

State Brand Board
Minutes of the Meeting
July 31, 2013

The South Dakota State Brand Board met on July 31, 2013 at the State Brand Board office in Pierre, SD. Members present were Wanda Blair, Bart Blum, Curt Mortenson, and Lyla Hutchison. Scott Vance was absent. Harold Deering, Debbie Trapp, Wray Shouldis, Courtney De La Rosa, Silvia Christen, Kristen Fink, Doug Paxton, Mark Gant, Ron Fravel, Jim Korkow, and Shad Stromer were also present.

Pres. Blair called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Motion by Hutchison to adopt agenda, seconded by Blum. Motion carried.

Motion by Blum to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2013 Regular Meeting as corrected, seconded by Hutchinson. Motion carried.

Trapp presented financial information for period ending June 30, 2013. Fund Balance - Brand Fund \$668,467.95; Brand Inspection Fund \$348,431.26; Theft and Prevention Fund \$110,952.12. Fiscal Year 2013 revenues were \$1,726,885.89 and expenditures were \$1,923,273.70. Motion by Blum to approve Financial Report as of June 30, 2013, seconded by Mortensen. Motion carried.

Brand Request - Pres. Blair asked Trapp to explain the brand application process. After Trapp explained the process, Mark Gant addressed the Board with his request to reinstate the **LV** left hip cattle(lhc) brand which had been registered to Gant Polled Herefords. The brand was not renewed during the 2010 renewal period. The Board reviewed brands listed as conflicts to the **LV** lhc brand. Motion by Mortensen to deny request to reinstate the **LV** lhc brand for Gant Polled Herefords due to conflict as per statute, second by Hutchinson. Motion carried with three yes votes and one no vote.

Rodeo Permit Rules Discussion - Representative Troy Heinert joined by the meeting by phone at 11:07 a.m. Pres. Blair asked Rep. Heinert to discuss his intent of the Rodeo Permit. Rep. Heinert explained his intent of the permit was to be used for hauling livestock to produce a rodeo. The terminology in SDCL 40-20-4.4 is "bona fide rodeo producer", therefore, the rodeo permit rules will need to define bona fide rodeo producer. Mortensen stated the term "bona fide rodeo producer" may need to be amended in the law. After discussion, Rep. Heinert left the meeting by phone at 11:20 a.m. The Board discussed the rodeo permit rules draft and instructed legal counsel to revise the draft with discussions to continue at Brand Board meeting in September, 2013.

Brand Inspector Salary Policy item was tabled until after lunch recess.

Trapp reported on the brand program: Applications - 151, New Brands - 59, Brand Transfers - 99, Brand Books Sold - 2.

Directors Report: Trapp reported on attending the International Livestock Identification Association (ILIA) Conference: Working with ERC Computing Services to improve method used for scanning sale barn paper tallies; FY15 Budget Request is due August 30, 2013 to

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Bureau of Finance and Management.

Chief Brand Inspector's Report: Shouldis presented information for inspections reported in May and June, 2013: livestock markets – 151,870 head, locker plants – 693 head, locals – 84,282 head for a total of 236,845 head vs. 177,368 head in May and June, 2012. Total head inspected year to date is an increase of 230,012 head as compared to total head inspected for the same time period in 2012. Shouldis also reported that holds had been paid out on eight head; 15 new holds on 23 head, four violations, and 11 strays had been recovered.

Pres. Blair asked for Open Comments. Comments were made on the draft Rodeo Permit rules.

Pres. Blair recessed meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 1:05 p.m.

The director presented an amendment to the Brand Board Policy #18, Brand Inspector Salary, as follows: Local Inspectors: Local brand inspectors will be paid the current per head inspection fee for the first ten head inspected and \$.35 per head for any above 10 ten head. Local brand inspectors will be paid half of the current per head fee on inspections for lifetime horse permits. Motion by Mortensen to adopt amendment to Brand Board Policy #18, Brand Inspector Salary, second by Blum. Motion carried.

Next Brand Board meeting was scheduled for August 21, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. CDT. Meeting will be a phone conference.

Motion by Mortenson to go into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1 & 3) personnel and legal issues at 1:20 p.m., second by Hutchison. Motion carried. The meeting came out of executive session at 2:20 p.m.

Pres. Blair declared meeting adjourned.

Wanda Blair, President

Debbie Trapp, Executive Director

These minutes were filed for the record on _____.