

## BYLAWS OF AMERICAN RED POLL ASSOCIATION

### A. Membership

1. The Board of Directors shall constitute a Committee of Membership. Any reputable breeder or owner of Red Poll cattle may, upon application, become a member of this Association on the recommendation of said Committee, and on approval by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting, and upon payment to the Secretary-Treasurer of the membership fee. A membership certificate signed by President and Secretary-Treasurer with the corporate seal of the Association attached shall thereupon be issued to said member. (Amended 2017)
  - a. A corporation, partnership, or firm, composed of two or more persons, may become a member of the Association with the same rights, privileges, duties and obligations of an individual member.
  - b. Each qualified member, active or inactive, having paid the Annual Service Fee for the current fiscal year, shall be entitled to one vote on questions before the Association to be cast in person. (Amended 2022)
  - c. No member shall be entitled to cast a vote by proxy. (Amended 1995)
  - d. Provided, that any member of the Red Poll Cattle Club of America, as existing unincorporated prior to April 4, 1889, may be accepted as a member of this Association without the payment of the initiation fee upon the recommendation of the Committee on Membership and the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present at any regular meeting of the Association.
  - e. Provided further, that a member that has not recorded or transferred any animals for a period of three years under said membership shall be placed upon the inactive list. At any time any member on the inactive list shall make application to record an animal or animals, such recording shall be accepted and such member shall thereupon be placed upon the active list.
  - f. Any member on the inactive list shall be entitled to vote on any question before the Association, but shall not receive regular notices of Association meetings or other data distributed to the members.
2. A membership may be transferred within one year free of cost when a partnership is formed between a parent who is a member and a child or children, or where a member dies and their property descends by inheritance to his or her spouse or children; upon dissolution of a partnership, membership may be transferred to either member of the former partnership; or upon the death of a partner such membership may be transferred to the surviving partner or to the spouse or children of the deceased member; provided that all animals owned by the prior membership shall be transferred to the new membership at one-half the regular transfer fee; provided further that said new membership be approved by the Membership Committee.

### B. Board of Directors

1. The control of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in a Board of not less than 9 nor more than 12 Directors. Except as hereinafter provided, Directors shall be elected to serve for a term of three years, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Three of the members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of members. A Directors who has served for all or portions of two consecutive terms shall not be eligible for reelection for a period of one year following completion of the second term. (Amended 2013)
2. At the annual meeting to be held on October 27, 1978 a total of eight Directors shall be elected. Four of the Directors elected at such meeting shall be members of the Red Poll Beef Breeders International and the terms of office of said Directors shall begin June 1, 1979, and shall expire as follows:
3. One shall expire on the date of the annual meeting to be held in 1979; one shall expire on the date of the annual meeting to be held in 1980; one shall expire on the date of the annual meeting to be held in 1981; and one shall expire on the date of the annual meeting to be held in 1982. At the expiration of the term of any Directors elected on October 27, 1978 from the membership of the Red Poll Beef Breeders International, the number of Directors of the Association shall be reduced by one, so that from and after the annual meeting to be held in 1982 the total number of Directors shall be 12. (Amended 1978)

4. The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control and direction of the property, business, affairs, and activities of the Association; shall determine its policies, and shall have absolute discretion in the disbursement of its funds, provided that all income and property of the Association shall be applied exclusively to the non-profit purposes of the Association, and no part thereof shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.
5. The Board of Directors may adopt such rules and regulations for the control and conduct of the property, business, affairs, and activities of the Association as shall be deemed advisable.
6. The Board of Directors, or any officer duly authorized by it, shall appoint and fix the compensation to be paid to such employees and agents, including legal counsel, as shall be necessary for the proper conduct of the affairs of the Association.
7. The Board of Directors shall, through an officer designated by it, present annual meeting of the Association a detailed operating report and financial statement for the preceding fiscal year.
8. No Directors shall receive compensation expenses except any salary to which he may otherwise be entitled as an Officer of the Association. (Amended 2010)
9. For a member to be eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors, the member shall have paid the Annual Service Fee for the current fiscal year prior to being elected. Furthermore, each member of the Board of Directors is required to pay the Annual Service Fee prior to the Annual Meeting in each of the fiscal years that said individual is a member of the Board of Directors. Failure to do so may result in their removal from the Board of Directors. A majority vote by the Directors present at the meeting is required to remove said individual. (Added 2022)

### **C. Executive Committee and Board of Directors**

1. The Officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer. Said Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at a meeting of said Board which shall be held immediately after the annual meeting of the Association.
2. The President of the Association and the Vice President shall be elected by the Board of Directors from among their own number.
3. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association, shall preside at all meetings of the Association, The Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee and an ex- officio member of every other standing or temporary committee. He shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe.
4. The Vice President shall, in the event of the death, absence or incapacity of the President possess all the powers and duties of the President. He shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe.
5. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by the Board of Directors for a term to be determined by said Board at the time of said election.
  - a. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be the managing, administrative, and clerical officer of the Association.
  - b. He or she shall, unless contrary provision is made by the Board of Directors, have authority to employ, discipline and discharge agents and employees of the Association, and to fix or modify the duties and salaries or other compensation of such agents or employees.
  - c. He or she shall record complete and accurate minutes of all meetings of the Association, the Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee, and shall issue all notices of meetings are required to be given. He or she shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe. (Amended 1995)
6. The Executive Committee of this Association shall consist of the President, Vice- President, and Secretary-Treasurer, and shall have power to perform any and all duties delegated to it by the Board of Directors.
7. The regular term of office of all officers except Secretary-Treasurer, shall be from the date of their election until the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the next annual meeting of the Association succeeding their election, and until their successors are chosen and qualified.
  - a. Any officer may be removed from office by the Board of Directors by a resolution to that effect adopted by a vote of two- thirds of the Board of Directors, whenever in their judgment the best interests of the Association may require.

- b. In the event a vacancy occurs in any office before the expiration of the term thereof, said vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired term in the manner herein above provided.

#### **D. Meetings of the Association**

1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at a place to be determined by the Board of Directors and, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, shall be held on the Second Wednesday in November of each year. Notice thereof shall be published in two consecutive issues of the official publication of the Association prior to the date of the annual meeting. (Amended 1977)
2. The President shall call a special meeting of the Association at any time ten or more members shall, in writing, request him so to do, stating in the request the object of the meeting. Notice of such called meeting shall be given in the same manner as herein above provided for regular meetings.

#### **E. Meetings of the Board of Directors**

1. The Board of Directors shall hold a regular meeting immediately following each annual meeting of the Association. A said regular meeting, they shall elect officers for the ensuing year and transact any other business which properly be brought before them.
2. The President shall call a special meeting of the Board of Directors at any time that a majority of the members of the Board shall, in writing, request him so to do by stating in such request the object of said meeting. Due notice of such special meeting shall be given by the President to each member of the Board of Directors.
3. The Board of Directors shall hold a meeting immediately prior to each annual meeting of the Association and may also hold a special meeting at any time by mutual agreement of a majority of the members of the Board. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.
4. It is permissible for meetings of the Board of Directors to be held in person and/or by teleconference and/or by video conference. (Added 2022)

#### **F. Order Of Business**

1. The order of business at all meetings of the Association, and so far as applicable, at all meetings of the Board, shall be as follows:
  - A. Call the roll,
  - B. Read the minutes of the last meeting,
  - C. Election of members,
  - D. Reports of committees and auditors,
  - E. Reports of Officers,
  - F. Election of Directors or Officers,
  - G. Unfinished business,
  - H. Consideration of communications,
  - I. New Business.

#### **G. Finances**

1. The fiscal year of the Association shall commence on the first day of September and shall end on the 31st day of August of each year. (Amended 1969)
2. The Secretary-Treasurer shall collect and receive all moneys and fees due the Association and shall keep a correct, itemized account of all receipts and disbursements in proper books kept for that purpose.
  - a. The Secretary- Treasurer shall pay all incidental and ordinary expenses of his office. The residue of such funds shall be paid out and disbursed for the purposes of the Association on the order or direction of the President and Secretary- Treasurer or a majority of the Board of Directors.

- b. The books, accounts and vouchers of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be subject to inspection by the Directors at all reasonable times, and shall be audited annually by three members in good standing.
  - c. A written report of said audit shall be submitted to the Board of Directors and to the next annual meeting of the Association. (Amended 1995)
3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall file and deliver to the President a good and sufficient surety bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, said bond to be in such sum as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. The cost of such surety bond shall be paid by the Association.
    - a. Any other officer or employee of this Association may be required by the Board of Directors to give bond in such sum as the Board of Directors may determine.

## H. Corporate Seal

1. The Corporation hereby adopts a corporate seal, the impression of which shall be as is affixed on the margin of this By-Law.
2. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have charge of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to all certificates of membership, certificates of pedigree and registry and other papers requiring the same

## I. Recording and Transfers

1. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive and verify all offers of entries of animals for registration and, if entitled to registration, shall register the same and shall likewise receive, verify and record a history of all transfers of registered animals. He or she shall procure proper books and therein keep a record of all registrations and transfers and shall keep on file, subject to inspection of any member of the Board of Directors, all papers relating to or constituting the authority for such registration and record of transfers. (Amended 2010)
2. The Secretary-Treasurer shall sign and issue under the corporate seal proper certificates of the registration, pedigree and transfer of all registered animals and on proper application shall issue duplicates, plainly marked, of any such certificates. The form of such certificates and applications therefore, shall be such as may be adopted by the Board of Directors. The issuance of certificates or duplicates as herein provided shall be upon the payment of the proper charges therefore as hereinafter provided. Any controversy or dispute with reference to the foregoing matters shall be referred to and be disposed of by the Board of Directors.
3. Certificates of registry may be marked, as prescribed by the Board of Directors, to designate performance records in accordance with the minimum standards determined from time to time by the Association.
4. The use of a prefix as a part of the name in recording animals in the American Red Poll Association is voluntary and not required. Breeders may select a prefix and have it registered in the Secretary-Treasurer's office of the American Red Poll Association without charge. Registered prefixes are the property of the applicant and shall be reserved for the applicant's exclusive use. The Secretary-Treasurer shall not accept or file the same prefix for two or more unassociated breeders. In case of duplicate applications for the same prefix, preference shall be given to the first applicant. The prefixes shall be confined to animals bred from the herd of the breeder who registered such prefix. Prefixes have a distinctive value and every breeder should select, register and use a prefix.
5. Any erasure, alteration, or addition on certificates of registry or transfer, not made or authorized by the Secretary-Treasurer, shall render such certificates invalid.
6. Members of 4-H and FFA Clubs and of the Junior ARPA membership are permitted to record their stock at membership rates. (Amended 2022)
7. On and after September 1, 1939, all animals offered for registry must be tattooed in each ear. Tattoo markings must appear on application blanks and must be placed on the registry certificate.

## **J. American Red Poll Herd Book**

1. As often as the Board of Directors may by resolution require, the Secretary- Treasurer shall, at the discretion of said Board, prepare, edit, print, revise and copyright the American Red Poll Herd Book in the name of the Association. Each volume shall contain such materials of general interest as the editor and Directors may deem proper. The number of copies of each edition to be printed, and bound, the price to be charged members and non-members, shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

## **K. Discipline**

1. Should any member or breeder be charged with any fraud, misrepresentation or deception in the breeding, pedigree, sex, birth, date of birth, breeder, owner, sire, dam, handling, sale, exhibition, identification, registration or transfer of a Red Poll, or in the keeping or recording of performance records, or with substituting an unregistered animal for a registered animal, or with substituting one registered animal for another registered animal, or with failure to furnish registry certificates or transfers of cattle sold and represented as registered in the Red Poll Herd Book within a reasonable time, or with a violation of any rule, regulation or bylaw of the Association, or with conduct deliberately injurious to the Association or the breed, or should any member or breeder, knowing any other member or breeder to be guilty of any of the aforesaid acts, participate therein in any way or withhold information thereof, the Executive Committee by unanimous vote may suspend Association services to such member or breeder, pending a hearing by the Board of Directors, such hearing to be held within 30 days.
2. All such charges shall be investigated by the Board of Directors. If said Board deems said charges to be of such character that said Board shall take cognizance. Thereof, such charges shall be reduced to writing and the Board shall cause a copy of such charges, with a notice of the time and place of the hearing thereon, to be served upon said member or breeder by registered mail, addressed to him at his last known place of residence, a reasonable time prior to said date of hearing, which shall not be less than ten days, and a like notice shall be given to the party preferring such charges. The notice shall contain a statement of the purpose of the hearing. The Board of Directors shall, at the close of such hearing, or as soon thereafter as may be reasonably possible, make its findings as to the truth or falsity of such charges and shall render its decision thereon, censoring, suspending, or expelling said member or breeder, or dismissing the charge. The Board of Directors shall likewise have power to exclude from the registry any animal involved in such violation, to cancel all existing registrations of animals owned by such violator, cancel registration of any of the offspring of such animals that have been fraudulently registered, and to exclude future registrations by such .c. violator. A record of any suspension or expulsion shall be made upon the membership record card of the Association and publicly announced in the official publication of the Association. The findings of the Board of Directors shall be conclusive and binding

## **L. Conditions of Registry**

1. Cattle of the progeny of a sire and dam recorded in the registration records of the Association, which conforms to the standard of essentials adopted by the Association, shall be eligible for registry on payment of proper fees and compliance with the rules and regulations as determined from time to time by the Association.
2. The progeny resulting from Artificial Insemination, which satisfy the Conditions of Registry in all other respects shall be eligible for registry by the owner of the dam. The sire must meet requirements as stated in the rules of the Association. (Amended 2010)
3. Registration Classification (Added 2017)
  - a. The term "Fullblood" is used to signify an animal that is 100% Red Poll. This animal's ancestry has never had any other breed or commercial animal in it.
  - b. The terms "Red Poll Plus" and "RPP" apply to a registered animal with 3/8 (37.5%) or greater American Red Poll blood mixed with another breed or commercial animal. These will be permanently identified on the registration paper as Red Poll Plus Registered (RPP) cattle with the blood concentration percentage listed.

## **M. Rules of Eligibility of Imported Red Polls for Registration in the American Red Poll Association Herd Book:**

1. An animal, embryo and/or semen imported from any country whose progenitors trace on both sire's and dam to stock registered in the English or Canadian Red Poll Cattle Herd Book, exclusive of those animals or their progeny entered in the Grading Register of these or other Red Poll Cattle Herd Book shall appear without any distinguished mark in front of the Herd Book Registration Number. (Amended 2014)
2. An animal, embryo and/or semen imported from any country whose progenitors trace on both sire and dam to up-graded stock shall carry a prefix of RPP in front of the Herd Book Registration Number, to be entered in the American Red Poll Association Red Poll Plus Registry Herd Book. (Amended 2017)
3. An animal, embryo and/or semen imported from any country shall be accompanied by an export certificate from the Secretary of the Red Poll Cattle Association or Society of said country, or any other Government regulations then in effect specifying the breeder, intermediate owners, if any, the United States importer, with date of sale as in case of a female, service certificate if bred. (Amended 1985)

## **N. Red Poll Plus Registry Program (RPP) (Amended 2017)**

1. Eligibility:
  - a. As of January 1, 1986 initial entries of 3/8 (37.5%) Red Poll blood concentration level or higher will be accepted into the Red Poll Plus Registry Program. (Amended 2017)
  - b. Any member in good standing of the American Red Poll Association may record cattle in the Red Poll Plus Registry Program. If not a member, then non-membership rates apply. (Amended 2017)
  - c. Initial entries into the Red Poll Plus Registry Program will fall into one of ten categories listed. (Amended 2017)
    1. Grade Red Poll Female Initial Entry:
      - a. Must be inspected by a representative of the Board of Directors of the American Red Poll Association. (Amended 2017)
      - b. Must show indications of fullblood Red Poll characteristics. (Amended 2017)
      - c. Must have birth date, or year of birth, tattoo and color as a matter of record.
      - d. Males falling into this category are not eligible for registry.
      - e. Females falling into this category shall be registered at the 5/8 (62.5%) level. (Added 2017)
    2. Non-Related Breed Initial Entry:
      - a. Any progeny sired by or out of a fullblood Red Poll bull or female recorded in the American Red Poll Association Herd Book. (Amended 2017)
      - b. And whose other parent is not recorded in the ARPA Herd Book or Red Poll Plus Registry and is a non-related breed and must be identified accordingly. (Amended 2017)
      - c. Progeny in this category shall be recorded at the 1/2 (50%) blood concentration level. (Amended 2017)
      - d. All rules for regular registry apply (i.e. birth date, tattoo, etc., all to be matter of record.)
    3. Female from percentage Red Poll Plus Registry parent or parents entry: (Amended 2017)
      - a. Any female sired by or out of a 3/4, 13/16, 7/8 or 15/16 Red Poll Plus Registry Sire or Dam recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry. (Amended 2017)
      - b. And whose other parent is not recorded in the ARPA Herd book or Red Poll Plus Registry and is non-related breed and must be identified accordingly. (Amended 2017)
      - c. Females in this category shall be recorded at the appropriate level derived by their mix of percentages as described in Section N.2.b. of these Bylaws.
      - d. Must have birth date, tattoo, etc., as a matter of record.
      - e. Males falling into this category are not eligible for registry.
    4. Female from percentage Red Poll Plus Registry Multiple Sire Entry: (Amended 2017)
      - a. Any female sired by 3/4, 13/16, 7/8 or 15/16 Red Poll Plus Registry Multiple Sires recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry. (Amended 2017)
      - b. And whose other parent is not recorded in the ARPA Herd Book or Red Poll Plus Registry and is a non-related breed and must be identified accordingly. (Amended 2017)

- c. Females in this category shall be recorded at the appropriate level derived by their mix of percentages as described in Section N.2.b. of these Bylaws.
- d. Must have birth date, tattoo, etc., as a matter of record.
- e. Males falling into this category are not eligible for registry.
- 5. Females from 15/16 or higher blood level Multiple Sire Entry (Amended 2017)
  - a. Any female sired by 15/16 Red Poll Plus Registry or higher blood level multiple sires recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry, or regular ARPA Herd Book. (Amended 2017)
  - b. And whose other parent is not recorded in the ARPA Herd Book or Red Poll Plus Registry and is a non-related breed and must be identified accordingly. (Amended 2017)
  - c. Females in this category shall be recorded at the appropriate level derived by their mix of percentages as described in Section N.2.b. of these Bylaws.
  - d. Males falling into this category are not eligible for registry.
- 6. Progeny from Paternal Half-Sibling 15/16 or Higher Level Multiple Sire Entry: (Amended 2017)
  - a. Any progeny sired by paternal half-sibling 15/16 or higher level multiple sires recorded in the ARPA Herd Book.
  - b. And whose dam is a 15/16 or higher blood level recorded in the ARPA Herd Book or Red Poll Plus Registry is eligible for entry into the Red Poll Plus Registry. (Amended 2017)
  - c. Males and Females in this category shall be recorded at the 3/4 (75%) blood concentration level and the paternal sire's pedigree will be printed on the top side of the pedigrees for all progeny that result from this mating and requested entry into the Red Poll Plus Program. (Amended 2017)
  - d. Must have birth date, tattoo, and color as a matter of record.
- 7. Progeny from Full-Sibling 15/16 or higher blood level Multiple Sire Entry (Amended 2017)
  - a. Any progeny sired by full-sibling 15/16 or higher blood level Multiple sires recorded in the ARPA Herd Book. (Amended 2017)
  - b. And whose dam is a 15/16 or higher blood level recorded in the ARPA Herd Book is eligible for entry into the Red Poll Plus Registry. (Amended 2017)
  - c. Males and females in this category shall be recorded at the 3/4 (75%) blood level and a complete pedigree, including the entire paternal side of the pedigree will be printed for each progeny that result from this mating and requested entry into the Red Poll Plus Program. (Amended 2017)
  - d. Must have birth date, tattoo, and color as a matter of record.
- 8. Related Breed Initial Entry
  - a. Females carrying a Certificate of Registry of the official herd book of any designated related breeds are eligible in this category.
  - b. Related breeds designated by the American Red Poll Association are:
    - 1) Jamaican Red
    - 2) Senepol
    - 3) Pitangueiras
  - c. Females falling into this category will be recorded at the 3/8 (37.5%) blood concentration level, regardless of percentage of purity indicated by the certificate of registry of the related breed herd book.
  - d. The certificate of registry from the related breed herd book must be furnished by the member or breeder making application and must be in the ownership of the same member or breeder.
  - e. Males falling into this category are not eligible for registry.
- 9. Progeny from fullblood parent and percentage Red Poll Plus Registry parent entry: (Added 2017)
  - a. Any progeny sired by or out of a fullblood Sire or Dam recorded in the ARPA Herd Book.
  - b. And whose other parent is recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry.
  - c. Progeny falling in this category shall be recorded at the appropriate level derived by their mix of percentages as described in Section N.2.b. of these Bylaws.
  - d. Must have birth date, tattoo, etc., as a matter of record.
- 10. Progeny from both percentage Red Poll Plus Registry parents entry: (Added 2017)
  - a. Any progeny sired by or out of a Red Poll Plus Registry Sire or Dam recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry.
  - b. And whose other parent is also recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry.

- c. Progeny falling in this category shall be recorded at the appropriate level derived by their mix of percentages as described in Section N.2.b. of these Bylaws. Male progeny with less than 1/2 (50%) blood concentration level are not allowed to be recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry.
  - d. Must have birth date, tattoo, etc., as a matter of record.
- d. As of October 1, 2017, males with less than 1/2 (50%) blood concentration level are not allowed to be recorded in the ARPA Red Poll Plus Registry. (Added 2017)
  - e. Cattle with non-traditional or non-characteristic marking or coat color shall be eligible for registry at not higher than the 3/4 (75%) blood concentration levels.
  - f. All cattle placed back at 3/4 (75%) blood percentage level because of nontraditional color or non-characteristic marking shall have their actual percentage of Red Poll blood printed on the Registration certificate. (Amended 1985)

## 2. Registry of Progeny of Initial Entry Cattle:

- a. Progeny of and succeeding generation of initial entry cattle shall be subject to the same rules as cattle recorded in the ARPA Herd Book.
- b. Blood Concentration Level Ascertainment:
  - 1. The actual blood concentration level will be printed on the registration certificate. (Amended 2017)
  - 2. Examples:
    - a. Calf being applied for having parents of 7/8 (87.50%) and 15/16 (93.75%) blood concentration level, would be recorded at 90.63% blood concentration level. (Amended 2017)
    - b. Calf being applied for having parents of 1/2 (50%) and 15/16 (93.75%) blood concentration levels, would be recorded at 71.88% blood concentration level. (Amended 2017)
    - c. Calf being applied for having one parent of 13/16 (81.25%) blood concentration level and one parent of non-related breed background (zero concentration level), would be recorded at 40.63% blood concentration level. (Amended 2017)

## 3. Fees

- a. All initial entry cattle and progeny of any succeeding generations of entry cattle will be recorded. All initial entry cattle and progeny of any succeeding generations of initial entry will be recorded at such fee as shall be set from time to time by ARPA Board of Directors.

## 4. Other Regulations

- a. All animals (both sexes) must attain the Red Poll Plus Registry and be at least 93.75% (15/16) or higher blood concentration level to be eligible for ARPA sanctioned National Shows. (Amended 2017)
- b. All Red Poll Plus Registered animals will be eligible to sell at the National Sale. The National Show will be segregated into RPP and full-blood cattle. All Artificial Insemination rules regulating the registry of progeny conceived through Artificial Insemination in the ARPA Herd Book shall also apply to all cattle in the Red Poll Plus Registry Program. Non-typical blood types are acceptable on Red Poll Plus Registry bulls. (Amended 2017)
- c. All Red Poll Plus Registry cattle shall carry an RPP in front of their registration number and the blood concentration level shall be listed on the registration certificate. This will be permanent and will appear on the pedigree of all progeny of Red Poll Plus registered parents. (Amended 2017)



## O. Official Publication

1. The Red Poll Beef Journal shall be the official publication the American Red Poll Association. It shall be controlled by the Board of Directors. A separate account of all income and expenditures shall be kept and the publications shall be self-sustaining. (Amended 1995)

## P. Public Auction Code

1. In the selling of registered Red Poll Cattle a complete statement of facts shall be made, along with all information on animal sold.
2. SALE- TITLE -This shall be a definite statement of dispersal, partial dispersal *or consignment, as the same may be, designating any cattle reserved,*
  - a. Dispersal Sale: Complete sellout, no saleable cattle reserved. If a member *of* the firm *or* family wishes to purchase any animal to establish another herd, this fact should be stated in the catalog.
  - b. Partial Dispersal: Selling part of the herd. Explanation must be made.
  - c. Consignment Sale: Sale *of* animals consigned by different breeders. It is recommended that both consigner and breeder be listed on the pedigree of each animal in a consignment sale catalog.
3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE:
  - a. The highest bidder shall be the buyer.
  - b. The auctioneer selling will settle any dispute as to the bids by declaring all bids off and reselling the animal in question.
  - c. Cattle are property *of* the purchasers as soon as sold by auctioneer.
  - d. Terms *of* the sale are cash, unless other arrangements have been made with the owner before the sale.
  - e. Breeding dates for animals that have been bred and not listed in the catalog will be given sale day.
  - f. If errors are noted in the catalog, announcements will be made from the auction stand; as such announcements will take precedence over the matter in the catalog.
  - g. Each animal is recorded, or will be recorded, in the Herd Books of the American Red Poll Association. Certificates of registry and transfer will be recorded by the seller and furnished the purchaser free of charge.
  - h. Owner warrants clear title to the property and right to sell the same.
  - i. Unless otherwise noted in the catalog *or* announced from the auction stand, each animal is sold as sound. (Amended 1992)

## **AMENDMENTS**

- A.** These Bylaws may be added, altered, amended, or repealed by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular or special meeting of the Association providing the proposed changes have been published twice at least 30 days and 60 days prior to the meeting. (Amended 2002)
- B.** The effective date of the Bylaws amendments will be 30 days after publication. (Amended 2002)
- C.** Rule changes will be effective 30 days after publication. (Amended 2002 & 2022)

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **A. Establishing The Red Poll Endowment Fund**

- BE IT RESOLVED that American Red Poll Association solicits contributions from the Association membership for the establishment, within two years, of an endowed capital fund to support the purposes of the Association.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such contributions be held by the Secretary- Treasurer in accordance with the laws of the State of Nebraska governing Fiduciary investments; that the interest, dividends and capital gains returned by such investments be available to supplement the regular operating funds of the Association; and that no disbursements be made from the principal amount of such account except for the establishment of a permanent fund in the hands of an institutional trustee.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board reviews the progress of this fund at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors for the purpose of determining an appropriate time and manner for the establishment of a permanent fund in the hands of an institutional trustee. (Adopted 1964 Annual Meeting.)

### **B. AFFIRMING BYLAW INTERPRETATION REGARDING MEMBERSHIP**

- BE IT RESOLVED that membership in the American Red Poll Association be open to any reputable breeder or owner of Red Poll cattle on the same terms and conditions as are presently set forth in the Bylaws of the Association, without reference to any affiliation by the owner or breeder to the splinter Association. (Adopted 1966 Annual Meeting).

### **C. VERIFICATION OF PEDIGREES REGARDING REGISTRATIONS**

- BE IT RESOLVED that where the pedigrees of animals offered for registration by the American Red Poll Association show animals not previously registered by the American Red Poll Association, and not owned by the offerer, such cattle be accepted for registry upon the terms and conditions set forth in the present Bylaws of the Association and upon payment of a research fee of \$2.00 per head for each unregistered animal in the pedigree, provided, however, that such research fee shall not exceed \$20.00 per animal offered for registry.(Adopted 1966 Annual Meeting).