



NOTICE

124th Annual Convention

Holstein Association USA, Inc.

June 29-30, 2009

TO THE MEMBERS OF
HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION USA, INC.

You are hereby notified that the 124th Annual Meeting of Holstein Association USA, Inc. will be held June 29-30, 2009 during the Holstein Association Convention at the Hyatt Regency Sacramento, 1209 L Street, Sacramento, California 95814, commencing at 9:00 a.m., June 29, 2009, local time. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and directors and to transact any other business that may properly come before the organization.

PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE BYLAWS

*NOTE: In the following proposal to amend the bylaws, text to be added is in **bold type and underlined**.*

Proposal by Doug Maddox, on behalf of the board of directors, to amend the Bylaws as follows:

ARTICLE IV - THE HERDBOOK

Prefix ART. IV, SEC. 16. (e) The Board of Directors is authorized to establish rules for the revocation of the proprietor's right to the prefix due to nonuse of the prefix.

COMMENT:

The bylaws currently do not provide for the reuse of unused prefixes. As a result, thousands of prefixes that were reserved and last used many years ago are unavailable for reuse. New members are finding it increasingly difficult to find an available and appropriate prefix. If this amendment is approved, the Board of Directors intends to set policies to allow reuse of old, unused prefixes and to permanently retire certain well-known prefixes from the past.



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AT THIS, THE 124th ANNUAL CONVENTION, THERE SHALL BE ELECTED A PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT, EACH FOR A TERM OF TWO (2) YEARS.

President will be elected for a term of two (2) years.

DECLARED CANDIDATE: Larry A. Tande Medford, Minnesota

Vice President will be elected for a term of two (2) years.

DECLARED CANDIDATES: John Bierbaum Burnsville, Minnesota
Tom Thorbahn Vickery, Ohio
Chuck Worden Cassville, New York

AT THIS, THE 124th ANNUAL CONVENTION, THERE SHALL BE ELECTED FOUR (4) DIRECTORS, EACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS.

Three (3) Directors, one each in Regions 5, 8, and 9, will be elected for a term of three (3) years.

DECLARED CANDIDATES: Robert Nigh Viroqua, Wisconsin Region 5
Bill Stoltzfus Buhl, Idaho Region 8
Bill Wright McCornick, Utah Region 8
Hank van Exel Lodi, California Region 9

One (1) Director At-Large will be elected for a term of three (3) years.

DECLARED CANDIDATES: Dennis A. Areias Los Banos, California
Thomas F. Atherton Gaines, Michigan
Jonathan Lamb Oakfield, New York

Directors ineligible for re-election under Article II, Section 1(c) of the Association's Bylaws:

Glen Brown Coalville, Utah
Tom Thorbahn Vickery, Ohio

Brattleboro, Vermont
May 8, 2009

John M. Meyer
Executive Secretary



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