

## **Texel Sheep Breeders Society Conference Call Minutes October 18, 2007**

Kerry Richardson declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM CST Secretary Robert Stonerock called the roll with the following present: President: Kerry Richardson, vice president: Bret Taylor, treasurer: Robert Stonerock, directors: Beverly Pearsall, Nikki Fisher, Walter Stubbs and Ron Erdman.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Robert Stonerock distributed the minutes from the July 30, 2007 conference call through an earlier e-mail distribution. Robert Stonerock read minutes at the meeting. No additions or revisions were made. Bret Taylor moved to accept and file the minutes. Seconded by Nikki Fisher. Motion passed. The minutes are accepted and filed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Robert Stonerock reported the following:

- Balance at Peoples Bank July 29, 2007 \$3,154.18
- Deposits since July 29, 2007 (KC): \$1,276.00
- Deposits since July 29, 2007 (RS): \$177.00
- Pay Pal transfers: \$600.00
- Expenses since July 29, 2007: \$2,421.66
- Pay Pal account balance: \$69.72
- Cash Balance as of July 29, 2007: \$2,346.24
- Other anticipated expenses: Univ. of MO \$200.00, Shepherd Mag. \$40.00, Pay Pal MasterCard for TSBS display \$840.00

Walter Stubbs moved to accept and file the treasurer's report. Seconded by Beverly Pearsall. Motion passed. Treasurer's report accepted and approved.

### **TSBS OFFICER ELECTION:**

Kerry turned the floor over to Robert to run the election of officers.

**President:** Robert Stonerock called for nominations for the office of president. Beverly Pearsall nominated Kerry Richardson. Kerry Richardson accepted the nomination. No other nominations came from the floor. Bret Taylor moved to close the nomination. Beverly Pearsall seconded the motion. Kerry Richardson won the office of president by unanimous vote.

**Vice-president:** Robert Stonerock called for nominations for the office of vice-president. Kerry Richardson nominated Bret Taylor. Bret Taylor accepted the nomination. No other nominations came from the floor. Ron Erdman moved to close the nomination. Walter Stubbs seconded the motion. Bret Taylor won the office of vice-president by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer:** Robert Stonerock called for nominations for the office of treasurer. Kerry Richardson nominated Beverly Pearsall. After some discussion, Beverly Pearsall

accepted the nomination. No other nominations came from the floor. Walter Stubbs moved to close the nomination. Nikki Fisher seconded the motion. Beverly Pearsall won the office of treasurer by unanimous vote.

**Secretary:** Robert Stonerock called for nominations for the office of secretary. Kerry Richardson nominated Robert Stonerock. Robert Stonerock accepted the nomination. No other nominations came from the floor. Beverly Pearsall moved to close the nomination. Walter Stubbs seconded the motion. Robert Stonerock won the office of secretary by unanimous vote.

Robert Stonerock reported to president Kerry Richardson that the election of officers was completed and turn the floor back over to Kerry.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **BY-LAWS REVISIONS:**

Beverly Pearsall had distributed revisions to the By-law election procedures. The board discussed the revisions and revised them further. Ron Erdman moved to accept the revisions. Walter Stubbs seconded the motion. Motion passed by a majority vote. Beverly will revise the minutes and forward them to the board again for review. Once the final draft is finished, the secretary will mail the By-laws out to the membership for a vote.

Kerry Richardson will draft a letter to be sent to Bob Adams by certified mail to inform him of the actions taken by the board the issues that he raised in challenging the voting procedures in the most recent election.

### **REGISTRATION PERCENTAGES:**

Kerry brought the issue of percentages on the registration papers again. The consensus of the board was to remove the percentages from all future recorded and registered pedigrees. In some cases, the percentages were found to be incorrect and it was easier to stop using percentages rather than sending the papers back to the registrar for correction. Ron Erdman moved to remove the percentages from all registration papers. Robert Stonerock seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote and was accepted and filed.

### **TSBS FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR THE CPA:**

Kerry said that Trena Grabowski needed the financial records (bank statements and check book ledger) for TSBS from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007. She needs the records in order prepare another tax return to the IRS.

## **TSBS DISPLAY:**

Robert Stonerock reported that the new TSBS display has been received and was used in Middletown, Ohio for the International Festival celebrating Holland. He displayed two Texel ewes along with the TSBS display, which held many photos of Texel sheep. Approximately 20 TSBS brochures were passed out. A few people expressed an interest in purchasing Texels, one from Ohio and one from Tennessee. Contacts were made with Dutch artisans from Pella, Iowa and Holland, Michigan. Both groups expressed an interest in the possibility of putting some Texel sheep on display at their local festivals. The new TSBS display case could be shipped to the TSBS member who is willing to attend the festival.

## **LAMBPLAN:**

TSBS is enrolled in Lambplan. No new updates as to who may be enrolled in the program.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **TSBS BUSINESS ADDRESS AND POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE ASSOCIATION:**

Reviewed the reasons why the TSBS business office was moved to Karey Claghorn's business address. Robert Stonerock informed the board of one instance where a bill was not forwarded to the treasurer in a timely fashion causing TSBS to pay late fees. TSBS had their articles of incorporation cancelled by the Iowa Secretary of State's Office due to the non-filing of the Biennial Report. The Secretary of State said that they had sent several letters to TSBS but they heard no response. The letters were never forwarded on to the secretary or the agent Bret Taylor. Kerry said that inquiries about Texels that were directed to Karey Claghorn failed to meet the expectations of the TSBS. After some discussion by the board, it was decided that Karey Claghorn would remain the registrar only. All inquiries would be directed to Robert Stonerock. Karey's name would be pulled from all TSBS ads.

### **TSBS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:**

Bret Taylor updated the board about the biannual report that he filed with the Iowa Secretary of State's Office. Bret changed the corporate address of the TSBS to his home address to insure that all future mail from the Iowa Secretary of State's Office is delivered to him. For the reasons stated in the previous paragraph, the board supported the decision to change the corporate address.

### **TSBS BUSINESS CARD SIZE ADS IN SHEEP MAGAZINES:**

Kerry discussed whether a business card sized ad should be placed in the sheep magazines. The ad rates would need to be researched before the board could comment any further on the issue. Walter Stubbs agreed to research the ad rates with several of the sheep magazines.

### **2008 TSBS NATIONAL TEXEL SHOW:**

Kerry recommended to the Board of Directors to consider moving the TSBS banquet to Monday evening. Tuesday evening could be spent attending Larry Mead's cheese & wine tasting at the fairgrounds.

### **TEXEL TIMES:**

Kerry asked for volunteers to put together the TEXEL TIMES. Walter Stubbs volunteered to do the newsletter. Robert Stonerock will help Walter to learn how to use the Post Digital method of assembling and mailing the newsletter.

### **WEB PAGE UPDATES:**

Kerry said that as part of dividing up the workload, that he would be responsible for the TSBS web page updates. This would free Robert up to work on other tasks.

### **CORNELL UNIVERSITY SHEEP & GOAT SYMPOSIUM:**

Robert Stonerock said that he had registered TSBS as a "Bronze Sponsor" for the Cornell University Sheep & Goat Symposium in Ithaca, NY. This would be a great opportunity to put up the new TSBS display case, hand out brochures and to promote the Texel breed in New York State. Robert had already written a personal \$100.00 check to cover the sponsorship. Ron Erdman moved that TSBS participate as a Bronze Sponsor for the symposium. Bret Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **TSBS STARTER FLOCK:**

Ron Erdman spoke about some ideas that he had about the starter flock for the youth. He had distributed through e-mail his ideas. Kerry asked if he had met with anyone on the committee. Ron said that he had not but anticipated doing so in the near future. Ron will further develop the starter flock concept and keep the board informed as to the committee's progress.

### **PREMIER GLOBAL CONFERENCE CALLING:**

Kerry asked Robert to contact Premier Global about a "Listen Only" telephone number for the membership at large.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting is December 20, 2007 at 7:00 PM CST.

Walter Stubbs moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bret Taylor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

*Robert A. Stonerock*  
*Secretary*