

Minutes of World Brahman Federation Meeting
Meeting Room of ABCZ – Uberaba, Brazil
October 21, 2010 @ 3:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Dr. Jose Amauri Dimarzio – Brazil	Martin Gomez - Philippines
Chris Shivers – USA	Rowland Munger - Botswana
John Atkinson - Australia	Gina Ferioli Parish - Bolivia
Dr. Gerardo Vargas – Costa Rica	Siegfried Schneider - Namibia
Johan Olivier – South Africa	Fernando Llano - Paraguay
Pedro Vallarino - Panama	John Milton Torres - Ecuador
Alfredo Haynes – Argentina	Jose Victor Chain - Colombia

The World Brahman Federation meeting was called to order by President Dimarzio.

An introduction of members present was made.

The minutes of the March 3, 2010 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Chris Shivers gave a financial report. He reported that there is a total of \$11,235.19 in the World Brahman Federation bank account. This is mainly generated by member dues.

Pedro Vallarino made a motion to accept the financial report. Seconded by Johan Olivier. Motion carried.

Dr. Dimarzio stated that Colombia and Bolivia will join the World Brahman Federation by paying their member dues. He stated that members should become current with their dues and that Armelinda Ibarra would be collecting dues for those who have not paid their 2010 dues.

Dr. Dimarzio stated that the 2012 World Brahman Congress will be hosted in Panama, the 2014 WBC will be hosted in South Africa and the 2016 WBC will be hosted in Australia. He asked for any petitions for 2018 and 2020.

Jose Victor Chain, President of the Colombian Association requested that the 2018 WBC Congress be hosted in Colombia. Seconded by Chris Shivers. Motion carried.

Fernando Llano representative of Paraguay requested that the 2020 WBC be hosted in Paraguay. Seconded by Fabio Jaramillo. Motion carried.

Dr. Dimarzio encouraged everyone to submit data to be included in the World Brahman Federation website. He stated that this would be a great site for member countries to include trade agreements, promote business opportunities and post any upcoming activities and/or events in each country. He also stated that in the future he would like to come up with a plan to utilize the member dues other than just maintaining the website.

Dr. Dimarzio passed out and reviewed a report on “Brahman Statistics”. He encouraged everyone to submit a report similar to this for inclusion in the WBF website. He also suggested monthly reviews by each member country.

Pedro Vallarino Cox gave a report on the 2012 WBC to be held in Panama. He first thanked Brazil for hosting the 2010 WBC and stated the outstanding job headed by Dr. Dimarzio. Mr. Vallarino stated that many changes have taken place in Panama since they hosted the WBC in 1994. They are working diligently with the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Tourism Office, and Banking community to make this a successful international event. He asked for ideas and/or suggestions and promised to make this an unforgettable event.

Under other business, Johan Olivier of South Africa addressed the group with regards to the acceptance of Breedplan EBV's between the USA, Australia, Republic of South Africa, as well as other countries. He stated that South African producers still encounter problems because Breedplan does not accept the USA EBV's. This causes South African breeders to collect new data in order to build a record for the progeny of specific sires used in South Africa. He stated that they would like for Breedplan to recognize worldwide EBV's and asked for support from the World Brahman Federation.

Chris Shivers stated that the American Brahman Breeders Association supports this request and he suggests that a meeting be set-up with Arthur Richards and John Croaker to discuss this matter in further detail.

Fabio Jaramillo stated that since each country collects their own markers, genomics, and EPD's, we could possibly combine all data in an effort to compose an extensive large data base for a more accurate genetic evaluation for each animal.

Chris Shivers suggested that a Task Force be appointed to meet with Igenity & Pfizer.

Dr. Dimarzio appointed Johan Olivier of Australia to act as representative of the World Brahman Federation. Chris Shivers agreed to work together with Johan and John Croaker of Australia collectively to find a resolution to this matter.

Johan Olivier requested that each member country submit a protocol from their respective country.

Dr. Dimarzio requested that each member country submit Johan Olivier their protocols.

By the end of the meeting WBF dues were collected from: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, and Ecuador.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Armelinda Ibarra
ABBA Recording Secretary