1. Welcome –
   • Lesa welcomed everyone and explained that Greg Dickens was absent due to broken water lines.
   • Committee chairs were asked to send Lesa an updated list of committee members for 2018.

2. Customer Service Task Force – Jeff Chambers
   • In response to the BOD’s request at the last meeting, the task force has developed a 2nd draft of the ADCA Mission Statement:
     “The mission of the American Dexter Cattle Association is to protect, improve, develop, and promote the interests, standing, and quality of the Dexter breed; and to assist members in adding value to their animals.”
     Jeff will email a copy for the BOD to review before taking a vote to accept this statement.

   • CONTINUE WITH TABLED MOTIONS FROM DECEMBER 6, 2017 CONFERENCE
     o 10) Move that the Board establish a method whereby animal accession or case number (not the genotype itself) used in the parent verification process for registration are made available for membership through the online registry or other means. That a joint, ad hoc working group composed of the Technology Committee, Pedigree and Genetics, the ADCA Registrar and members designated to investigate methods with an initial report to the Board at the April 2018 meeting.
       Move: Jeff Chambers; Second: Joel Dowty
       **Motion passed unanimously**

     o 11) Move that the Board direct the ADCA Webmaster to work with the Technology committee and other members designated to review and propose to the Board by May 2018 a plan, including example designs and estimates of financial requirements, for the redesign of the ADCA website to effectively meet the Association and member’s needs.
       Move: Jeff Chambers; Second: Pat Mitchell
       **Amended Motion passed unanimously**

3. Texas A&M – Doug Loyd
   • A Task force includes Doug Loyd (chair), Jim Smith, Robyn Welch and David Jones have been assigned to contact Texas A&M about the possibility of implementing a direct payment option for ADCA members ordering genetic testing. The task force was asked to have a report ready for the February 2018 meeting.

4. Bulletin – Lesa Reid
   • Lesa emailed article requests and deadlines to the BOD today. The deadline for submitting articles to the editor are due January 10, 2018.
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January 3, 2018 - 7 pm CDT

- This edition will be mostly AGM related articles and forms
- Going forward the BOD would like to obtain articles from ADCA members. Regional Directors will try to encourage members to participate and share their knowledge.
- Terry Sprague suggested articles show references.

5. Info Sharing SOP – Doug Loyd
   - Doug will email to the BOD and we will discuss at February 2018 meeting.

6. Genetics Joel Dowty
   - Move that the ADCA Board makes explicit the intent of the published “Requirements for Registration/Decision Tree” by directing the ADCA Registrar to not refer to the Pedigree and Genetics Committee, nor for the Committee to accept from members, requests for case review of animals born after 1/1/2014. Review of cases with animals born prior to this date will continue as is needed.
   Move: Joel Dowty            Second: Jim Woehl
   Motion passed unanimously

7. AGM – Jim Woehl
   - Jim will email the 2018 agenda to BOD this week
   - Emphasis will be on education Friday
   - Change in Steer class to extend age to 29 months at members requests
   - Roberta Wieringa will be the barn superintendent/ Debbie Hawkins getting buckles
   - Jeff Chambers will email a volunteer list to Regional Directors. We are hoping to have members from every region participated. Region 6 will do check-in, Region 1 office work, handling packets
   - 2019 AGM will be Lincoln Nebraska – excited for a turn key show with no setup involved!

8. Youth – Elissa Emmons-Sawyer
   - Waiting on quotes for show vests
   - Chris Odem award – needs to be easily available, applications are on website and will be in the bulletin. 2017 winner Britni Stewart will be highlighted in the next bulletin.
   - Lining up education and activities for the 2017 AGM. May have a special dinner for youth.
   - Sullivan’s may do a grooming class and set up trailer as a vendor. Still working on details.

9. Final Thoughts
   - Lesa Reid- in addition to the Bulletin editor do we need a copy editor? Bulletin Committee, Pat Mitchell (chair), will consider our options and report back to board ASAP
   - Ray Delany - Website items need updated, for example financial statements and the Bulletin.
   - Webmaster needs direction for pulling old information off the website.
   - Doug Loyd – At the 2017 AGM the BOD asked for an audit to be done by an outside person. Does anyone know if it has been scheduled yet? Lesa will contact Greg about this and get back to the BOD.
   - Lesa thanked everyone for their efforts and service to the ADCA!

Conference call ended at 8:50 CDT