

NTSRI BOD Conference call October 7, 2018  
Call in number 218-339-7816 Access Code 717 8357

In attendance

Kathy Niese, President, Region 4, Tammy Westcott, Secretary, Region 6, Lynn Murry, Region 7

Laureen Howe, Region 2, Jozi Best, Region 1

Sue Anderson, guest, Show & Sale Committee, Rich Schambow, guest, Show & Sale Committee

Absent

John Vogel, Alternate, Region 8 Peyton Fair, Region 5, Marianne Turcheck, Region 3

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by President Kathy Niese.

Mrs. Niese gave an update on the Director's and Officer's Insurance (D&O) and Errors and Omissions (E&O) Insurance policies. These policies will expire on 10-9-18. Barry Bruce, Insurance Agent had been in contact with Nathan Vandebroek, NTSRI Treasurer, about getting paid for the renewal of these policies. There was some suspicion on the NTSRI side about the validity of the request which led to a misunderstanding about getting these policies renewed. Barry Bruce sent notification to the entire BOD about the policies expiring. Kathy Niese and Russ Johnson worked on 10-5-18 to get into contact with Barry Bruce, gain an understanding of the situation and ultimately put some steps in place to get the NTSRI IRS 990 form to Barry Bruce to renew the insurance policies.

Tammy Westcott asked if anyone had a copy of the policies. Russ Johnson will make sure copies are available at the NTSRI BOD meeting at the 2018 NAILE in Louisville, KY.

Jozi Best brought up the need to identify and then notify all of the businesses NTSRI works with in order to give them an updated NTSRI contact list. Russ Johnson and Kathy Niese will work on a comprehensive list of essential businesses.

Nathan Vandebroek had sent Kathy Niese a letter of resignation from his position of Treasurer. After a lengthy discussion Laureen Howe moved to retain Nathan Vandebroek as Treasurer. Jozi Best Seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Kathy Niese will be in contact with Nathan Vandebroek to discuss the details. In addition, Nathan Vandebroek will be asked to write a job description for the Treasurer's position to better outline the roles and responsibilities.

Region 8 director, Cheryl Allen, submitted a resignation letter to Kathy Niese. Mrs. Allen cited some personal reasons for her resignation. Laureen Howe moved to accept the resignation. Jozi Best seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Region 8 alternate is John Vogel. Mr. Vogel has not been active in participating in NTSRI BOD meetings or events. There have been several attempts to contact Mr. Vogel by Tammy Westcott, Kathy Niese and Russ Johnson, with no return response. Russ Johnson will write a letter to send to Mr. Vogel as the last attempt prior to the President appointing a director from Region 8 per Article 6 of the NTSRI Constitution. November 1, 2018 will be deadline for Mr. Vogel to respond.

Keystone International Livestock Expo (KILE) is requesting \$200 from NTSRI to pay junior exhibitors. Currently KILE is going on. Kathy Niese will do a little more follow up to determine what the \$200 will be used for and give an update at the next BOD meeting.

The meeting minutes from the August BOD meeting and this meeting will be presented and approved at the next BOD meeting

#### Committee Reports

- Show & Sale Committee
  - NAILE. Sue Anderson reported that she has received \$488 which represents 61 open sheep entries. There is still time left to make payment, so this is not a final number.
  - Stars of Louisville Sale
    - To date, 3 entries have been received
    - An additional 12 entries have an interest in consigning
    - October 15 is the deadline to submit entries for any registered Tunis ewe 5 years old or less.
    - Show & Sale will be November 10 @ 7:00pm. Could be later depending on the sale prior to the Tunis sale, but it will not start before 7pm.
    - There was discussion around having the sale if there are less than 20 entries. Right now, we will proceed as if the sale will take place. The deadline to enter is October 15.
    - A minimum of 20 head is needed to cover the expense related to the sale
  - Big Ohio Sale
    - Russ Johnson talked to Greg Deakin about the Tunis breed being a part of the 2019 Big Ohio Sale in Eaton, OH.
      - Greg Deakin will respond to the letter the week of October 8, 2018 confirming the dates/times/schedule.

Next BOD meeting will be November 12, 2018 at NAILE in Louisville, KY. Specific place and time will be communicated as soon as the information is available.

Tammy Westcott moved that the meeting adjourned at 8:29pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Russ Johnson