

## Animal Identification & Information Systems Committee Report

2010 NIAA Annual Meeting

Wednesday, March 17, 2010



The Animal Identification and Information Systems Committee met on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 from 1:00 pm to 5:25 pm during the 2010 NIAA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri with 178 people present. Mr. Victor Velez and Dr. Michael Coe served as Co-Chairs.

The following speakers presented relevant information pertaining to the new Animal Disease Traceability framework:

**Dr. Richard Breitmeyer, State Veterinarian, California Department of Food and Agriculture, President, United States Animal Health Association,** presented “The Critical Traceability Needs for the Future Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Programs: What happens when today's tools go away?”

**Dr. Anette Rink, Nevada Department of Agriculture,** presented “One Health: A multi-species perspective from an animal disease and food safety laboratory.”

**Edward M. Avalos, Under Secretary, USDA Marketing and Regulatory Programs and Veterinary Services,** and **Dr. John Clifford, Chief Veterinarian, USDA,** presented “The Future of Traceability in USDA's Animal Health Programs.”

The panel discussion focused on “Animal Agriculture Industry Input on New Framework for Animal Traceability.”

- Beef: **Kelli Ludlum, American Farm Bureau Federation**
- Dairy: **Dr. Karen Jordan, Dairy Farmers of America**
- Equine: **Mr. Dudley Hoskins, American Horse Council**
- Sheep & Goats: **Dr. Cindy Wolf, University of Minnesota**
- Swine: **Dr. Patrick Webb, National Pork Board**
- Livestock Markets: **Mr. Richard Ellinghuysen, Producers Livestock Marketing Association**
- Processing: **Mr. Scott Goltry, American Meat Institute**

Industry representatives from various species and segments of animal agriculture discussed questions and provided input to USDA representatives on the new direction of animal identification.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- No existing resolutions were amended.
- Two resolutions were rescinded.
  - Confidentiality of Producer Records
  - Outreach/Education Efforts for the National Animal Identification System (NAIS)
- Two resolutions were allowed to sunset.
  - Funding for the National Animal Identification System (NAIS)
  - Endorsement of the National Animal Identification Systems (NAIS)
- One new resolution was presented and accepted.

- Outreach/Education Efforts for the Animal Disease Traceability Framework

**Committee Session adjourned at 5:25 pm.**