

**WORLD JERSEY CATTLE BUREAU**  
**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held at The Embassy Suites, Columbus Airport**  
**On SUNDAY 24th JUNE 2018,**  
**Commencing at 8am**  
**AGENDA**

**1. President's Welcomes**

Mr D Frigot, President of the Bureau, welcomed delegates and guests as present (2 below) and took the opportunity to thank AJCA, our hosts, for organising a programme packed with visits and presentations of such interest to all Jersey breeders..

**2. Record those present and receive apologies for absence**

Present were D Frigot (President), A Theron (VP Africa), T Saunders (VP Asia /Oceania), A Levring (VP Europe), A Robredo (VP Latin America), P Ness (Australia), P Lenehan (Australia), D Morey (Canada), P MacDougall (Canada), G Maldonado (Colombia), B Olesen (Denmark), P Larson (Denmark), R Schmitt (Germany), P Borello (Italy), R Perchard (Jersey Island), D Hambrook (Jersey Island), Mrs A Gibb (NZ), D Hickey (NZ), P van Deventer (S Africa), M Schuler (Switzerland), Mrs L Lewis (UK), C Sorenson (USA), J Huffard III (USA). In attendance, S Le Feuvre (Treasurer) and R Trehwella (Secretary).

Also present were Marcelo Xavier (Brazil), B Guiouller (France), J Cabassa (Guatemala), I Anderson (Australia), R Hermansen (Denmark), J Traedholm (Denmark), M Hollensen (Denmark), A Larson (Denmark), S Borrello (Italy), D Calderon (Colombia), R Shaw (NZ), B Chaumeil (France), R Gibson (NZ), G Heazlewood (Australia), Mr & Mrs W Owens (USA), Mrs W Anderson (Australia).

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs K Roxburgh (VP N America), Mrs H Roloffova (Czech Republic), A Trajani (Albania), Mr & Mrs J Bailey (NZ), Mr & Mrs R Dobson (NZ), Mr & Mrs R Angel-James (UK), G Rehberg (Germany), H Zheng (China), Dr C Bayer (USA), Mr & Mrs G Edwards (NZ), J Le Feuvre (Jersey), H Norgaard (Denmark), Mr & Mrs M Pedley (NZ).

**3. Approve Minutes of the Council Meeting held in June 2017 Costa Rica**

Proposed: T Saunders, seconded A Levring and approved unanimously

**4. Matters arising from these Minutes**

The President formally recorded the Bureau's appreciation to Jersey Costa Rica for organising such a successful Annual Meeting in 2017.

**5. Bureau Business**

a. President's Report

b. Vice Presidents' Reports

The President's and Vice-Presidents' reports were approved, en-bloc, on the proposal of P Larson, seconded C Sorenson.

c. Secretary's Report

i. The President expressed his appreciation to ABA for its services. The report confirmed that the Mojo database has been used to start the process of compliance with EU General Data Protection Regulation.

ii. The Council agreed to the continued use of facebook, having recognised that organisation to be under government scrutiny in some member organisations, for the way in which it uses participant data.

d. Treasurer's Report –

- i. The increasing significance of revenue from Annual Meeting and International Conference levy income was made.

The secretary will review the Memorandum of Understanding for the above meetings, with the aim of formalizing and encouraging mini-breaks within the Meeting Week of each. Recent experience from Europe and Costa Rica demonstrated the value gained, both financially and member reach, from such attendance.

Proposed C Sorenson, seconded P Larson, and approved, that the commentary of the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

- ii. Secretary's Remuneration. Proposed T Saunders, seconded A Levring and agreed that the fee be increased to £7200, with effect from 1 July 2018
- iii. 2018 Forecast. The Treasurer forecast a significant deficit of approximately £15,000, caused by the lumpy financial impact of a largely unsponsored JETA, combined with lower than budgeted Conference levy income. Proposed T Saunders, seconded Mrs A Gibb, and approved that a sponsorship package for JETA be developed as a matter of urgency.
- iv. 2019 Budget accepted on proposal P Ness, seconded D Hickey
- e. Approve Accounts for 2017 – an Internal Audit Committee of R Schmitt, P Ness and G Maldonado was appointed to report back to the Continuation Meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> June
- f. Membership Applications
  - i. Marcelo Xavier, President Jersey Brazil, was warmly welcomed to the meeting. Jersey Brazil requests revised Associate Member status for the period 2015 – 2018 and on-going. Proposed Mrs A Gibb, seconded J Huffard III, and unanimously agreed
  - ii. A letter from Dr Mukeshimana, Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda, requests that the Rwanda Jersey Cattle Society be accepted as an Associate member. D Hambrook updated Council on developments within the Jersey Inka Nziza project; and went on to inform Council that a research project targeted at the benefits of Jersey cattle farming for smallholders in tropical regions may be brought forward to the Bureau.  
Associate membership proposed T Saunders, seconded Mrs A Gibb and approved unanimously.
- g. Membership Fees  
Agreed there should be no change in fees on proposal of P Ness, seconded Mrs A Gibb
- h. Appoint Accountants – Deferred until 29<sup>th</sup> June

## 6. **Elections & Appointments** – Deferred until 29<sup>th</sup> June

## 7. **Strategy**

In the absence of Mrs K Roxburgh, the secretary reported that the Officer team were finding the direction and discipline of operating towards the strategic objectives is beneficial.

Following this Conference there will be a new Officer team and that will lead to a review of direction and means of accomplishment.

There was discussion about the trialling of The Jersey Hub as a communications channel. There is a desire to continue producing on a monthly basis, and that evolution of this e-newsletter can be achieved through learning in practice. The range of topics should not be a constraint. Offering guidance to contributors may help also.

## **8. World Jersey Cheese Awards**

The success of Dalewood Fromagerie at the 2017 World Cheese Awards was applauded.

Approval to advertise in the Good Cheese publication which accompanies the World Cheese Awards was agreed. There are no cost implications as travel cost savings will offset this expenditure.

## **9. Scientific Advisory Committee – Deferred to 29<sup>th</sup> June**

## **10. WJCB Meetings – Deferred to 29<sup>th</sup> June**

### **11. Any Other Business**

The meeting was adjourned at 9.30am and will reconvene at the Hilton Garden Inn, Canton, Ohio on Friday 29th June 2018

## **CONTINUATION MINUTES**

### **Commencing at 9.30am**

1. The President opened the meeting, explaining that the elections and appointment of officers would be the first item as the National All Jersey AGM was also being held and required the attendance of some of the AJCA delegates.

### **2. Record those present and receive apologies for absence**

Present were D Frigot (President), A Theron (VP Africa), T Saunders (VP Asia /Oceania), A Levring (VP Europe), A Robredo (VP Latin America), P Ness (Australia), P Lenehan (Australia), D Morey (Canada), P MacDougall (Canada), G Maldonado (Colombia), D Calderon (Colombia), B Olesen (Denmark), J Traedholm (Denmark), R Schmitt (Germany), P Borello (Italy), S Borrello (Italy), R Perchard (Jersey Island), D Hambrook (Jersey Island), Mrs A Gibb (NZ), D Hickey (NZ), P van Deventer (S Africa), M Schuler (Switzerland), Mrs L Lewis (UK), D Brown (UK), C Sorenson (USA-part), J Huffard III (USA - part), Dr C Bayer (USA -part).

Also present were Marcelo Xavier (Brazil), B Guiouller (France), J Cabassa (Guatemala), R Gammon (Canada), R Gibb (NZ), I Anderson (Australia), J Bang (Denmark), R Hermansen (Denmark), M Hollensen (Denmark), A Larson (Denmark), R Shaw (NZ), P Frecklington (NZ), B Chaumeil (France), R Gibson (NZ), G Heazlewood (Australia), B Snow (USA), Mr & Mrs W Owens (USA), Mrs W Anderson (Australia).

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### **6. Elections & Appointments**

B Guiouller and G Heazlewood were appointed as returning officers for any election by ballot.

#### **a. Patron**

Mr D Frigot, MBE, was proposed by the Royal Jersey Agricultural & Horticultural Society and Jersey Denmark and was unanimously appointed.

#### **b. President**

J Huffard III (USA) was proposed by Jersey Denmark and S Le Feuvre (Jersey) was proposed by RJA&HS, Jersey Argentina and Jersey Colombia.

Following a ballot, S Le Feuvre was elected by 17 votes to 6.

Proposed: C Sorenson, seconded P Ness, and approved unanimously, that the ballot papers be destroyed.

**c. Vice-Presidents**

A Theron (Africa), T Saunders (Asia / Oceania), Mrs K Roxburgh (North America) were all eligible to serve a second term.

In addition, B Guiouller (Europe) proposed by Jersey Denmark, and J Cabassa (Latin America) proposed by Jersey Colombia were elected unanimously en-bloc.

**d. Treasure** Mrs A GibB (NZ) was proposed by R Perchard (Jersey Island) and seconded by A Robredo (Argentina) and appointed unanimously

**e. Secretary**

D Frigot, retiring President, proposed R Trehwella (Adela Booth Associates), and appointed.

**f. Jersey Resident Officer**

S Le Feuvre was appointed to this newly created post

C Sorenson and J Huffard III departed for the NAJ meeting and Dr Bayer became the USA delegate.

**5. Bureau Business**

**e. Approval of Accounts**

R Schmitt, G Moldanaldo and P Ness confirmed satisfactory Internal Audit.

P Ness commented on the Life Member application debtors and it was explained that expressions of interest were invoiced. If not paid by the year-end following the year of request, the debt was written-off and no membership provided.

Proposed: T Saunders, seconded A Levring, the accounts were unanimously approved.

**h. Appointment of Accountants**

Proposed S Le Feuvre, seconded P Ness that ABC be re-appointed. Approved unanimously.

**9. Scientific Advisory Committee**

T Saunders, committee chairman, reported that P Larson, committee co-ordinator, had made contact with 15 researchers and geneticists around the world twice during the year.

T Saunders made the following proposals:-

- a. P Larson be re-appointed co-ordinator
- b. For each member country, the protocols to Full pedigree and Grade / Supplementary Register, and policies and procedures for entry into the Herdbook be collated and compared
- c. D Hambrook be appointed the Bureau ICAR representative

All approved unanimously.

**ICAR input**

D Hambrook spoke to a letter received from ICAR regarding changing definitions of pedigree around the world. It was agreed to welcome ICAR's assistance to develop a global framework.

It was also agreed to seek ICAR's assistance to access the available bulls in the US Jersey genomic reference population (total of 3k bulls on the list, unknown number with semen available) as supplies from these bulls are key in meeting the 'pedigree calf sired by a qualifying Full pedigree bull' legal requirement of many countries.

Proposed: T Saunders, seconded A Levring and agreed that the Bureau writes to ICAR on the above points and delegates further action throughout the year to the Officer team.

**Haplotypes and Recessives**

Proposed: T Saunders, seconded A Levring, and agreed that known undesirable traits should be reported on marketing and promotional material.

**Commercial Advertising**

Proposed: T Saunders, seconded A Levring, that Bureau member organisations should require full and accurate information on Jersey bulls being marketed and that the examples of inconsistencies, as highlighted at the meeting, should be brought to the attention of the individual commercial breeding organisations for rectification.

Acceptance of the report in its entirety was proposed: T Saunders, seconded, Mrs A Gibb, and agreed.

**10. Future Meetings**

**a. 2019 E Africa**

S Le Feuvre outlined the programme which will run from 13<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June, with the Annual Meeting commencing on 16<sup>th</sup> June. Proposals include a Regional Dairy Workshop with plans to attract participants from neighbouring countries. Commitment to attend will be required by the end of September 2018

**b. 2020 Canada**

R Gammon confirmed the dates from June 20<sup>th</sup> to July 21<sup>st</sup>, with the Annual Meeting between 26<sup>th</sup> June and 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Canadian dairying has changed significantly in the past decade and this will be highlighted.

**c. 2021 International Conference, Australia**

T Saunders informed that Tasmani and Queensland will feature in a programme which will draw on the ‘Herd 21’ Industry Conference concept.

**d. 2022 Italy**

P Borrello confirmed that the Annual Meeting will be held in late September and early October.

**e.2023 China**

Australia and New Zealand are to work-up proposals for the 2019 Bureau meeting.

**f.2024 International Conference Denmark**

**11. Any Other Business.**

Amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding for future International Conference and Annual Meetings that reflect the benefit of attracting attendees within mini-break options were discussed. Proposed T Saunders, seconded R Perchard, and approved.

The President thanked Dr Bayer and the AJCA for arranging the Conference and closed the meeting at 9.40am.

Signed (President):.....

Date:.....