



Canadian Livestock Genetics Association
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CLGA Holds 2009 AGM

The Canadian Livestock Genetics Association held its 2009 Annual General Meeting at Gencor in Guelph. CLGA began operations in September of 1999 so outgoing President Shelley Doan used the occasion of the 10-year milestone to outline major achievements and to recount how the economic crisis brought on by BSE had confirmed the CLGA's mandate and propelled a young association into a leadership role. While this created some challenges along the way, President Doan noted that with the BSE issue mostly behind us, the association is on the right track.

Executive Director Rick McRonald noted that the daily activity of CLGA remains that of working with the members, Government and others on market access and animal health issues. He then went on to describe some of the major national initiatives in which the CLGA represents the industry including the Canadian Animal Health Coalition, the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Strategy and the Market Access Secretariat. Mr. McRonald also reviewed the AgriMarketing Program and the association's dairy and small ruminant strategies.

The financial statements for 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 were approved and a 2009-2010 budget was presented. The Board did not recommend the re-appointment of G.E. Arlen as the association's auditor at this time and the members supported the decision to seek proposals from auditing firms and to present the results of the search for member approval at a later date.

The following slate of Directors was elected: Shelley Doan, Paul Larmer, Paul Greaves, Russell Gammon, Roger Turner, Laurie Stanton, Jim Weaver, Brian Atkinson, Gary Smith and Bill Shore. Thanks were extended to retiring Directors: Pierre Trudeau, Steve Jones and Keith Flaman.

Under the leadership of the Executive Director, the members then engaged in CLGA's ongoing strategic planning process.

Copies of all the documents presented at the AGM are available from the CLGA office.

At the Board meeting immediately after the AGM, the following positions were confirmed:

President: Russell Gammon

Vice President: Paul Larmer

Past President: Shelley Doan

Executive Members: Laurie Stanton and Brian Atkinson

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