



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING Held December 10, 2022

Location: Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association
2500 Exchange Ave
Oklahoma City, OK 73108

Attendance:

Directors

Kurt Hamburger, President
Angela Landwehr, Sec/Treas
Brenda Fowler, SW District Director
Jeff Henrichs, At-Large Director
Sean Ison, At-Large Director
Audra Williams, SE District Director

Others

Danea Ison,
Litt Fowler, Guest
Aaron Williams, Guest

Absent

Dick Shulanberger, Vice President
Jeff White, (Ex Officio)
Dr. Gary Updyke, NE Dist. Director

Call to Order – December 10, 2022

On December 10th, President Kurt Hamburger called the Board Meeting to order with all directors present.

Minutes

Angela Landwehr asked for any amendments to the prior meeting minutes. Audra Williams moved to approve the prior meeting minutes; Sean Ison seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report

President, Kurt Hamburger reported back on the Washington Mutual Fund. He indicated that the funds still exist but had been difficult to obtain a current balance. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of transferring the funds to another agent in order to resolve the access issue. Further research will be performed regarding this transfer.

Disclosure of a check received from the American Simmental Association (ASA) by Jeff White was made. It was assumed that this check was reimbursement of the cost share. Michelle Helm offered to research and report back to the Board. It was also noted that the certificate of deposit originally on deposit at ACB Bank had been cashed in and funds deposited to the general fund until a better understanding is gained of working balances.

Michelle Helm reported research performed regarding the status of our 501(c)3 designation. She indicated that the Oklahoma Simmental Association's 501(c)3 status had lapsed in 2011. No Form 990 had been filed since that time. She suggested filing a Form 1023EZ along with a \$275.00 refiling fee in order to apply

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with the Internal Revenue Service for reinstatement. Jeff Henrichs moved to file the Form 1023EZ and pay the reinstatement fee to the IRS. Sean Ison seconded. Motion passed.

Executive Committee Report

No update to this committee.

Fairs/Shows/Sale Committee Report

Sean Ison reported on the Cattlemen's Congress progress. He indicated that arrangements had been made for the ultrasounds for the pen show on January 6. Verification had been made with Chance Ujazdowski, PTP Coordinator for ASA regarding preparations for the Cattlemen's Congress show. Sean had also visited with Greg Burden regarding the Bricktown National Simmental Sale. Everything appeared to be ready and the sale catalog was in process of publication. Michelle Helm updated the Board and indicated that she had met with Mia Bayer, Director of Youth and Foundation manager at the ASA and Chance Ujazdowski regarding preparations. Michelle indicated there were several things that the Oklahoma Simmental Association is responsible for such as executing the judges contract including payment of travel expenses and primary judges fee. Cattlemen's Congress handles the lodging for judges. Michelle also indicated it was the responsibility of OKSSA to provide awards for the show. Discussion was held regarding sponsorship of these awards in the future. Sean Ison estimated receipt of approximately \$4,000 in entry fees. Michelle indicated that arrangements had been made for the Meet and Greet prior to the Bricktown National sale. She indicated the Meet and Greet would be held from 2-4 p.m. with the sale commencing at 4 p.m. All appetizers for the event have been contracted through the fairgrounds. Sponsorship from the ASA will be received in the amount of \$3000.

Nominating Committee Report

No update to this committee.

Membership/Promotion Committee Report

Discussion was held regarding the ordering of additional promotional materials to have available to hand out promoting the OKSSA. Audra Williams moved to authorize the purchase of additional promotional materials. Jeff Henrichs seconded. Motion was approved.

Youth Activities Committee Report

Danea Ison reported that no December event will occur. She recommended that the get together be delayed until spring possibly at Beef Expo in April.

Performance Committee Report

No update to this committee.

Unfinished Items

- Discussion was held regarding obtaining a cash rewards MC/Visa card for use by the Association. Angela Landwehr made the motion to permit Michelle Helm to research and obtain a card for usage. Sean Ison seconded. Motion was approved.

New Items

- Kurt Hamburger recommended scheduling the next meeting for February 12 at 1 p.m.
- Hosting the Regional show in 2024 was discussed. Sean Ison indicated that the ASA would be assisting with additional funds. Talk has occurred regarding hosting the 2024 Junior Nationals in Tulsa but nothing has been formalized.

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- Mention was made of an increased presence at the OKC Farm Show to be held on April 13, 14, and 15, 2023. Michelle Helm indicated she would reach out for contracts on booth space.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Angela Landwehr

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Board Secretary/Treasurer