## Braunvieh Association of America

**Board of Directors Meeting** 

March 7, 2011 7:35 p.m. -CST

(Recorded and Taped by Joe Mask)

In attendance:

**Board of Directors:** 

Tommy Clark Rob Bodine
Mark Fullenwider Jeff Diles
Ron McBee Joe Mask

Jerry Jernigan Stephanie Nelson

Bob Zinnikas Ray Snider
Tommy Bean Robert Williams

Also in attendance were Samantha Murnin, Lisa Bard, Leslie McKibben, and Larry Lane

President Ron McBee called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. CST

First item of business was approval on the February 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> minutes Ron asks if there were any additions or corrections and there was one correction on 2-12-2011 minutes Livestock Publication Council should have been Pedigree Livestock Council, after no more comments Mark Fullenwider moved to accept with correction seconded by Ray Snider motion passed.

Jeff Diles discussed the treasurer report, highlights were that the bank account is in process of being moved and we were not able to pay down on line of credit due to the lack of memberships being paid and we had to use that money to operate the association. Robert Williams ask Stephanie about the historical data when it came to memberships being paid and Stephanie reported that in the past if memberships were not current breeders were not mailed assessments. Ron McBee ask if there were any other questions to Jeff's report and being none Joe Mask moved to accept the treasurer report as presented seconded by Mark Fullenwider, motion carried.

Ron McBee ask Leslie McKibben to talk to the board about item 4 on the agenda dues to be paid, after discussion on letter a Livestock Publication Council it was moved by Jeff Diles and seconded by Bob Zinnikas not to pay the dues this year. During the discussion period Tommy Clark had comments and Ron McBee ask Leslie what would happen if we did not pay this year, there was some discussion and Ron McBee called for the question and the motion passed not to pay the Livestock Publication Council dues this year. Next there was a discussion about letter b and Tommy Clark moved to pay the BIF dues and to stay involved, it was seconded by Jeff Diles and motion passed. Next on to letter c the U.S. Beef Breeds Council Samantha made comments on what she knew about the council and Ron McBee ask her to do some more research to help the board to make a more informed decision at a later date.

Next item of business was the Show Committee Report by Stephanie Nelson, first is that the BAA received a bill from National Western for the premiums and should the breeders or BAA pay the bill, second was to change the age breaks on Braunvieh heifers, and third was that the American Royal

because of the low number of percentage bulls they would like to group Braunvieh and Percentage bulls together. It was discussed to change the percentage classes so that we would not have as many classes at the Royal. Mark Fullenwider, Jeff Diles had comments on the report, it was ask what the total bill was for National Western and the total is \$652.00. Mark Fullenwider had questions, Jerry Jernigan ask if it was up to the states to pay premiums what state would do it, and Tommy Clark said that Samantha should talk with Roseanna Segarra and Russ Freeman about the bill, Ron McBee ask how many breeders were that and it was determined somewhere around fifteen. Ron asks for Samantha to look further into this issue with Roseanna.

The next item on the agenda was the Heifer Sponsorship Program; Randy Allgood was not on the call so that item was passed over.

Ron McBee asked Mark Fullenwider to discuss with the board item seven Issue date on registration papers. Much discussion about why this should be done proceeded. Mark Fullenwider moved to remove the issue date and replace it with a code upon dialog with Jim Bulger, seconded by Jeff Diles motion passed.

Next item was item eight Single Breed or Multi Breed EPDs. Ron McBee discussed that the board needed to decide which breed EPD we wanted to use. Tommy Clark stated since we have just been looking at this information since January maybe we need to look into it further.

Jeff Diles-had comments

Jerry Jernigan had questions for Jeff Diles

Tommy Clark asked about heterosizes in CSU model

Ron McBee, Jerry Jernigan, And Jeff Diles had comments

Tommy Clark remarked that there was no need to put this item on the fast track. Rob Bodine had comments about some numbers that he had put together, Ron McBee had comments about other breeds going to multi breed EPDs.

Rob Bodine, Jeff Diles and Tommy Clark had comments.

Ron McBee asks for any more discussion.

Rob Bodine moved to table this item of business to use single or multi breed EPDs. Ray Snider seconded his motion. During the discussion phase of the motion Ron McBee had comments and Tommy Clark had comments on the information to the Meat Animal Research. To a vote of 6-no and 5-yes Motion to table fails.

Bean-NO	Bodine-YES	Clark-YES	Diles-NO	Fullenwider- YES	Jernigan-NO
Mask-YES	Nelson-NO	Snider-NO	Williams-YES	Zinnikas-NO	

Tommy Clark moved to provide Clay Center Meat animal Research with Braunvieh single breed EPDs. Jerry Jernigan seconded the motion. During the discussion Robert Williams, Jeff Diles and Tommy Clark had comments for discussion. To a vote of 6-no and 5-yes Motion to send single breed EPDs to Clay Center fails.

Bean-NO	Bodine-YES	Clark-YES	Diles-NO	Fullenwider- NO	Jernigan-YES
Mask-NO	Nelson-NO	Snider-YES	Williams-YES	Zinnikas-NO	

Being that the motion failed it was determined that we would provide Clay Center with multi breed EPDs.

Tommy Clark moved to use Single and Multi Breed EPDs in the Braunvieh Sire Summary, seconded by Stephanie Nelson. Rob Bodine had questions; Tommy Clark mentioned by using both, this might eliminate the board and breeders from answering as many questions about the EPDs. To a vote of 7-yes and 3-no motion passed to use both single and multi breed EPDs in sire summary.

Bean-YES	Bodine-NO	Clark-YES	Diles-NO	Fullenwider- YES	Jernigan-YES
Mask-YES	Nelson-YES	Snider-YES	Williams-No	Zinnikas-Not	
				on Phone at	
				time of voting	

Ron McBee called for the next item, Finalize Plan for Change. Jeff Diles said that the first item was to look at the fee schedule, after discussion about fees it was determined to get the fees correct then rewrite rules to fit the new fee structure. Tommy Clark and Ray Snider had questions. Jerry Jernigan had comments about the email that he had sent out about fees. Mark Fullenwider had comments as well as Joe Mask and Jerry Jernigan. Stephanie Nelson asked if we had visited with GPS, Jeff Diles commented, that no we have not visited with GPS. Stephanie Nelson had more comments. Jeff Diles talked about that we should set our fees with the cost of business as of now. Ron McBee asked Stephanie Nelson if Jeff had answered her question about how we were coming up with the fees. Rob Bodine, Tommy Clark, Jeff Diles and Ron McBee had comments at this time. Stephanie Nelson asked about the number of assessments that have come back to the office. Ron McBee asked that question to be answered by Samantha Murrin, and the answer was that we needed to check with Leslie McKibben. Much discussion took place by several members of the board about this topic. Ron McBee asked Jerry Jernigan how he came up with his fee statement that he had emailed the board. Jerry responded by saying he had used different models. Rob Bodine, Ron McBee and Tommy Clark had comments. Rob Bodine commented that we did not all get a chance to bring up new ideas in Kansas City, much dialog followed about herd management and office management.

Robert Williams moved for Ron McBee to form a committee to look at herd management and Office Duties for the BAA, this was seconded by Mark Fullenwider. Ron McBee called for discussion. Tommy Clark asks questions about the description of office duties. Ron McBee called for the vote and the motion passed.

Ron McBee named his committee Robert Williams Chairman, Rob Bodine, Stephanie Nelson, Jeff Diles and Joe Mask members. The time frame for committee recommendations will be March 23, 2011.

Ron McBee went back to talking about the fee schedule.

Tommy Bean moved to accept the fee schedule as presented with the adjustment of the registration fees to what GPS is using for ages. Dr. Bob Zinnikas seconded the motion. Jerry Jernigan during discussion said we need to get rid of the question marks on the spread sheet. Discussion followed to

clear up the question marks. There will be a statement somewhere on the fee statement that all fees for non-members will be doubled. After more discussion President McBee called for the question in a voice vote the motion passed to accept the fee schedule as presented with the adjustment of the registration fees to what GPS is using for ages.

Ron McBee asked Jeff Diles what else should be done. Jeff Diles said me need to look at our rules. Jerry Jernigan said he would have recommendations and changes to the board before our next meeting. Ron McBee asks if they could be easy to read when voting upon for example here is what it says now and here is what it should say. Jeff Diles had comments about billing transitions. Ron McBee asks Samantha Murrin what Jim Bulger could do on printing assessments and explanations to the members. Samantha said she would check, and then Ron McBee asks Stephanie Nelson how long it would take to run the bills, some dialog follows. Much discussion follows about how to send the bills for assessments with the cows on inventory and the cows that were removed from inventory.

Ron McBee asks Leslie McKibben what the account payables would be on March 23, 2011 after comments it was determined that no bills for assessments would go out until March 23, 2011.

Ron McBee talked about getting information on the agenda and after comments he moved to item ten on the agenda.

Rob Bodine makes comments about Ron McBee asking Lisa Bard to write articles that they should go to the board before going to the membership; this was in reference to an article that was written about the plan for change that was going in the Braunvieh World. Then Rob Bodine said he had asked for financials and the office staff was reluctant to send him the information. Ron McBee told the board that he was asked by Lisa bard if she could write the article and he proofread the article, and then there were comments about how Rob Bodine found out about the article. Much discussion followed. Ron McBee asks what was in the article that should not go out to the membership, Rob Bodine had comments and Ron McBee told the board how this would be handled in the future.

Ron McBee asks for any item of old business. Tommy Clark asks to overturn the two previous motions about using single and multi breed EPDs, much discussion follows.

Tommy Clark moved to reconsider the two motions to send multi breed EPDs to Clay Center and to use both single and multi breed for the BAA sire summary, seconded by Jerry Jernigan. Much discussion follows Ron McBee calls for the voice vote with a vote of 6-yes and 5-no the motion passes to reconsider.

Bean-NO	Bodine-YES	Clark-YES	Diles-NO	Fullenwider- NO	Jernigan-YES
Mask-YES	Nelson-YES	Snider-YES	Williams-NO	Zinnikas-NO	

Tommy Clark moves to send Clay Center Meat Animal Research single breed EPDs for Braunvieh, seconded by Ray Snider, motion passed.

Ron McBee asks if there is any other business. Being none

Tommy Clark moves to adjourn seconded by Stephanie Nelson motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m. CST

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