



WORLD HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN FEDERATION

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Event: 55th WHFF Council Meeting
Venue: Colombia
Time and Date: 9th September 2024 08.00

AGENDA.

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence.

- a. Lindsey and Sartaj by zoom

2. Approval of the Agenda.

3. Previous minutes of the 54th Council meeting (*WHFF 5503 54th Meeting minutes 2024 v1*)

4. Previous actions of the 54th Council meeting (*WHFF 5504 54th Council Meeting Actions v1*)

5. WHFF Working Groups Reports

- a. WHFF Type Harmonisation WG report (*WHFF 5505a Minutes of 15th WHFF Classifiers Workshop 2024 Cremona ITA; WHFF 5505a appendix II six new traits proposed definitions update v2; WHFF 5505a appendix III 240513 selected 20 conformation defects for harmonization v5 final proposal*) presented by Gerben de Jong by zoom
 - i. For discussion / Approval by the Council - Approve the report and the publication of Appendices II and III
- b. WHFF Monogenetic Traits and Registration WG report presented by Lindsey Worden
 - i. Meeting report (*WHFF 5505bi Summary of the WHFF Monogenetic Traits Working Group Meeting*)
 - ii. Results of the survey (*WHFF 5505bii Monogenetic Trait Survey*)
 - iii. For discussion / Approval by the Council
 1. Create two new categories that would be included on the Genetic Traits and Carrier Codes document.
 - a. Genetic Conditions under Investigation – this would appear above the currently listed “Suggested Genetic Conditions Under Investigation” and BLIRD would be the only condition under the newly created category. This category would include items that had been reviewed by the WHFF Monogenetic Traits WG and deemed to be important for herdbooks to record information on, but not to the level of being included on the Master List.
 - b. Archived Genetic Conditions - traits that had formerly been on the Master List but have been reduced to such a low

frequency that they no longer qualify, based on WHFF review.

2. Keep BLIRD on the "Genetic Conditions under Investigation"
 3. Move Factor XI and Citrullinemia to the newly created category of "Archived Genetic Conditions".
 4. Council needs to approve all the above.
- iv. At the 52nd Council meeting, the Monogenetic Working Group were asked to consider whether the Guidelines need to be updated. At the meeting it was thought that no changes were required.

6. WHFF Inclusivity of more Production Data Task force presented by Martino Cassandro

7. ICAR meeting report presented by Suzanne Harding (*WHFF 5507 2024 ICAR Report; WHFF 5507b Support for ICAR Working Group Involvement*)

- a. Comments on the ICAR report
- b. Discuss possible additional support for specific ICAR Working Group involvement. Attending the ICAR Conference is part of the Secretary General role, as is producing a report of the Conference. Supporting for the Secretary General by Holstein UK for participation in the following has now ceased:
 - i. Breed Association Working Group
 - ii. DNA Working GroupIn 2023 this amounted to Council need to decide whether working group participation is a valid expense.
- c. Secretary General participation in the 2025 ICAR Conference in India.

8. Data Ownership presented by Martino Cassandro

9. Exchange of WHFF genetic traits at INTERBULL presented by Jos Buiting (*WHFF 5509 Presentation Jos Buiting Genetic Recessives WHFF*)

- a. Report of meetings with Toine Roosen

10. Biodiversity Project presented by Martino Cassandro

11. Methane Emissions presented by Martino Cassandro

12. Virtual Cow update presented by Suzanne Harding

- a. Response from Melanie Harmitt, CEO of Holstein UK – "The trustees have considered your proposal and are happy to accept the £100 one off payment on the condition that Holstein UK is always credited with its creation and if we want to make changes to our version of Virtual Cow you would arrange for your 'coders' to do it for us free of charge." Council needs to approve this cost and way forward.
- b. Carlos said at the last Council meeting that he would ask his programmers if they could do the to work on Virtual cow.

13. Beef on Dairy presented by László Bognár

14. Finance presented by Suzanne Harding

- a. 2024 Accounts to date (*WHFF 5513a 2024 Accounts to date*)
- b. 2023 Final accounts for approval were approved by email and need to be minuted as approved and filed.

- c. Increase in Secretary General fees to Management salary - £23,500.00 and secretarial Fee - €230.00 from 1st March 2024. Needs minuting.

15.Membership presented by Suzanne Harding

- a. Membership 2024 (*WHFF 5515a WHFF Membership to date*)

16.Any other Business

- a. Website latest statistics (*WHFF 5516a Monthly Website Report - July 2024*)

Documentation:

WHFF 5503 WHFF 54th Meeting minutes 2024 v1
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WHFF 5505a Minutes of 15th WHFF Classifiers Workshop 2024 Cremona ITA
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WHFF 5514a 2024 Accounts to date
WHFF 5515a WHFF Membership to date
WHFF 5516a Monthly Website Report - July 2024