

Leadership Matters. Make Your Vote Count.

“Successful leaders see the opportunities in every difficulty rather than the difficulty in every opportunity.” ~ Reed Markham

As a member of the USJersey organizations, it is your responsibility to let your voice be heard with your vote in the annual elections. It is you, the members, who elect the individuals to serve in these important leadership positions.

The elected leaders of the USJersey organizations are the voice of our membership. They are selected with the principle of one member, one vote. They carry with them the views of their constituents, as they work together to establish policies respective to the delivery of services by the American Jersey Cattle Association, National All-Jersey Inc., and its subsidiary All-Jersey Sales Corporation.

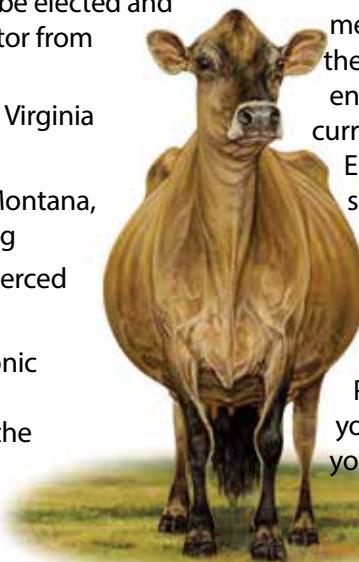
It is the responsibility of the boards to ensure that quality, cost-effective programs and services are delivered to the membership. They determine fees for services, supervise the use of funds and manage assets to support future research, development and growth.

The 151st meeting of the American Jersey Cattle Association will be held Saturday, June 29, 2019, at The Saratoga Hilton in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

At the meeting, a president will be elected and membership will vote in one director from each of these districts:

- Fourth District: Ohio and West Virginia
- Seventh District: Wisconsin
- Tenth District: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming
- Twelfth District: California—Merced County

An amendment to allow electronic voting and delivery of official communications electronically in the future, will be put before the membership for consideration.



With changes in technology over time, the process of notifying eligible members of meetings and voting information by first class mail has become almost obsolete. Therefore the proposed amendment, if approved, will allow for electronic voting and distribution of official communication to be sent by mail, or any authorized communications equipment permitted under the laws of the State of Ohio to the membership and directors.

For the AJCA, amendments to the Constitution require a 75 percent affirmative vote of all eligible members voting at the annual meeting for implementation.

On Thursday, June 27, 2019, National All-Jersey Inc., will hold their annual meeting at the same location. One director from District 1 will be elected. The National All-Jersey Inc., board of directors has also proposed an amendment to allow electronic voting and delivery of official communications electronically in the future. A two-thirds majority of voting members at the meeting is required for approval.

Members can submit their vote for the amendments in person at the Annual Meeting or by proxy. The proxy, which allows members to vote on the amendments, will be mailed to all active members in May. Even if you will be attending the Annual Meeting, the Boards recommend and encourage you to vote by proxy. This makes the current voting procedure more efficient.

Enclosed with the proxy will be an information sheet explaining the proposed amendments along with the appendices containing the exact wording of the proposed changes. The amendments were announced in the April Jersey Journal on page 31.

Please exercise your privilege and accept your responsibility to vote when you receive your ballot and proxy in the coming weeks.

Your voice is important to the future of our breed.

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