

Minutes of World Brahman Federation Meeting
Reliant Center – Room 206
March 4, 2009 @ 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Chris Shivers – U.S.A.	Andre L. Zambrim - Brazil
Armelinda Ibarra – U.S.A.	Billy Badilla - Philippines
Kevin Bryant – U.S.A.	John Milton Torres - Ecuador
Billy Dan Lindley – U.S.A.	Fabio Jaramillo - Colombia
Jerry Word – U.S.A.	Florencio Jimenez - Venezuela
Jose Amauri Dimarzio – Brazil	

The World Brahman Federation met at the Reliant Center in Houston, Texas on March 4, 2009.

Chris Shivers called the meeting to order followed by an introduction of all members and guests in attendance.

The minutes of the May 23, 2008 meeting were reviewed.

Fabio Jaramillo made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Billy Badilla. Motion Carried.

The WBF Financial Statement was presented by Chris Shivers. Chris reported that there the increase in the Chase bank account was mainly due to dues received at the World Brahman Congress in May 2008.

Chris Shivers distributed copies of the Market Share Surveys. The only countries who submitted replies were Australia and the United States.

Dr. Dimarzio gave an update on the I Latin American Brahman Congress held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He reported that this event was a success and that it served as a trial for the upcoming organization of the 2010 World Brahman Congress.

Dr. Dimarzio gave a report on the 2010 WBC. He reported that the congress will be held in Uberaba, Brazil, home of the ABCZ, October 17-24, 2010. He reported that Uberaba had the best facilities to host a large show including sales, plenty of trade show space and space for commercial stands. It also allows for plenty of area for food options and a variety of entertainment. Dr. Dimarzio reported that they are currently working on obtaining a Congress rate with the hotels in the area.

Fabio Jaramillo commended Dr. Dimarzio for all his efforts in organizing a highly successful event in Rio de Janeiro and stated that he was excited to hear that the congress will be held in Uberaba.

Chris Shivers reported that it has been previously agreed that Panama would host the 2012 congress and South Africa would host the 2014 congress. He received a request from the Australian Brahman Breeders Association to host the World Brahman Congress in 2016.

Kevin Bryant made a motion to accept the proposal and that the 2016 World Brahman Congress be held in Australia. Seconded by Fabio Jaramillo. Motion carried.

The site of the next World Brahman Federation meeting was discussed. Fabio Jaramillo stated that Colombia will be hosting their National Brahman Show in Girardot, Colombia and that he would be happy to host the group and make the proper arrangements for a World Brahman Federation meeting.

Everyone agreed, and Fabio promised to send the exact dates to everyone.

Under new business, John Milton Torres of Santo Domingo, Ecuador invited everyone to attend the Brahman Show to be held in Guayaquil, Ecuador, October 10-13, 2009. He stated that he is working on making this an educational event including a seminar and technical sessions. He is also planning a rodeo to be held during this time.

Florencio Jimenez of Venezuela also invited everyone to the National Brahman Show to be held in Valencia, Venezuela at the end of March 2009. He stated that ASOCEBU would be celebrating their 50th Anniversary.

Dr. Dimarzio asked the question of who holds the President position of the WBF.

Chris Shivers presented a copy of the WBF Constitution which states that the President of each annual meeting should be selected by the host country. He shall have the same voting rights as any other representative. He/she shall remain President until the next host country has appointed the next President.

The Secretary-General position was discussed. Everyone agreed that the Secretary-General of the WBF should be the Executive Vice President of the American Brahman Breeders Association, home of the official headquarters of the WBF.

Fabio Jaramillo made a motion that the Secretary-General of the WBC be the Executive Vice President of the American Brahman Breeders Association. Seconded by Kevin Bryant. Motion carried.

Fabio Jaramillo filled out his Market Share Survey and submitted it at the end of the meeting.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned.