

2014 Beef Improvement Federation Meeting Tentative Agenda

Attention on Novel Traits: Needed or Novelty

June 18th

12:00-7:00—Registration

5:00-6:00—Welcome Reception

6:00-9:00 PM-- USMARC Symposium: 50 Years of Service to the Beef Industry

June 19th

6:00 am -6:00 PM--Registration

8:00-12:30—General Session I: Focus on the Cowherd

8:00—Welcome

8:30—Economic considerations for profitable cowherds
Clay Mathis, King Ranch Institute

9:15— Heifer intake and feed efficiency as indicators of cow intake and efficiency
Dan Shike, University of Illinois

10:00—Break

10:30—Decreasing costs through improved heifer development strategies
Rick Funston, University of Nebraska

11:00-- The long lasting impact of nutrition: Developmental programming
Kim Vonnahme, North Dakota State University

11:30—Merging Genetics and Management for Improved Profitability—Tom Field
Moderator
Panelists: Donnell Brown, JD Radakovich, Lorna Marshall

12:30-2:30—Awards Luncheon

2:30-5:30—Technical Breakout Sessions
Advancements in Cowherd Efficiency and Adaptability
Advancements in Emerging Technology
Advancements in Selection Decisions*
Advancements in Producer Applications*

* Committee sessions will be joined

6:00-10:00 PM Dinner at Lincoln Station

June 20th

6:00 am -6:00 PM--Registration

8:00-12:30—General Session II: Focus on the Feedlot

8:00—Selection for Novel Traits: An international genomics perspective
Donagh Berry, Animal & Grassland Research and Innovation Centre, Teagas, Ireland

8:30— Genetics of Disease Susceptibility
Holly Neibergs, Washington State University

9:00— It is possible to genetically change the nutrient profile of beef
Raluca Mateescu, Oklahoma State University

9:30— Changes in dietary regime impact fatty acid profile of beef
Susan Duckett, Clemson University

10:00—Break

10:30— Improving feed efficiency in the feedlot: Opportunities and challenges
Galen Erickson, University of Nebraska

11:00— Relationship between selection for feed efficiency and methane production
Harvey Freetly, US Meat Animal Research Center

11:30—Wrap up

11:45—Annual meeting, regional caucuses, election of directors

12:30-2:30—Awards Luncheon

2:30-5:30—Technical Breakout Sessions
Advancements in Live Animal, Carcass and End Product

Advancements in Genetic Prediction

June 21st

Post Conference Tour

6:45 a.m. Depart hotel

Circle Five Feedlot

US Meat Animal Research Center

GeneSeek

5:00 p.m. Arrive back to hotel