

TEXEL SHEEP BREEDERS SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 1999 at 3:30 p.m.

The Annual Meeting of the Texel Sheep Breeders Society was called to order by President, Paul Nelson, with 14 people in attendance.

The minutes of the first Annual Meeting of June 25, 1998, were read. The minutes were approved as read.

The Financial Report was reported by Secretary, Bonnie Davis. We presently have a balance of \$3,379.36. Gary Onan made a motion to approve the Financial Report. Ron Erdman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Karey Claghorn did not come to give a report. She talked with Paul Nelson and he stated that she felt everything was going good. Gordon Niswender then brought up what a pleasure it has been to work with Karey and Bonnie and what a good job he felt they were doing. Paul Nelson moved that he agreed that things were working out well with Karey and Bonnie and wanted it noted that he appreciated the jobs they were doing. Gordon Niswender seconded the motion. All in attendance agreed by applause.

Bonnie Davis then brought up that we did not receive dues from all the 1998 members and wanted to know for how long they should be put on the membership list and mailings sent to them. It was discussed and everyone agreed that they continue to be put on the list and when the next mailing is sent out to put a reminder that their dues for 1999 have not been paid.

Old Business:

The By-Laws was the next item of business. A copy of the final draft was handed out at the meeting. Paul Nelson thanked Gary Onan for his writing of the By-Laws and Andy Wells for his input into the work of the By-Laws.

New Business:

Advertising Committee: It was discussed that we need to get aggressive with our advertising this year. We have the finances available and it is time that we find different avenues of advertising. Paul

Nelson brought up that he felt that a budgeted amount needs to be tagged for advertising. Gordon Niswender made a motion that the Advertising Committee be budgeted \$2,000.00 for advertising. This would include any banners that might need to be made. It would not include any brochures that we may need additionally printed. Jim Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

We then asked for three volunteers to be on the Advertising Committee. They are as follows:

Betty Rosenau

Ron Luginbuhl

Ron Erdman

Sale Committee: The Sale Committee will decide where next year's sale will be. Since this meeting was held prior to the sale, it could not be discussed how well this year's sale went. People did bring up that they have been pleased with the facilities at Illinois and had no complaints.

We then asked for three volunteers to be on the Sale Committee. They are as follows:

Gordon Niswender

Jim Davis

Jerry Hess

It was brought up that at next year's sale we would like to see some sort of display board with information that will draw people's attention to our breed and educate them.

The loin scanning was discussed. Betty Rosenau made a motion that the loin scanning that was done for the sale be paid by the association. Jim Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OPP was the next item of business. When Texels came into the U.S. they were OPP free. This matter was discussed at great length. It was encouraged that each breeder work at an OPP free flock and the association was not going to take a stand on this issue at this time.

Gary Onan brought up that the British Texel Society is going to donate a premium award of \$1000.00 to the Best Texel Carcass. We thought that this contest could be held in conjunction with the Eastern States Exposition at Springfield, Massachusetts in early September. Gordon Niswender made a motion that the Eastern States Exposition be the location for the Best Texel Carcass Class. Ron Erdman seconded the motion. After some discussion, the motion passed.

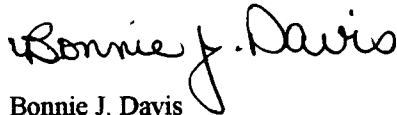
Gary Onan will work with the British Texel Society on the guidelines and Ron Luginbuhl will look into the Eastern States Exposition to see how it can work out.

Andy Wells then made a motion that we renew our membership to the U.S. Sheep Alliance. Ron Erdman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ron Luginbuhl asked for any pictures and information that could be used for advertising.

There being no further business, Jim Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ron Erdman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bonnie J. Davis". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Bonnie J. Davis