



### **Independent Cattlemen's Association Elects New Officers**

**Lockhart, TX- June 18, 2020**

**For Immediate Release-**The Board of Directors of the Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas met on June 18 in Lockhart, Texas. The main order of business was to elect officers, new directors and adopt Policy resolutions for the 2020-2021 year. Due to the cancellation of the State Convention due to Covid-19, ICA bylaws allow the Board of Directors to elect officers, directors and adopt resolutions in the event the State Convention cannot be held. Brad Cotton of Floresville was elected President for the 2020-2021 year. Others officers elected included: Chloe Wilson of Sabinal, Past President; Kerry Wiggins of Austin, First Vice President; Jay Levingston of Beaumont, Second Vice President; Tom Lester of Gonzales, Secretary; and Paul Looney of Mineral, Treasurer. Elected to the Executive Committee were Brian Malaer of Harwood and Chuck Kiker of Beaumont.

Joining the state Board as new Directors, serving with three year terms, were Carl Glass of Skidmore, Brenda Moore of La Vernia, Billy Kinney of China, Doug Muenchow of Floresville and Horace Drisdale of Plum. Expiring Directors Dr. Glen Tate of Adkins, Dr. Jason Cleere of Madisonville, David Karisch of La Grange were re-elected to additional three year terms. Wayne Dierlam of Victoria, Darrell Sklar of Edna and Alton Kuykendall of Stockdale were elected to Director Emeritus status.

Several policy resolutions were also adopted at the meeting. The first resolution called for stricter inspection procedures by the Texas Animal Health Commission concerning exotic animal movement from areas in proximity to present or past fever tick infected areas. The second resolution requested USDA to limit the importation of foreign beef into the domestic marketplace during supply chain disruptions as recently observed during the current pandemic.