NCERA-225: Implementation and Strategies for National Beef Cattle Genetic Evaluation

Business Meeting December 3, 2021 via Zoom

Chair: Dr. Brittney Keel

Secretary: Dr. Lauren Hanna

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Lauren Hanna at 10:00 AM on Friday, December 3, 2021. Dr. Larry Kuehn was substituting for Dr. Brittney Keel as chair due to her maternity leave.

Administrative Advisor Joe Cassady and Dr. Larry Kuehn identified areas of business to include office and location updates. Administrative Advisor Joe Cassady reminded the group that the report is due 60 days following the meeting and indicated that efforts needed to be made by committee members to reach out and invite additional participants to the group or remind current participants to renew their Appendix E once the new proposal is formally approved.

Due to restricted access to the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center in 2021 because of the pandemic, Dr. Larry Kuehn identified the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center as still willing to host the meeting in 2022 with Dr. Brittney Keel as chair. Dr. Cedric Gondo offered to host the meeting in 2023 and Daniela Lourenco offered to host the meeting in 2024. Dr. Lauren Hanna asked about how or if the secretary position needed to change. Dr. Larry Kuehn identified that Dr. Cedric Gondo should be elected as secretary. By unanimous decision, Dr. Brittney Keel was elected chairperson and Dr. Cedric Gondo was elected secretary.

Attendees present at the business meeting were: Mark Thallman (USMARC), Larry Kuehn (USMARC), Daniela Lourenco (University of Georgia), Lauren Hanna (North Dakota State University), Cedric Gondro (Michigan State University), Jennifer Thomson (Montana State University), Randie Culbertson (IGS), Wade Shafer (ASA), Joe Cassady (AA, South Dakota State University), and Robert Godfrey (NIFA Representative).

Meeting adjourned.