



## Highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting February 23 & 24, 2011

1. The Board brainstormed over several long-range issues that could affect the future direction of the Association.
2. The Board endorsed an Association-sponsored promotional tour to Argentina and the meeting of the World Angus Secretariat for October.
3. The Board reviewed regulations covering multiple sire exposures and decided that these sire are required to be parentage verified to both sire and dam. This change is to take effect in the next calving season.
4. The Board proposed five by-law amendments to be mailed to the membership in March. The five issues are:
  1. New mission statement
  2. Reduction in the size of the National Board
  3. Method of calling a special meeting of the Board
  4. Administrative change deleting reference to telegrams
  5. Rules of eligibility for genetic defect carriers
5. President Elect David Bolduc was named as chair of the delegation to the World Angus Secretariat.
6. The 2012 National Show was confirmed as the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto.
7. The Board elected to expand the long-term recognition program by adding awards to recognize 75 and 100 years of continuous family membership in the Canadian Angus Association.
8. The Board set several topics for discussion at the June annual meeting, including:
  - a) How to encourage transfers
  - b) Location of future annual general meetings
  - c) Cost and future of the Gold Show program

9. Pfizer Animal Health provided an educational session for the Board concerning the new HD50K DNA panel and genomically enhanced EPDs.
10. The Board asked to have Elite Dam status designated on registration papers.
11. The Board established a committee to draft and distribute a membership survey to help define members' opinions on significant issues including the future of our Gold Show program.
12. The Board asked staff to develop a procedure to collect udder and teat scores for members interesting in providing the data.
13. The Board discussed their continued disappointment with the official publication and reiterated their concerns about it not meeting established objectives.