

Action Points from the July 2016 AGA Board of Directors Meeting

The American Gelbvieh Association (AGA) Board of Directors met July 25 and 26 for the summer board meeting, which was held at the Renaissance Boulder Flatiron Hotel in Broomfield, Colorado. The following is a list of action points approved by the Board:

1. Moved to accept the minutes of the April 2016 board meeting, April 2016 conference call and June 2016 conference call.
2. Moved to authorize the AGA Board of Directors executive committee to draft the gifting agreement between the AGA and the American Gelbvieh Foundation (AGF) in order to govern the terms of financial contributions from the AGA to the AGF.
3. Moved to adopt the American Gelbvieh Junior Association bylaws changes as presented by members of the AGJA Board of Directors present at the AGA board meeting.
4. Moved to adopt the recommendations of the breed improvement committee to transition immediately to the Colorado State University Consecutive Calving (CSU C.C.) model with eventual investigation into IGS Random Regression model. CSU C.C. model is between .70 and .82, which suggests the model, is a positive improvement for animals in the AGA database and is more reflective of lifetime productivity and will improve the accuracy of the \$Cow index as well. The consecutive calving model also promotes a smoother transition of migration to the multi-breed Random Regression model that will be available through the multi-breed genetic evaluation one step method in the future.
5. Moved to accept the recommendation from the breed improvement committee to require heifer exposure data beginning in 2017. The breed improvement committee recognized that exposure data is easily recorded in the online registry and information that breeders collect during breeding season..
6. Moved to accept the recommendation from the breed improvement committee to retain letter of intent sent to USDA in support of environmental sensitivity study, which is a collaborative effort between Kansas State University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and US Meat Animal Research Center and requires no financial component from the AGA.
7. Moved to fully fund the Gelbvieh Regional Advertising Program requests at \$36,274 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.
8. Moved to relocate the National Gelbvieh and Balancer® Sale back to the National Western Stock Show. Plan to host the sale at the Stadium Arena on Sunday.

9. Moved to send a representative to Young Cattlemen's Conference annually on behalf of the AGA through selection by a nominating committee, consisting of an AGA representative, AGF representative and AGA staff.

10. Moved to discuss with the Canadian Gelbvieh Association a cost of services similar to the costs of the membership of the American Gelbvieh Association.

11. Moved to authorize the retention of \$200,000 in a net protected principal account garnered from the sale of the AGA headquarters office to be managed for the long-term benefit of the AGA.

12. Moved to accept the AGA budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year as presented with revised line items based on committee and staff presentations.