

MINUTES
TSBS
JANUARY 21, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. C.S.T. By Vice-President, Bret Taylor. President, Kerry Richardson was unable to attend this evenings' meeting.

Members present: Bret Taylor, Niki Fisher, Beverly Pearsall, Walter Stubbs, Ron Erdman, Charles Wray

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Niki had emailed each board member a copy of the secretary's report. It had been read previously to the meeting by all. Walt made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as written. Bev seconded the motion. The Secretary's Report was accepted as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bev had also emailed each member a copy of the Treasurer's Report prior to the meeting. Walt moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Ron seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report is accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

SCANNER NATIONAL SHOW

Charlie had been in contact with Gary Onan about scanning at the National Show and Sale in Sedalia. Gary says that he would be willing to do the scanning for the \$300.00 offered. Charlie will confirm the dates and time with Gary.

GUEST SPEAKER NATIONAL SHOW

Since Gary Onan will already be in Sedalia, Charlie said that he would be willing to ask him if he would be interested in being the Guest Speaker for the TSBS Banquet, Monday evening, June 21, 2010.

Walt then suggested that he would like to ask Guy Flora, the editor of *The Shepherd* magazine if he would be interested in being the speaker. After some discussion, it was agreed that Walt would contact Mr. Flora and if he is not interested, then Charlie would contact Gary Onan.

JUDGES SCORECARD

Changes to the language on the submitted Judges' Scorecard were:

GENERAL APPEARANCE:

Strike 'Mature' from both the ram and ewe height sentences.
Change the wording to: Rams should not normally exceed 34" at the shoulder in height. And, Ewes should not normally exceed 30" in height at the shoulder.

Ad: Approximate weights for yearling rams 200-250 lbs.
Approximate weights for yearling ewes 170-200 lbs.

HEAD:

Strike 'Strong triangular head'

BACK, LOIN AND RUMP:

Strike 'ultrasound evaluation preferred. After some discussion, it was decided that this should be deleted from both the Judges' Scorecard, and, if in the future, Breed Standards are put together, it should not be included there either.

SERIOUS DEFECTS:

Strike 'Wrinkles on body.'

DISQUALIFICATIONS

Strike 'Dewlaps on neck' and 'Short dock less than 1” on adult sheep.'

Charlie moved to accept the scorecard with the deletions and additions noted. Bev seconded the motions. The revisions were accepted.

OPP LANGUAGE:

Charlie had submitted, via email, language concerning OPP testing for the National Show and Sale entries. Each board member had read the email, and it was decided to make 1 change in the OPP requirements. The new language is: Lambs under 6 months of age need to have a (-) OPP test from the lamb's dam. Lambs over 6 months of age need their own (-) OPP test result.

Niki will forward the OPP regulations to Larry Mead, ASAP, to be included in the 2010 Stud Ram Sale Catalog.

Walt moved to accept the OPP language with the above changes. Niki seconded the motion. The motion passed.

MEMBERS INFORMATION ON THE WEB-SITE

The information Bev receives from AHSA doesn't have all the information needed to update the members' web-sites on the TSBS Web-site.

Would it be better to send each new member a form for them to fill out and return with the information that they would like included on the Members Directory concerning their flocks?

Walt is willing to create a PDF file and send it to Carol once a month so she can update the web-site.

Walt is also going to talk with Kerry Richardson and see if he has spoken with Karey Claghorn about

forwarding the information from the members when they renew or join TSBS.

Bev would like to have this resolved before March 1, 2010, so that all members, regardless of whether or not they have joined TSBS by March will be listed on the web-site; either on the Members Directory or on the PDF file for those who have joined after March 1 of any given year.

NEW BUSINESS

LAMB PLAN

Ron reported that ASI is working to have Lambplan to take over the processing of the data for NISP. Dave Knotter is retiring and will no longer be in charge of processing the Lambplan data. This will greatly improve the service, with processing available monthly instead of only once a year. In addition, more traits will be available with a lot more research and experience to support the program. This has not been officially announced yet; but should be within the next 2-3 weeks.

UPCOMING AD:

Walt had forwarded the ad he has been working on to the board members in a PDF file before the meeting. He had made the photo bigger and the logo smaller which drew the eye to the ad, more quickly than the larger logo does.

Bev was wondering if it would be possible to include photos of ewes and/or wording promoting ewes in future ads. This is all possible.

Walt says that a 1/6th page ad in both *The Shepherd* and *sheep!* Would cost approximately \$200.00 to \$240.00 for the next issues. The ad needs to be submitted by February 1, 2010 to make the next issue.

Niki moved to accept the new ad as Walt presented it. Bev seconded the motion. The motion passed.

NATIONAL SHOW:

A block of 10 rooms at the Best Western in Sedalia has been reserved for TSBS exhibitors.

Niki will make reservations at the Best Western for the banquet room to have our Annual Banquet and meeting following the banquet. Also, she will reserve the same room for the executive meeting the next morning.

The banquet will be Monday, June 21, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. C.S.T. With the annual meeting to follow. Tuesday morning, at 10:00 a.m. C.S.T. Will be the executive meeting.

Walt will put the phone numbers of all the hotels/motels in Sedalia in the next issue of the *TEXEL TIMES* for those members who might not get a room at the Best Western. Along with this, he will include the new OPP Language; a copy of the new ad; and the Judges' Scorecard.

Charlie will call the exhibitors and remind them of what is needed for their entries, hopefully this will keep exhibitors from showing up with incomplete paperwork to be able to show and sale their animals.

Bret will apply for a credit card through Pay Pal to be used to cover the costs of the banquet and whatever else might be needed during the National Show.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Kerry and Bev will be going off the board this July. These 2 positions will need to be filled. The call for nominations will be going out to the membership mid April.

THANK YOU CARD

It was suggested that a card of thanks be sent to Bob Adams and Karin Watson for their hard work in putting together the Judges Scorecard recommendations. Bret will contact Kerry and talk with him about this.

PREMIER GLOBAL

Bev has been in contact with Premier Global and has learned that we do not have to close and reopen our account with them since Robert is no longer the contact person there. Bret is to be the new contact person.

IRS

Trenna Grabowski is retiring from accounting. She has recommended moving the TSBS account to:
Aldag & Assoc
2417 Old Union Rd
Mt. Vernon IL 62872

Ron moved to accept Trenna's recommendation. Walt seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Bret will talk with Kerry as to when the next meeting will be held.

Walt moved to adjourn the meeting. Niki seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. C.S.T.

*Respectively submitted by,
Niki Fisher
TSBS Secretary*