

SUMMARY OF THE TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING

HELD THURSDAY 11th MARCH 2021 VIA ZOOM

FOR ISSUE TO CLUB SECRETARIES & HYB COORDINATORS

Present: -

Chairman: Michael Smale (MS)

Trustees: Andrew Williamson (AW), David Jones (DJ), David Yates (DY), Edward Griffiths (EG), Iwan Morgan (IM), Jane Targett (JT), Jane Whittaker (JW), John Hartley (JH), Matthew Winter (MW), Peter Prior (PP), Sandy Pirie (SP), Stephen Hill (SH), Wallace Gregg (WG), William Williamson (WW)

In attendance: Sue Cope (SC), Melanie Harmitt (MH), Robert Clare (RC) Apologies:

Minute Taker: Hannah Williams (HW)

1.0 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Michael Smale welcomed the room.
- 1.2 There were no apologies.

2.0 ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

- 2.1 Members for election were proposed.
- 2.2 Jane Targett proposed, Peter Prior seconded and they were accepted by the board.

3.0 COMMITTEE UPDATES

3.1 FINANCE

- 3.11 The Board were advised that the cash position for the group was extremely positive.
- 3.12 The Board reviewed the draft full year 2020 management accounts for the group. The Board were advised that these accounts were currently being audited and the final version would be published in the Annual Report.

3.2 OPERATIONS

- 3.21 The Board reviewed the current DEFRA consultation on gene editing and agreed a response. The Board's view was that there was a role for gene editing but it should be supported by strict regulations.
- 3.22 The Board reviewed the current DEFRA consultations on TB and agreed a response. The Board's view was to support the continued roll out of the badger cull, the increased use of animal testing and that more research should be done into TB testing, cattle vaccination and the effect of that vaccination on other animal health testing.

3.3 SHOW & SALE

- 3.31 The Board were informed that subject to government restrictions the society were hoping to host the following events in 2021.
 - Premier Herd Open Day 22nd July
 - HYB Weekend Rally 14th 15th August
 - UK Dairy Day 15th September
 - ABAB Calf Show 16th 17th October

3.4 SCIENCE

3.41 The Science Committee completed their annual classification review and were extremely pleased with the harmonisation throughout the classifiers.

4.0 2020/21 PRESIDENT ELECT NOMINATIONS

- 4.1 The Board previously agreed that John Jamieson who would be taking over as president in June 2021 would serve as President for a period of two years. Therefore, the successful president elect candidate would take over as President Elect in June 2021 for a period of two years also, standing for president in
- 4.2 June 2023. The Board voted on the nominations for the 2023/24 Holstein UK President
- 4.3 The 2023/24 Holstein UK President was confirmed as Andrew Jones (Rossett)

5.0 2021 TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS

5.1	The Board approved the 2021 trustee nominations as follows:		
	Southern	Ben Yates (Wowcow)	1 st Term
	Yorkshire	David Lawson (Newbirks)	1 st Term
	South Wales	Richard Thomas (Churchvale)	1 st Term
	Scotland	Sandy Pirie (Machrihanish)	2 nd Term

8.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7.1 The date of the next Holstein UK Board Meeting is still to be confirmed once COVID-19 guidelines are known.