



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
Held November 1, 2023

Location: Zoom

Attendance:

Directors

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

Guests

Danea Abney, Junior Advisor
Michelle Helm, Executive Secretary

Call to Order – Kurt Hamburger called the meeting to order at 7:09pm

Minutes

Sean made the motion to accept the minutes from the September 13th meeting. Brenda Fowler seconded. Motion Passes.

Financial Report

Angela stated there was \$2,785.00 outstanding accounts receivable from the 2023 membership directory. Michelle did not have any updates to give on the directory. The board recommended reaching out one last time to try and receive payment. Angela commented saying we are working on getting some of the items recoded in quickbooks. Michelle stated that the Oklahoma State Bank account current balance is \$5,836.53. and the Ameriprise account is currently at \$69,540.15. Dr. Updyke moved to approve the financial report. Sean seconded. Motion passes.

Executive Committee Report

No information to report.

Fairs/Shows/Sale Committee Report

Sean reported there was 25 entries at EYO and there was positive interest in having an open show at EYO. Sean stated he thought there was no associated cost with adding an open show at EYO. Tulsa State Fair open show had around 45 head in the open show. Sean was not aware of the junior show numbers at Tulsa State Fair but Simmentals were well represented in the overall drives receiving top 5 honors. Michelle brought up the conversation of superintendents for the junior show and evaluating this position. Dr. Updyke made the motion to table this until the next meeting.

Michelle had talked with ASA and they had asked the OKSSA to sponsor the meet and greet again at the 2024 Cattlemens Congress and would provide the OKSSA with \$3,000 to help with meal and bar costs. Sean made the motion to approve this participation, Audra seconded. Motion passes.

Michelle also talked with Mia Bayer from the ASA about junior nationals. The ASA is asking for volunteers, judges for contest, and hospitality. They also asked for us to sponsor class winner gifts or donate an exhibitor gift for around 600 exhibitors.

Nominating Committee Report

Kurt updated the board that there will be three board positions open at the 2023 OKSSA Annual meeting.

Membership/Promotion Committee Report

Michelle reminded the board that we will have a booth at the Tulsa Farm Show December 7-9, 2023 and if they were interested in working the booth to let her know.

Youth Activities Committee Report

No information to report.

Performance Committee Report

Dr. Updyke talked with Peter Jefferies about a bull test. He stated he had not had much interest from memberships. Michelle stated from the survey she sent out it looked like people would be interested in both consigning and attending. More people were leaning towards a fall sale.

Executive Secretary Report

Michelle updated the board that there were currently 15 people not including board members that have RSVP'd. Michelle brought up opening up committees to non-board members and asked board members to have committee reports ready for annual meeting.

Michelle brought forth the junior of the year applications. Laney Warrington and Rylee Williams both applied. Michelle asked the board to send their votes in after reviewing the applications.

Michelle stated that the ad deadline for the 2024 OKSSA directory is December 8th and if any board members knew of any interest to let her know.

New Items

Michelle brought up the topic of Articles of Incorporation to instate our 501(c)(5). Brenda mentioned there may be something on the flashdrive that states this. Kurt suggested to table this until annual meeting.

Discussion

Jeff Henrichs asked about what the districts. Michelle stated that I-40 and I-35 split the districts for directors.

Audra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sean seconded. Motion passes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:30p.m.