

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING Held December 9, 2023

### Location: Tulsa Expo Square

# Attendance:

### Directors

Kurt Hamburger, President Dick Shulenburger, NE District Director Chet Purvine, NW District Director Jeff Henrichs, At- Large Director Harold Stephens, At-Large Director Dr. Gary Updyke, NE District Director Sean Ison, Vice-President Audra Williams, Secretary/Treasurer

### Guests

Danea Abney, Junior Advisor Michelle Helm, Executive Director

Call to Order - Kurt Hamburger called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### Minutes

Dr. Gary Updyke moved to approve the past meeting minutes. Seconded by Dick Schulanberger. Motion passed.

### **Financial Report**

Michelle gave a brief overview of the accounts and the quickbooks reports for the new members. Expenses that need approval are awards for Cattlemens Congress totaling \$ 2,196.00 and the budget of a catering expense for the Meet & Greet for Cattlemens Congress. Harold Stephens moved to accept the financial report. Chet Purvine seconded. Motion passes.

### **Executive Secretary Report**

Michelle reported that the Directory would be going to print in the middle of December and would be ready to distribute at Cattlemens Congress.

### Fairs/Shows/Sale Committee Report

Sean reported entry numbers for the 2024 Catttlemen's Congress. Discussion started about getting other breed associations together to better improve Cattlemens Congress pen show and the topic of creating an additional event to bring in junior exhibitors, breeders and commercial cattleman. Sean was going to reach out to Oklahoma Cattlemens Association to see if they could help facilitate this. It was

decided Sean Ison would be chairman of the Fairs and Shows Committee. Members consist of Chet Purvine, Jake Grossnicklaus and Kurt Hamburger. Moved by Harold Stephens. Seconded by Dr. Gary Updkye . Motion Passes.

### **Nominating Committee Report**

No information to report.

#### Membership/Promotion Committee Report

Discussion was had about greeting a one sheet to send out to new members of the ASA to encourage membership to the OKSSA. Michelle was tasked with designing and presenting this at the next meeting. Audra Williams was named Chair of the Membership and Promotion committee. Chet Purvine moved to accept the report. Dr. Gary Updyke seconded. Motion passes.

#### **Youth Activities Committee Report**

It was discussed to look at sponsorships for Junior awards for in-state shows and ensure those sponsors receive a thank you letter from junior members.

#### Performance Committee Report

# New Items to Discuss

Michelle brought up the Articles of Incorporation in an effort to restore our 501(c)(5) status. After discussion the board wanted to include the following statement.

Upon dissolution, OKSSA investment funds and checking account goes to the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association foundation with the intent to continue to fund scholarship for junior members.

Dr. Gary Updyke moved to accept the Articles of Incorporation. Seconded by Harold Stephens. Motion passes.

#### Announcements

After discussion from Annual meeting it was discussed to have Jace White present at the next meeting to help work through some of our issues in the current bylaws.

Their was some discussion on the Board of Director contact list about term years being incorrect. Sean Ison moved to table this and have Michelle Helm look at this and report back at the next meeting. Dr. Gary Updyke seconded. Motion passes.

Kurt Hamburger set the next meeting for January 20th, with that being reliant on if Jace White was available to meet.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18p.m.