

Global Animal Health and Emerging Disease Council Meeting

June 7, 2022 | 2 p.m. central.

Attendance:

Chair, Julie Smith, Beth Ann Shane-Holser, Len Bull, Beth Johnson, Lanny Pace, Vincent Silverman, John Nelson and NIAA Staff: J.J. Jones and Morgan Young

Council chair, Julie Smith, called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Dr. Smith reminded the council that all NIAA members are entitled to vote on resolutions and that the resolutions are intended to reach beyond specific species sectors of the food system. During this council meeting, three resolutions will be reviewed.

Dr. Smith presented GAHED7. Lanny Pace provided background information on the original purpose of the resolution, which created the InterstateLivestock.com platform that provides producers the requirements for moving livestock from one state to another.

Dr. Pace moved to amend the resolution by striking “**establish and**” to an updated, “to maintain.” Len Bull seconded the motion. Motion carried. The resolution will now read:

“RESOLUTION: The National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) requests that the National Assembly of State Animal Health Officials work with USDA to maintain in real-time a national database containing “reportable disease requirements” for each state. Such a list would be utilized by public and private veterinary diagnostic laboratories for official report notification to state veterinarians, per individual state requirements according to where the animals are located.”

Dr. Smith presented GAHED9 with a recommendation to reaffirm the resolution. Len Bull moved to reaffirm the resolution. Beth Johnson seconded the motion.

During discussion, Dr. Pace recommended an update to the background information in the second sentence related to the 2014 farm bill. Dr. Pace suggested changing “provides” to “authorizes.” This was incorporated into the original motion.

The motion to reaffirm the resolution was carried.

Dr. Smith presented GAHED10 with a suggestion to strike “inclusion” and change it to “continuation.”

Dr. Pace moved to edit the resolution with the suggested change. Len Bull seconded. There was no discussion. Motion carried. The resolution now reads:

“RESOLUTION: The National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) joins with other stakeholders to support the continuation of an Animal Disease Disaster Preparedness Program. The National Animal Health Laboratory Network, the Extension Disaster Education Network, vaccine banks, and rapid response funding (through the National Institute of Food and Agriculture and the Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research) are existing programs that should be prioritized for continued or enhanced support.”

Closing discussion included opportunities for collaboration between Councils (specifically Animal Health Emergency Management) and to hold more virtual meetings throughout the year to keep Council members connected with emerging issues.

Dr. Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m. central.