

In attendance

Jozi Best – Region 1
Marianne Turcheck – Region 3
Kathy Niese, Vice President – Region 4
Tammy Westcott – Region 6
Lynn Murry, President – Region 7

Russ Johnson, Executive Secretary, guest
Rich Schambow, NAILE co-Superintendent, guest
Sue Anderson, NAILE co-Superintendent, guest

Absent

John Vogel – Region 8
Laureen Howe – Region 2
Peyton Fair – Region 5

Mr. Murry called the NTSRI BOD meeting to order at 8:02pm EST

1. Mr. Johnson reviewed the meeting minutes from November 10, 2017 NTSRI Board of Directors meeting at NAILE.
Mrs. Best moved to accept the minutes as presented. Mrs. Westcott seconded. Motion passed
2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Bill Kerns did not have a treasurer's report at the time of the meeting
 - b. It was reported that a 2018 budget should be forthcoming
 - c. There was discussion around making the financial statements/information more "user friendly". Mrs. Niese suggested that we reach out to Nathan Vandebroek (NTSRI member who works in finance) to see if he would be able to assist. Mr. Johnson will be reaching out to Mr. Vandebroek to start this process.
 - d. Mr. Kerns is waiting on the youth futurity info from Peyton Fair to process the payments to those youth who participated. Mr. Johnson will follow up with Mrs. Fair.
3. NTJA – No report
4. NAILE Update
 - a. Mrs. Anderson gave an update from the shows at 2017 NAILE Junior and Open shows
 - i. Jr. Show had 29 exhibitors, 112 sheep shown
 - ii. Open Show had 40 exhibitors with 209 sheep show
 - iii. 27 of the 112 junior show sheep placed outside premiums paid by NAILE. Mrs. Anderson is working on determining what premium NTSRI will pay out to those 27 entries
 - iv. The above numbers represent exhibitors and sheep that were shown
 - b. There will be a Show and Sale Committee conference call meeting the week of January 21, 2018. Please contact Mrs. Anderson or Mrs. Niese if you would like to be involved and what days/times would work for you.
 - c. Stars of Louisville Sale
 - i. Mrs. Anderson was disappointed that there were not more bred ewes in the sale

- ii. Mrs. Anderson also didn't know why the minimum bid was \$300 and not \$250
 - d. Mr. Schambow had some additional comments
 - i. It was suggested to him that in the Junior Show that the yearling ewe classes be split after the sheep are checked in. This would allow the classes to be uniform in size
 - ii. Currently in the slick shorn ewe lamb class, fall ewes show against spring ewes. The suggestion was to have the slick shorn fall ewes show in a combined fall (fitted and slick) class. When selecting a champion slick ewe, just have the highest 2 slick shorn ewes be lined up for the Slick Shorn Champion Drive.
 - iii. Mr. Schambow also encouraged anyone who had suggestions on how to make the NAILE Sheep Show better to contact him and he will pass those suggestions along.
 - e. Judges for 2018 NAILE Tunis show are as follows
 - i. 1st choice – John Morzinski
 - ii. 2nd – Eric Bruns
 - iii. 3rd – Jeff Held
- 5. Committee Reports
 - a. Show and Sale Committee
 - i. The upcoming committee will discuss NAILE Jr Show premiums, MWSRS ribbons and the logistics on getting banners to the National Sale, Red Hot Tunis Sale at the 2018 Great Lakes Sale
 - b. Election Committee
 - i. Mr. Johnson reported that Mrs. Westcott volunteered to assist as the election officer. Mrs. Niese had sent the election information out via email on 1/9/2018.
 - c. Mrs. Turcheck reported that a crown and sash had been purchased and sent to Kylie Schakel for her to wear as the 2018 National Tunis Queen. Mrs. Turcheck graciously donated the crown and sash. Mrs. Best officially thanked Mrs. Turcheck for her donation.
- 6. Old Business
 - a. ATR – NTSRI merger
 - i. ATR has given their members until January 31, 2018 to consider the proposal from NTARI
 - b. NTSTI Queen discussion.
 - i. Mrs. Turcheck moved to request there be a line item in the 2018 budget to purchase a crown and sash for the 2019 National Tunis Queen. Mrs. Best seconded. Motion passed
 - c. Proxy privileges
 - i. There was discussion around what privileges Proxy delegates have when representing a NTSRI Director at a NTSRI meeting.
 - ii. Mrs. Best moved to have a roll call vote to poll the Directors on the call to see if they agree that the Proxy has the full authority, of the Board member they are representing, to do the business of the NTSRI. This would include, but not limited to, voting, commenting, nominating as appropriate during the meeting. Mrs. Niese seconded. Motion passed
 - 1. Roll Call vote. Mrs. Westcott – yes, Mrs. Turcheck – yes, Mrs. Best – yes, Mrs. Niese – yes, Mr. Murry – yes

- iii. Mrs. Westcott moved that there be a committee formed to review the NTSRI constitution and be appointed by the President of NTSRI. Mrs. Turcheck seconded. Motion passed

7. New Business

- a. Stars of Louisville Sale
 - i. There was additional discussion about the minimum bid of \$300
 - ii. The consensus from the group was that a 2018 Stars of Louisville sale would be planned.
- b. Deadline for the NTSRI newsletter is January 20, 2018. Please submit your reports to Mrs. Niese by the 20th.

The next meeting will be February 19, 2018 at 8:00pm Eastern time.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Johnson
NTSRI Executive Secretary