

BOARD ACTION

Board Meets at Annual Meeting

The following is a review of the topics discussed and action taken during the Nov. 7 and 9, 2020, meetings of the American Angus Association Board of Directors in Kansas City, Mo.

Topics addressed

Gina Hope, American Angus Auxiliary president, gave an overview of the Auxiliary's activities of the past year.

The 2020 Annual Report and fiscal year (FY) 2020 finances were reviewed. Jerry Connealy moved, seconded by Barry Pollard, to accept the report. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chuck Grove moved, seconded by Jerry Connealy, that minutes of regular and executive session Board meetings may be presented for review, amendment and approval through an online Board portal. The motion was unanimously approved.

Staff presented an update on haplotype research. More detailed data is being sought to advance research.

Final rollout plans for the new inventory reporting option in Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) were reviewed.

Discussion continued regarding the need to differentiate registered Angus bulls from nonregistered but genomically tested bulls in the market.

An update on AngusLinkSM was provided which included a review of participation and results from the summer video sales. It was noted

AngusLink enrollments were up more than 70% for the year with data showing a premium for Angus-sired calves close to \$50 per head.

The Events and Education Committee met Sept. 30, 2020, Oct. 7, 2020, and Oct. 8, 2020, via video conference.

- Jonathan Perry moved, seconded by John Grimes, to approve a Super Roll of Victory (ROV) show and to support the Cattlemen's Congress in Oklahoma City, Okla. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Jonathan Perry moved, seconded by David Dal Porto, to transfer the 2021 National Western Stock Show (NWSS) judges to the 2022 NWSS judge nominations. The NWSS pen judges will remain the same for the 2021 Cattlemen's Congress. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Jonathan Perry moved, seconded by Mike McCravy, to move the NWSS Carload Show to a Pen of Five Show with bulls only. The motion was unanimously approved.
- David Dal Porto moved, seconded by John Grimes, to recognize the Nebraskan as a regular ROV

show and the junior show with regular ROV premium support and staff assistance. The motion was unanimously approved.

- The committee was presented with schedule options for the 2021 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) including a normal and shortened schedule. Staff was directed to bring an additional shortened schedule, with the event concluding on Friday, to the February Board meeting.
- The committee reviewed member letters regarding input on a no-fit policy. No action was taken.
- The committee was presented with an update to the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) general rules. These will be included in the 2021 green book online.
- The committee was presented with a multi-ownership option for junior show animals. Staff was directed to investigate potential scenarios of a multi-ownership rule utilizing the ROV Breeder definition. Additional discussion will be held at the February Board meeting.
- The committee reviewed extending the NJAA age limit

for one year for those whose eligibility ended in 2020. No action was taken.

- John Grimes moved, seconded by Jonathan Perry, to accept the associate judge nominations for Cattlemen's Congress Super Point ROV Show and the Cattlemen's Congress Jr. Angus Show. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mick Varilek moved, seconded by Jonathan Perry, to approve the report of the Events and Education Committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting dates

Pursuant to the Association's bylaws, Jerry Connealy moved, seconded by Barry Pollard, to elect Mark McCully as CEO and Kenny Miller as assistant secretary for 2021. The motion was unanimously approved.

The 2021 Annual Convention of Delegates will be hosted Nov. 8, 2021, in Fort Worth, Texas.

James Coffey moved, seconded by Jonathan Perry, to approve the following 2021 meeting dates. The motion was unanimously approved.

Feb. 23-26	Saint Joseph, Mo.
June 7-10	TBD
Sept. 7-10	Saint Joseph, Mo.
Nov. 5	Fort Worth, Texas
Nov. 8	Fort Worth, Texas

Angus Foundation

Richard Dyar moved, seconded by Alan Miller, to elect the Board of Directors of the Angus Foundation for 2021 as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Richard Dyar nominated Barry Pollard to serve as chair of the Angus Foundation Board for 2021. The nomination was seconded by Alan Miller. With no other nominations, Barry Pollard was elected unanimously.

Alan Miller moved, seconded by Richard Dyar, to elect additional officers for 2021 as listed below. The motion passed unanimously.

Angus Foundation 2021 Board of Directors

Barry Pollard, chair
Mark McCully, vice chair
Kenny Miller, secretary
Thomas Marten, executive director
Jim Brinkley
Richard Dyar
Alan Miller
Margaret Duprey, at large
Tom McGinnis, at large
Vacant, industry representative
Alan Miller moved, seconded by Jim Brinkley, to approve the reappointment of the following individuals to the External Relations Committee as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

External Relations Committee

Emily Barnes
Wynn Dalton
Ashby Green
Curtis Long
Bob Norton
John Toledo

Angus Genetics Inc.

Mick Varilek moved, seconded by Jonathan Perry, to elect the Board of Directors of Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI) for 2021 as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

James Coffey nominated Alan Miller to serve as chair of the 2021 AGI Board. The nomination was seconded by Mick Varilek. With no other nominations, Alan Miller was elected unanimously.

James Coffey moved, seconded by Mick Varilek, to elect additional officers for 2021 as shown below. The motion passed unanimously.

AGI 2021 Board of Directors

Alan Miller, chair
Mark McCully, vice chair
Joel Cowley, president

Kenny Miller, secretary-treasurer
Jim Brinkley
James Coffey
Dave Hinman
Mike McCravy
Charles Mogck
Mick Varilek

Angus Productions Inc. d/b/a Angus Media

Jerry Connealy moved, seconded by Darrell Stevenson, to elect the Board of Directors of Angus Productions Inc. (API) for 2021 as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Jonathan Perry nominated Jerry Connealy to serve as chair of the 2021 API Board. The nomination was seconded by Richard Dyar. With no other nominations, Jerry Connealy was elected unanimously.

James Coffey moved, seconded by Jonathan Perry, to elect additional officers for 2021 as shown below. The motion passed unanimously.

API 2021 Board of Directors

Jerry Connealy, chair
Mark McCully, vice chair
Brett Spader, president
Kenny Miller, secretary-treasurer
James Coffey
Richard Dyar
Smitty Lamb
Jonathan Perry
Darrell Stevenson
Bob Bruncker, industry representative

Certified Angus Beef LLC

Jonathan Perry moved, seconded by Mike McCravy, to elect the Board of Directors of Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) for 2021 as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Barry Pollard nominated Jonathan Perry to serve as chair of the 2021 CAB Board. The nomination was seconded by Chuck Grove. With no other nominations, Jonathan Perry

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was elected unanimously.

Chuck Grove moved, seconded by Barry Pollard, to elect additional officers for 2021 as shown below. The motion passed unanimously.

CAB LLC 2021

Jonathan Perry, chair
Mark McCully, vice chair
John Stika, president
Brent Eicher, secretary-treasurer
Chuck Grove
Dave Hinman
Mike McCravy
Barry Pollard
Mick Varilek
Dwight “Kip” Palmer, industry representative

Standing Committees

The following 2021 standing committees and appointments were presented as shown below.

Executive Committee

David Dal Porto, chairman
Jerry Connealy, vice chairman
Chuck Grove, treasurer
Alan Miller
Jonathan Perry
Barry Pollard
Mick Varilek
Mark McCully, CEO, *ex officio*

Breed Improvement Committee

Mick Varilek, chairman
Alan Miller, vice chairman
Jerry Connealy
Smitty Lamb
Darrell Stevenson

Commercial Programs Committee

Jim Brinkley, chairman
Jonathan Perry, vice chairman
Jerry Connealy
Dave Hinman
Smitty Lamb
Darrell Stevenson

Communications and Public Relations Committee

James Coffey, chairman
Richard Dyar, vice chairman
Mark Ahearn
Mike McCravy

Gerald Theis

Events and Education Committee

Mike McCravy, chairman
Chuck Grove, vice chairman
Mark Ahearn
Alan Miller
Jonathan Perry

Finance and Planning Committee

Chuck Grove, chairman
Barry Pollard, vice chairman
Jim Brinkley
James Coffey
Alan Miller

Member and Affiliate Services

Committee

Dave Hinman, chairman
Richard Dyar, vice chairman
Charles Mogck
Gerald Theis
Mick Varilek

Research Priorities Committee

Jerry Connealy, chairman,
Association vice president
Chuck Grove, Association treasurer
Alan Miller, AGI chairman
Jonathan Perry, CAB chairman
Barry Pollard, Angus Foundation chairman
Joel Cowley, AGI president
John Stika, CAB president
Kelli Retallick, AGI director genetic research
ex officio
Mark McCully, Association CEO
Kenny Miller, Association CFO
Thomas Marten, Angus Foundation executive director

Joe Cassidy, education member
Larry Kuehn, industry member

National Cattlemen’s Beef

Association Appointments
National Cattlemen’s Beef Association (NCBA) Board representative

Alan Miller
Ag and Food Policy Committee
Barry Pollard
Cattle Health and Well-Being

Committee

Mike McCravy
Live Cattle Marketing Committee

Jim Brinkley

International Trade Committee

James Coffey

Other Board appointments

Chaplain

Mick Varilek

Parliamentarian

Sean Colligan, Stinson Leonard Street LLP

Outside Representative Selection Committees

Angus Foundation

David Dal Porto, Association president
Jerry Connealy, Association vice president
Barry Pollard, Angus Foundation chairman
Mark McCully, Association CEO, *ex officio*

Angus Genetics Inc.

David Dal Porto, Association president
Jerry Connealy, Association vice president
Alan Miller, AGI chairman
Mark McCully, Association CEO, *ex officio*

Angus Productions Inc.

David Dal Porto, Association president
Jerry Connealy, Association vice president
Chuck Grove, Association treasurer
Mark McCully, Association CEO, *ex officio*

Certified Angus Beef LLC

David Dal Porto, Association president
Jerry Connealy, Association vice President
Jonathan Perry, CAB LLC chairman
Mark McCully, Association CEO, *ex officio*

Next regular Board meeting

Feb. 23-26, 2021, Saint Joseph, Mo.

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