

A teleconference board meeting of the Texel Sheep Breeders Society was called to order by President Aynn Lackey on 1/17/05 at 6:15pm PST. Tammy Weaver and Bob Adams were in attendance. A quorum was established.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were read. There were no corrections and the minutes were accepted.

The next item on the agenda was a report from the Finance Committee. A budget previously developed by this committee was presented. There was discussion regarding the expenses for national show awards and ultrasound costs. The budget included expenses from last year since they were not paid until after the end of the fiscal year (6/30/05) but also includes expenses for these items projected in 2005. This clarification was offered for the amount of expense projected for this item. There was also discussion regarding the Google advertising (pay per click) cost, advertising cost in general, and ASI membership. Julie is to scale back the expenses allotted for Google pay per click cost by implementing a max amount that TSBS will spend on a monthly basis. There was also discussion regarding where we place ads for the national sale. More investigation is to be done by board members on where we are getting the most for our advertising dollar. The board voted not to join ASI this year due to the amount of funds required. It was felt that this \$300 expense may be diverted to the development of our new breed standard and associated media that may be developed along with it.

A report was given by Bob Adams from the breed standards committee. The committee provided the board with a rough draft of their recommendations. The board felt as though this was a good place to start. Bob will send a letter out to everyone on the committee stating that there are a few more places that the board would like to see more specificity. A possible point system was also discussed.

The junior show was discussed. Julie is to get a letter to Larry Mead letting him know that we would like for Larry Mrorzinski to judge the junior show since he was already selected by the show and sale committee (Meads) to be our open show judge. Adding a wether class to the junior show was also discussed. It was felt that this was a good idea as long as a percentage texel requirement was set forth.

Both Dave Albert and Jim Davis's request for funds for Junior Show events were discussed by the Board. The Board felt that our limited Junior Budget would be best spent by promoting our own TSBS National Junior Show. In the future when funds permit, and we have more commitment from our Junior membership, the Board would be open to broadening our monetary support for other Junior events. Aynn will contact both Dave and Jim on the Boards decision.

National show awards were discussed. Tammy will again be in charge of obtaining special awards. Nice comments were received on last years prizes so we will again be obtaining something similar. The loin eye award was talked about briefly. Whether or not we want to continue to give an award to the largest loineye and how that measurement is determined has been tossed around in conversation during meetings. No

decisions to change how this award is given was implemented during this meeting but some criteria will be developed and forwarded to directors for the next board meeting. Julie was also instructed to throw this topic out on the chat group for input from members.

Aynn was going to get in touch with Rob Morris on lining up our Loineye Scanner Tech and also to arrange for the use of a scale. She was also going to ask Rob to secure a block of rooms at the Best Western for consignors and buyers during the week of the show.

The board discussed whether to allow commercial or percentage females at the National Sale. Based on input gathered from members, the board decided at this time to not allow any percentage ewes or rams to be entered in the show or sale.

The board briefly discussed the banquet arrangements from last year. It was felt that the structure we had was satisfactory so Tammy Weaver will contact the hotel in regard to this matter and work with them on arrangements for 2005. Suggestions for a guest speaker will also be sought.

The Project overview and specifications from the Dubois Research Station were received by the Board. A cover letter was reviewed and Julie will be sending out all of the project information to the TSBS membership in the next few days.

Tracy Koskela of Washington who bought out Silver Rose Texels is seeking to be able to still use the name of Silver Rose on their registrations. This matter needs to be discussed with Karey's office but it was Julie's understanding that each entity had a separate and identifiable prefix. It was suggested that perhaps they use the abbreviation of SRT or something along that order to delineate those ewes that were bred and owned by the original owners of Silver Rose and those that are bred by the Koskelas. This would meet Karey Claghorn's requirement. As far as them using the name Silver Rose in connection with their business, the board has no jurisdiction over that matter.

With no further business, the board meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm PST.