an animal has been parent verified through DNA to both its sire and dam, the parents' notations will be placed on the animal if such tests were performed on both parents with the same results. However, Approved Herd Sires shall still have to follow Rule 2.9.

- ii. Motion by Matt Marsh to approve the Defect & DNA Testing Proposal as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Hardin; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
  - c. Performance Breeder Requirements
    - i. Motion by Chad Jones to implement Option 1 of the Performance Breeder Recognition Program plus an additional line that "Performance breeders will maintain a clean herd inventory of active animals only." to be reviewed after December 2027, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don; Vote as follows: Rod Garman-yes, Don Hardin-yes, Matt Marsh-yes, Mark Ipsen-no, Jacob Moreno-no, Todd Hampton-no, Chad Jones-yes, Mike Hamilton-no, Jeremiah Malone-no; 4 Yes votes to 5 No votes, No change at this time.
- X. Other Items—New Business
  - a. Motion by Matt Marsh to approve new magazine advertisement rates as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rod Garman; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
- XI. Announcements
- XII. Executive Session (if necessary)
- XIII. Adjourn
  - a. Motion by Jeremiah Malone to adjourn; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Hardin; Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM CT