



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
Held September 13, 2023

Location: Zoom

Attendance:

Directors

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

Call to Order - Angela Landwehr called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

Minutes

Angela Landwehr asked for any amendments to the prior meeting minutes. Sean Ison moved to approve the prior meetings minutes; Audra Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried.

Financial Report

Michelle Helm presented a list of financials to be approved. The first was Midwest Shows for the Tulsa Farm Show booth totalling \$715. Second was an expense to Signature Awards \$2,510 for EYO and Tulsa State Fair junior awards. The final expense was for annual meeting \$1,272.05 for the down payment for space and catering paid to Remington Park. Dr. Updyke mentioned cost-share from ASA for the Tulsa State Fair booth. Michelle Helm said she will complete this form after the farm show to receive payment from ASA. Gary Updyke moved to approve the expenses; Sean Ison seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried.

Michelle Helm gave an update on the Ameriprise account. That account has been officially moved over to Ameriprise with Lisa Donaldson as the account manager. Angela Landwehr added that Lisa has offered to attend an upcoming board meeting to further educate the best way to invest those funds. Brenda Fowler asked where these funds originated from. Sean Ison indicated that it used to be the Washington Mutual account.

Executive Secretary Report

Michelle Helm presented the schedule, agenda and bylaw changes to the Board for Annual meeting. Brenda asked what time we are starting the meeting. Michelle went through the schedule with the meeting starting at 1pm and then a social hour at 5pm, dinner at 6pm and races starting at 7pm. Angela Landwehr mentioned that the election of officers needs to be added to the agenda. Michelle Helm encouraged the Board to reach out to juniors to apply for the Junior of the Year application. She also mentioned that the deadline for Directory ads is December 1st and if they knew of anyone who would like to place an ad to get with her.

Fairs/Shows/Sale Committee Report

Sean Ison reported that they will check in EYO cattle tomorrow. There are 21 purebred, 24 percentages entered for Oklahoma State Fair/EYO. Sean mentioned at check-in that he would gauge interest for an Open Show at State Fair and report back to the board. Sean also reported the Tulsa State Fair Open Show has around 40 head entered.

Nominating Committee Report

No information to report.

Membership/Promotion Committee Report

No information to report.

Youth Activities Committee Report

No information to report.

Performance Committee Report

Dr. Gary Updyke reported he has talked with Pete Jefferies and they have agreed to help with a bull test. He urged the board to decide if we would like to pursue this avenue. Dr. Updyke asked Michelle Helm if she had contacted any ASA members on their interest in a bull test or sale. Michelle Helm stated that she had not due to only having a physical mailing address she wanted to try to combine it with annual meeting information to send one envelope. Angela Landwehr asked what time period they were thinking. Dr. Updyke stated that he thought it would go hand in hand when people wean calves and wanted to start a bull test in November. Michelle Helm asked if Pete Jefferies would be available to come to the Annual meeting to do a presentation to members. Dr. Updyke responded that it depends on who attends the annual meeting, junior members or performance breeders. Brenda Fowler mentioned that Dr. Updyke should contact Hoss or Tom Manske as they were promoting Simmental bulls for sale. Dr. Updyke also mentioned that Buddy Robertson was running for the American Simmental Board of Trustees as a write-in and support for a fellow Oklahoman. Angela asked for a motion from the board to endorse Buddy Robertson as an ASA write-in candidate. Brenda Fowler moved to approve the endorsement of Buddy Robertson for an ASA candidate; Dr. Updyke seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried.

Unfinished Items

Michelle Helm presented the bylaw changes to the board. Michelle explained that was the verbiage that was discussed at the last meeting and was needing board approval before taking to membership. Sean Ison moved to approve the changes to the bylaws; Audra Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried.

Michelle Helm presented the Articles of Incorporation for the Board to look over. To regain the 501(3)c status for the organization the IRS requires a dissolution plan. Michelle Helm wanted to know if there was an existing document she was unaware of that would serve this purpose. Brenda Fowler said she was unaware of anything. Sean Ison asked if we would have to dictate where the assets would go if the organization dissolved. He continued on to see if we would need to set up a beneficiary for the assets. Brenda suggested we tabled this for next week where we have some more information. Audra Williams made a motion to table the Articles of Incorporation; Dr. Updyke seconded. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried.

New Items

Angela Landwehr set the next meeting for November 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. via zoom.

Sean Ison moved to adjourn the meeting, Dr. Updyke seconded. Roll call vote was taken with all directors present casting a Yes vote. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.