

## AMERICAN BLACK HEREFORD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting  
January 22, 2024  
6:00 PM CT

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

Absent:

- I. Meeting called to order by ED Ernie Dominguez @ 6:05 PM CT  
Prayer: Rod Garman
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion by Mark to approve December meeting minutes as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rod; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
- III. Approval of Finance Report
  - a. Motion by Rod to approve the finance report as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
- IV. Committee Update
- V. Executive Vice President's Update
  - a. 580 members at 2023 year-end
  - b. Southern Classic Sale consignment entries are live on website
- VI. Membership
- VII. Vendor Support
- VIII. EPDs – Digital Beef
  - a. Management Codes and Parameters within Digital Beef
    - i. Discussion on the need to expand some of the management code options within Digital Beef.
  - b. EPD Annual Review
    - i. Discussion on having Dr. Randie Culbertson perform an audit of EPDs and provide insights on her findings.
  - c. Digital Beef Contract
    - i. Digital Beef has shared a renewal agreement for consideration. This would cover the ABHA for the next five years.
- IX. Other Items—Old Business
  - a. Miniature Black Hereford Registry Update
    - i. Digital Beef has built the registry for testing. Animal registrations are being tested before making the system live for registrations.
  - b. Genetic Defects/Delayed Blindness (DB) Defect Update
    - i. Motion by Mark to keep DB and MD as optional tests at \$24 per test or \$34 as a bundle test; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt; none opposed, no abstentions; motion passes
  - c. Neogen Agreement
    - i. Neogen has sent their new agreement to the ABHA for review. This new agreement will include pricing for new DB defect test.
- X. Other Items—New Business

a. ABHA Website Refresh

- i. Proposal has been received for a refresh of the ABHA website. More work to be done on options for a new look, organization and navigation of website.

XI. Announcements

XII. Executive Session (if necessary)

XIII. Adjourn

- a. Motion by Jeremiah to adjourn; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don; Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM CT