

Précis of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
08.30-13.00 Wednesday 30th November 2016-12-13
at the Jersey Cattle Pavilion, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire

Attendance: President Su Mahon (SM,) President Elect: Lena Lewis (LL), Chairman Steven Bland (SM), Directors: Ashley Fleming (AF), John Dickinson (JD), Helen Cox (HC), Mark Davies (MD), Mark Logan(ML), and John Whitby (JW). Chief Executive: Duncan Jones (DJ), Company Secretary: Emma Horn (EH).

1.Apologies: No apologies.

2.Approval of the Minutes:

(a) Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held on 27th September 2016 at the Grange Hotel, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. The minutes were circulated prior to the meeting.

SB asked the Board for any comments or amendments in the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held 27th September 2016. No amendments were made and SB asked for a proposer that the minutes were a true and accurate recording of events. HC proposed and ML seconded. The board agreed unanimously. SB signed the Minutes of 27th September 2016.

3.Classification Workshop combined with Society Board meeting.

Date confirmed 19th January **2017**

Location Potterswalls Jerseys, County Down

Board Meeting 8 -12 Workshop 2-4

4.European Jersey Forum

It is unclear who is the UK representative for the European Jersey Forum, EH would send a letter to clarify who the UK representative was, and subject to the outcome JW would be our nominated representative.

5.Quality Milk Producers:

SM reported that QMP had approximately 340 members. QMP had renewed their licence with Graham's Dairies.

6.Judge-Resigning Judges and Associate Judges

ML said he would like to advise any Judges in advance who is on course for missing the required attendance of 3 Judges Conferences. ML would speak to the Judges in advance of the next conference to let them know about the attendance rule. There are 3 Associate judges, all had been to previous conferences and the Society would like to encourage them to continue. All 3 to be invited to the next Judges conference in 2017, and the cost of hosting the conference to be looked at.

7.Articles of Association:

It had been decided to amend our articles at the last meeting. JW and SB asked if the Board members were still in agreement that the current Articles needed to be updated and amended to become fit for purpose. Unanimous yes. JW, SB and DJ will meet to progress the amendments.

8.Update on Genomic Role out:

Genomic training session on Tuesday 13th December. Venue at the Farmers Fayre, Stoneleigh, in attendance SB, DJ ,Rebecca Hurd, Valerie Robinson, Allison Whitelaw, EH with Dr Jack Behan.

9.Finance:

This was discussed and EH expressed the importance of budgeting each activity in advance of the activity taking place. EH asked each Director to budget for activities they are in charge of leading. eg. Members and Club Roadshows, Youth Development Day, Youth Activities, Judges Conferences, Show Attendance, and The UKJT.

10.JCS Web site:

Purpose to discuss and plan requirement (format, design, content, tools, budget) The board agreed to have a working party consisting of Board directors MD, HC, Youth member William Patten and FSO Rebecca Hurd.

11.UK JT Publication:

HC reported on the production of the November 2016 edition of the UKJT. ML and MD had received positive comments about the UKJT. SB said there was still strong perception the magazine was not very commercially focused, HC felt this was difficult as herself and The Farm Organisation had purposely continued to make sure farm visits were to commercial farms and certain editions were purely commercially founded. DJ stressed more advertisements should be incorporated to cover costs. HC continued it is a Society Magazine , it is evolving and has come a long way since the first edition in 2015

12.Members Roadshow:

SB stated the Members Roadshow was planned for March 2017. The Roadshow would consist of 3-4 meetings held at different locations in the UK

13.AOB:

Field officers send a weekly report of their activities to the Board.

Child policy:

DJ read the legal standing of child protection. MD has been CRB checked, EH to check if MD needs to be checked again for the purpose of the Society.

Risk assessment on farm and first aid:

Risk assessment upon arrival and procedure on farm (ie checking clippers, electric sockets etc) needs to be carried out by a qualified person. First aid needs to be carried out by a qualified person.

Fern Pearston, AHDB Presentation:

The Board meeting closed at this point to allow Fern Pearston of AHDB to give an update on the current trends seen within the breeds PLI and type merit traits after the last review of the Jersey Breed in July 2015. AF highlighted the concern about the 4 linears of the top four listed PLI bulls being negative in narrowness and stature.

Judges conference- 4th May 2017 to be held by kind permission of the Pye family (Bayview Jerseys) Carnforth, Lancashire.

AGM Date to be decided.