

**American Gelbvieh Association Board of Directors**

**Action Points**

**August 16-17, 2013**

1. Approved Board meeting minutes from April 19, 2013 and dispensed with the reading of same.
2. Approved March activity report, March financial statement and current summary of bank accounts.
3. Approved Mitchell Management Services as the manager of the 2014 National Gelbvieh and Balancer® Sale.
4. Approved the proposed 2014 AGA Annual Convention schedule for January 10-13, with the committee meetings to meet in December 2013 via web-meeting.
5. Voted to require that AI sires be required to be tested for all genetic conditions designated with monitor or warning status (currently AM, NH, CA, OS and DD) prior to issuance of an AI permit, effective 8-16-13. \*See October 9, 2013 policy below.
6. Voted to require that donor females be tested for all genetic conditions designated with monitor or warning status (currently AM, NH, CA, OS and DD) prior to registration of their ET progeny, effective 8-16-13. \*See October 9, 2013 policy below.
7. Directed staff to facilitate DNA testing the 50 sires with the most progeny born 2009-2012 for all genetic conditions listed on monitor or warning status (currently AM, NH, CA, OS and DD) at AGA expense. \*See October 9, 2013 policy below.
8. Directed staff to pursue a collaborative effort with the American Simmental Association in the development of a commercial producer feeder calf economic index and a secondary effort to investigate a commercial producer replacement heifer economic index.
9. Approved to add to the Bylaws Article VI Committees D: Breed Improvement Committee the following - *The Breed Improvement Committee will recommend research projects that will meet the Association's breed improvement goals and solicit research proposals to meet the objectives of those projects. The Association will reject proposals from individuals or institutions that include any indirect cost components as part of the research proposal.*
10. Accepted the National Sale committee recommendation for the National Sale Rules to require all animals selling must be tested for all genetic conditions designated with monitor status (currently AM, NH, CA, OS and DD).
11. Directed staff to negotiate a one-year contract with Virgil Scott Consulting to enhance fundraising efforts for the American Gelbvieh Foundation.
12. Voted to accept the 2013-2014 American Gelbvieh Association and *Gelbvieh World* budgets with capital purchases as presented.

13. Directed staff to send a letter and packet to the membership outlining the CA information from the August Board meeting.
14. Approved the formation of a committee for index oversight/development consisting of two board members and two industry individuals.

### **AGA Board Approves Genetic Conditions Testing Policy**

The American Gelbvieh Association Board of Directors has adopted a new genetic conditions testing policy. The complete document containing all policy information can be found on the Genetic Conditions Information page under the Education Center tab at [www.gelbvieh.org](http://www.gelbvieh.org). The core genetic conditions testing policy, effective October 9, 2013, is as follows:

1. All new AI sires and donor females must be tested for AM, NH, CA, DD and OS at the owners expense in order to register progeny.
2. The top 50 sires each year (that have not been previously tested) will be tested for AM, NH, CA, DD and OS at AGA's expense.
3. Other than points one and two above, there is **no additional mandatory testing.**
4. On **all** pedigrees, the animal's genetic condition status will be designated