

Minutes—6-12-18

International Texas Longhorn Association board meeting

June 12, 2018

The telephone meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. central time by Pres. Mike Tomey. An invocation was given by Randy Witte, and roll call found the following officers and directors present: Larry Reck, treasurer and region 7 director; Gordon Musgrove, region 1; Dan Grove, region 2; Dick Lowe, region 3; Kevin Bryant, region 6; Larry Smith, region 8; Joe Dowling, region 9; Joel Dickinson, at-large #2; and Randy Witte, at-large #1. Also present were Madeline McGuire and Tanya Clayton of the ITLA office. Absent were Gary Lake, John Nelson and T.J. Farnsworth.

Pres. Tomey declared a quorum was present and Treasurer Larry Reck proceeded to give an ITLA financial report for the five months ending May 31, 2018. There were \$91,699 in First Financial Bank. Total available funds were \$45,211.44, and total expenditures for the five months were \$72,760.94.

An update was given by Kevin Bryant and Joe Dowling on the ITLA's new Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) program using DNA samples. A sample order form and EPD results page were presented to the board. The company providing this EPD information is named Igenity, headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska. A sample of the Igenity order form for beef cattle is available at www.igenity.com. Kevin recommended we sign a contract with the company and there was unanimous agreement by the board to proceed with a contract.

Discussion then turned to the upcoming Championship Show and Convention, scheduled for October 26-28 in Enid, Oklahoma. Kevin Bryant provided a copy of the contract with the Garfield County Fairgrounds to use the Chisholm Trail Coliseum for the ITLA event. The board read the contract and asked Kevin to go ahead and sign it.

ITLA still needs sponsorships and additional heifers for the donated heifer auction. Eight donations have been pledged so far. Proceeds from one heifer will go to the youth fund along with a "barn quilt" to be painted and auctioned for the youth fund. A quilt will also go to benefit ITLA. Larry Smith is working on procuring judges for the show and futurities; Kevin Bryant is working to find a sponsor for trophy jackets to futurity winners; ITLA staff will compile entries as they come in; and we need someone to take charge of the show book.

Gordon Musgrove asked for help in finding two judges for the Ontario show October 7—Mike Tomey said he will help find judges. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Witte, secretary