

United Braford Breeders board meeting

05/21/2021 at Graham Land & Cattle, Gonzales, TX, at 1:00pm (central time)

Attendees:

Johnny Harris
Dr. Jim Harvey
Bailey Herrin
Katelin Hyman
Charles & Michelle Johnson
Robert & Carol Mills
Will Moncrief
Larry Stanberry
Elliot & Russell Stanton

Proxies:

Dr. Jim Harvey appointed a proxy for Bill Rainer.

- Meeting called to order by Mr. Robert Mills & statement of purpose read by Dr. Jim Harvey.
- Minutes read from the previous board meeting via Zoom call on Thursday, April 1, 2021, by Katelin Hyman.
 - Motion to approve minutes was made by Dr. Harvey & seconded by Mr. Elliot Stanton.
 - All in favor, none opposed.
- Financial report summary given by Charles Johnson.
- Touched base on CPA work - they filed for an extension. On Tuesday, the 18th he emailed Bailey with a list of documents they needed. She would follow up.
- Credit card on auto draft - used for Mr. Payne & Mr. Hughes' flowers.
- Bought koozies & pens for the A&M Short Course & Sunbelt.
 - A&M Short Course:
 - August 2nd, 3rd & 4th.
 - Elliot, representing the TBBA, volunteered to sponsor a booth at the short course for \$800, if the members would be able to manage the booth during the duration.
 - Sunbelt:
 - October 19th, 20th & 21st
 - 10X10 booth, 10X10 pen

- Charlies Johnson planned on supplying the cattle to be on display. The Johnson's will bring the display with them.
 - Dr. Harvey is taking the lead.
 - 2nd payment information had not been emailed out, but the year before's initial payment was applied to 2021's cost due to the cancellation with COVID.
 - Motion to approve from Larry Stanberry, seconded by Johnny Harris.
 - All in favor.

- Bailey informed the board of her resignation. Projecting June 11th as her last day.
- Mr. Johnny requested for her to get a quote together to do our Braford News.
 - Board will bid out the magazine, already lined up three other candidates if Bailey is unable.

- Elliot Stanton rolled out the details on the annual meeting:
 - Meeting will be held on Friday, August 6th in Crockett, TX during the Exclusive Sale weekend.
 - Meeting will be Friday evening.
 - Depending on the situation with the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo, we might have to change the annual meeting again in the future.
 - Robert suggested rotating geographically zones, but Dr. Harvey said that the fewer folks to travel the easier, he did not mind making the trip. However, it was mentioned that Adam's sale was the biggest Braford based event in the east.
 - The Board of Directors will meet at the All-American Jr. National show in Texarkana, AR. Show will be held July 15-17th.
 - Meeting room on hold at the Holiday Inn Express in Texarkana.
- Motion to approve from Dr. Harvey, seconded by Charles Johnson.
- All in favor, none opposed.

- Larry Stanberry and Charles Johnson circled back to discuss some of their research on the various database proposals.
 - Robert Mills spoke with Webb Fields about the database issue & how we needed to move forward. Webb expressed his concern about Emma working in three separate systems. Webb said that he did not have a definite answer at this time, their contract has not even been finalized yet.
 - Digital Beef would run a *minimum* of \$21,000 for a five year contract, until we registered more than 1000 head. The UBB has not gotten a renewal contract from Neogen, so Bailey has not pushed it.

- Robert asked that we revisit once we hear back from Webb Fields.
- Motion made by Johnny to revisit the subject, seconded by Elliot.
- Motion passed, all in favor. None opposed.

- Michelle Johnson covered the All American Junior National show, which will be held July 15th - 17th held in Texarkana, AR. Hosted by the Smith family.
 - Move in will begin on July 14th; planning on a “social” that afternoon.
 - Jefferies Marketing will be doing coverage of the show.
 - Payment was two hotel rooms, for two nights. Contract has been signed & sent back.
 - Scholarships (discussed later in the meeting)
 - Skill-a-ton will be offered as a trial this year.
 - Elliot, representing TBBA, offered to sponsor the prizes.
 - Show & showmanship judge booked.
- Dr. Harvey & Elliot Stanton followed up on the changes to the inventory fee structure on F1 cattle. F1 cattle will move to section A at 16 months of age, with an inventory charge like the purebred cattle automatically.
 - Braford Plus cattle are not included.
 - Katelin will type up changes.

Section A - Reviewing your paid herd inventory

Section A of the attached printout is your inventory of females 16 months or older in January, 2022. Section A activity fees are \$10/female. Females include both purebred, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{5}{8}$ cattle and first generation, F1 females. To register calves in 2022, their dams must be listed in Section A of your inventory. Please carefully review your herd inventory and dispose of any animals that you no longer wish to have on inventory (i.e. animals that have died, been culled, etc.) If you omit an eligible female from your inventory and later determine that you would like to register offspring from that female, you will be required to pay a reactivation fee of \$100.

- Motion made to approve by Charles Johnson, seconded by Larry Stanberry.
- All in favor.

New business -

- Discussion of joining Payne Midyette & Bud Adams memorial scholarship. Elliot, Dr. Harvey & Katelin would work on the wording of the scholarship.
 - Scholarships would be sent to Katelin. Names of the applicants will be taken off & sent out to the Board of Directors. The board will interview applicants at the All-American & the winner will be announced at the banquet.
- Would like a write up about the winner(s) in the following issue of the magazine.

- CM Cattle offered to donate \$1,000 to the fund.
- Elliot, representing the show committee, proposed:
 - Seven purebred bull & heifer shows, top five scores counting towards “show animal of the year” title.
 - Five shows from F1 females, top four scores counting towards “show animal of the year” title.
 - Must have *at least* 20 head of F1 females for the show to count as a point show -

Tentative line up:

1. Four States Fair | Texarkana, AR (September)
 2. Louisiana State Fair | Shreveport, LA (October)
 3. Winter Classic (December)
 4. Cattleman’s Congress | Oklahoma, OK (January)
 5. Fort Worth Livestock Show & Rodeo | Fort Worth, TX (January)
 - a. NO F1 SHOW
 6. Dixie National Show | Jackson, MS (February)
 7. Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo | Houston, TX (March)
- Elliot also would like to get corporate sponsorships, no cost to the UBB for show animal of the year awards.
 - Motion made, all in favor.
- Dr. Harvey, proxy for Bill Rainer made the motion to close the meeting, seconded by Charles Johnson.
- Motion passed.