

Braunvieh Association of America  
Board of Directors Meeting via Teleconference  
March 11, 2014  
7:30 pm CST

President Marilyn Brink called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. CST. Members in attendance included Marilyn Brink, Dwight Alexander, Brad Doke, Tommy Clark, Benny Phillips, Blake Bagley, Jerry Jernigan, Kendall Schlake, Jeff Zimmerman and Clay Stotts. Board members absent from the meeting were Mark Nelson and Todd Hill. Guest at the meeting was John Hall and Ed Cahoj.

President Brink presented the minutes as printed. Benny Phillips moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and Jeff Zimmerman seconds the motion. Motion carried. There were 3 corrections to the minutes as printed. Date should have been February 11, 2014; Field Day at Brink Ranch is June 7, 2014 and Dustin Dean spelling corrected on name. Tommy Clark made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Clay Stotts second the motion. The motion carried.

Benny Phillips gave the Treasure Report. Benny commented on the increase in revenue in several areas and was encouraged that the growth continued at a slow, but positive direction. Tommy Clark moved to accept the Treasure Report and Brad Doke second the motion. Motion carried.

There was discussion about errors in the POP billing and corrections that had been made with the program. The decision was made to let any corrections or changes in the bills be handled by each individual breeder.

President Brink introduced guest Ed Cahoj and turned the discussion over to him. Ed led the conversation about the opportunity to have research conducted on homozygous black and the study of hair and coat color. He shared how the opportunity had become available with Dr. Shelia Schmutz of Canada to oversee this program and had a graduate student interested in conducting the study. The cost of the study is \$10,000.00. John Hall also gave thoughts and needs for this study and confirmed the expertise of Dr. Schmutz. Tommy Clark mentioned how involved she had been in the albinism research and her interest in the Braunvieh breed. After much discussion about raising the money to cover the research and donations and sponsorship, it was decided to table the final decision on how that credits might be given to donors based on their samples for the next few years. There was discussion about the economic advantages and the benefit to the breed to do a study. Benny Phillips made the motion and Brad Doke second the motion that the Braunvieh Association contributes \$5,000.00 toward the \$10,000.00 cost of the research and development of the test to identify the dilutor gene on the homozygous black under the supervision of Dr. Sheila Schmutz. President Brink called for a roll call vote and everyone answered with a yes vote making the motion pass with 100% in favor of the motion. Ed Cahoj agreed to solicit the other \$5,000.00 from breeders and other sources.

President Brink appointed a committee to oversee the Homozygous Black research committee. Members are Ed Cahoj, John Hall, Tommy Clark and Dwight Alexander.

President Brink gave a brief review of the American Rancher program and confirmed the 3 showings the week of March 17<sup>th</sup>. The new show has new footage, which should make a positive impact. Sponsors of this show are: Bagley Farms, Mystic Hill, Diamond H Ranch, John Hall, Grow Safe and Genetic Development Center.

The Braunvieh web site will have new updates before the next American Rancher show. Advertisers will receive billing soon for the next quarter ads if they decided to renew their ads.

The Braunvieh World has gone to press and should be in the mail. This publication has 24 pages and should be a great publication.

Benny Phillips gave a report on the Navasota Bull Test and said 4-5 bulls have been sold and the interest continues to grow in the bulls after the final E Blast. Delivery for the next bull test will be in June.

The following BAA committee chairman were appointed:

Ethics---Brad Doke

Exhibition---Clay Stotts

Finance--- Benny Phillips

Breeder's Guidelines & Registrations & Transfers--Jerry Jernigan

Junior----Jeff Zimmerman

Performance----Kendall Schlake

The next teleconference meeting was set for April 15, 2014 at 7:30 CST.

A motion was made by Jerry Jernigan and second by Blake Bagley to adjourn. Motion passed.