

**NTSRI Board Meeting**  
**November 17, 2013, 10 AM, EST**  
**NAILE Room C106**

**Attendees:**

Bill Kerns (BK), Robin Swartz (RS), Walter Clark (WC), Tom Mann (TM), Georgina Anderson (GA), Doug Garey (DG), Kate Lambert (KL), and Kris Mann (Secretary)

**Member Discussion Time**

- Wooster Sale Discussion
  - Sue Anderson proposed changing the sale date in order to accommodate the local Amish population.
  - Discussion among members & board.
  - Decision to leave sale date the same- Sunday.

**Minutes**

- Palko and Irvine resignations were approved. Motion by TM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by DG, unanimous approval. GA is to recommend an alternate for her region at the next meeting. WC region will be up for re-election in 2014, so no alternate is needed immediately.
- Review/Approval for Aug. 25, 2013 BOD Attachment A
  - Ammended that KL sent the check from her sale directly to the Junior Association.
- Treasurer Report- Kris Swihart
  - Kris would like to be replaced as she does not feel she has the time needed to fulfill her duties.
  - Copy of the treasurer's report will be attached to the minutes.
  - Kris gave an oral report of funds.
  - GA moved to accept, RS 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous approval.
  - In executive session, BOD accepted Kris' resignation and asked BK to manage the Treasury through May 2014. BK asked that everyone help to find a permanent Treasurer. This discussion was confirmed in a

motion by RS and seconded by DG. It was approved unanimously by the Board.

- Youth Report
  - Lacey Allen was on speaker phone, Jessica Swihart present.
  - Jessica Swihart gave a verbal treasurer report.
  - Futurity- Lacey Allen
    - Points update
    - There are 12 kids participating this year. Some records of whose lambs they bought are missing, will try to recreate this.
    - Need to create a form for breeders to fill out at the sale. Lacey drafted and sent to KKL and BK for review.
    - All futurity nominations are \$25.00 and are non-refundable, no exceptions.
    - KL moved that the Futurity winners be paid out sooner, perhaps in February to allow the kids to have that money in time to re-invest in the next year's sales. WC 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous approval.
- KL new ideas for NTSRI
  - Put out a membership survey to get members views.
  - Set up goals for NTSRI
  - Look @ committee structures
  - RS moved for KL to come up with a survey & bring it back to the board. GA & RS would like to work with KL on this. TM 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous approval.
- TM- policies concerning competing organizations
  - Show options are to have our own show separate from existing venues, pay extra \$ to NTSRI exhibitors, or set premiums and add NTSRI bonus later.
  - Need to address a way to split show venue costs.
  - Registrations will be transferred from competing organizations.
  - No motion made, shelved for further discussion.
  - TM will return to next meeting with plan for discussion.
- GA- Show & Sale Committee
  - We have a short window of time to decide on our policy for Wooster.
  - Discussion- decided to let contract remain the same, all Tunis eligible for show/sale as NTSRI will receive 1% of all sales.
  - WC moved to solidify the contract with Deacon regarding the Wooster sale with same terms. KL 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous approval. BK will ask Troy Staples to finalize the agreement with Banner.

- Discussion on canceling the penalty/fee (\$8) for late payments on NAILE entries. BOD was in favor of this and Show & Sale committee will review and bring back a recommendation to BOD.
- DG- Scholarship
  - There are enough funds for 2 youth scholarships in 2014, Garey Tunis donated \$1000.00 to make a 3<sup>rd</sup> scholarship. BK will organize a note for the December Banner to announce this generous gift. Thank you Garey Tunis from the Board.
  - Committee to look at/ evaluate current process of scholarship selection and; develop a check list for youth points.
  - BK to announce past winners @ today's youth show.
- Publicity
  - BK wrote an article for this issue of Banner.
  - Need for a committee to seek individuals to write articles, which would be submitted to board for approval before publication.
  - TM to speak with Dale Huhnke about NTSRI information for his publication.
  - BOD to reevaluate current advertising after survey results are in.
- TM- Directory
  - Deacon can rerun our current directory @ any time.
  - Discussion on time of year to publish.
  - Discussion on possible other publishers. KL & DG to bring back quotes from other sources.
  - Question to be on survey to members on publication date.
  - No motions/ decisions @ this time.
- Jeff Munsey- Voting Committee Report
  - Surveyed membership on changing current voting of 1 vote per membership to 2 votes per flock. Flock being defined as a registration name that has registered or transferred at least one sheep/ year.
  - Discussion
  - BOD thanked Jeff and his committee for this initiative and requested that this be forwarded to the constitutional committee for consideration in their ongoing review.
- Kathy Niese- Constitutional Review Committee
  - Kathy will forward the voting committee report to the constitutional committee.
  - Committee will report recommended changes at Wooster meeting.

- Election Officer Appointment
  - Regions 1, 3, and the new region 7 will be up for election in 2014. Region 8 will retain TS.
  - In executive session, the BOD agreed to ask Todd Brisco from OH to be the Election Officer. BK reported that Todd accepted after the meeting and BK will work with Todd for orientation.
- Public meeting adjourned. BOD in private session.
  - Next Meeting will be planned for late January or February 2014.