

NTSRI BOD Conference Call Draft Minutes

Meeting Date: 25 August 2013 – 7PM EDT

Issue Date:

Attendees

Bill Kerns (BK), Tom Mann (TM), Sheri Palko (SP), Doug Garey (DG), and Alternates Troy Staples (TS), Kathy Niese (KN), Kate Lambert, (KL)

Other attendees: Linda Whitenack and Sue Anderson

Absent: Robin Swartz, Eric Irvine, and Tammie Serafin

The meeting was called to order shortly after 7:00 pm EDT

Members Discussion Time: 2 members sent requests for discussion.

1. Ann Marie Charest was to discuss whether NEYSS should have double points for futurity, but she was unable to attend the meeting. This discussion was postponed and the BOD will ask Lacey Allen to investigate and be prepared to review at NAILE.

2. Sue Anderson was approached by a member of the Montadale breed to discuss moving the Wooster sale to Saturday or Monday. The reason given was that there is a large Amish community in the Wooster area and moving the sale day would allow Amish buyers to attend the sale and buy sheep. They do not attend the show now since they do not do business on Sunday. After a lengthy discussion the BOD did not feel moving the sale would be beneficial to the members who travel in and out of Wooster. The Show and Sale schedule as it stands provides consignors and buyers the opportunity to arrive on Friday after work if necessary, and return home on Sunday. A final discussion will take place at the members meeting in NAILE when the BOD will vote on the topic.

BOD Agenda

1. A motion to approve the draft minutes from the 2013 BOD meeting at Wooster was made by Tom Mann, and 2nd by Doug G. minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Treasurer Report was presented by Bill K. Kris Swihart was not available to give the report. The motion to approve treasurers report was made by Doug G. and 2nd by Tam Mann; treasurer's report was unanimously approved. Bill reported that the treasury is now 100% transferred to Kris Swihart.

3. Youth Committee report, no members from the youth committee were present to report. Bill K. reported that Dan Erwin will be mailing the Futurity

checks very soon. Kate Lambert mailed her check in the amount of \$572.00 from her online sale direct to the NTJA. Thank you Kate.

Bill also commented that he would talk to Lacey about developing a Futurity SOP.

Doug Garey will oversee the Scholarship committee with Kate Lambert and Richard Schambow Jr. moving forward. The committee will develop an SOP for Scholarship rules, implementation and distribution. The committee will also report at NAILE the budget for scholarships in 2014.

4. Sheri Palko and Tom Mann have been working on policy for managing situations with competing organizations. They will meet at NAILE to discuss the options for managing NTSRI sponsored open and youth shows as well as develop policies for transferring sheep with non-NTSRI papers to NTSRI. Sheri will work on a piece to define how membership in the other organization will effect participation in NTSRI. They will review new policies with Richard Schambow Jr. and Kate Lambert, since both of these breeders have been involved with breeds that have 2 registries.

5. Bill thanked Eric Irvine for his time spent as the chairman on the NTSRI Show/Sale Committee. Eric has stepped down from his position as Chair of the Show and Sale Committee, and Troy Staples has agreed to fill the position as Show and Sale Committee Chairman. Troy will work with volunteers to plan the Stars of Louisville Sale. The Stars of Louisville form is posted on the website and will be in the newsletter. Bill will work with Troy S. to update the SOP for the Show and Sale Committee.

a) Sue Anderson has been working with the people at NAILE to split classes equally and to provide additional premiums for the show.

Troy S. will work with Sue to ensure any issues at the show will be handled well.

b) Bill will work with Sue and NAILE off-line to address member concerns on class divisions.

c) A lengthy discussion of the published Special Rules in the NAILE book was held. It was decided that Tom Mann would work with Sue and her goal to pay premiums farther down in the class and Bill will work with NAILE on the management of class splits.

d) Future implementation of class divisions and premium schedules at NAILE should be discussed with the Show and Sale Committee.

e) Troy S. will follow up on upcoming Shows and Sales and talk about them in NAILE.

f) Troy will discuss plans and venues for the 2014 and 2015 National Shows and Sales at NAILE.

7. Associated Registry: Bill K. will sign NTSRI Contract with Associated Registry. AR will continue to register sheep for NTSRI. Transaction fee

increased from \$2.85 to \$3.00 (about 5%) A motion to approve increase was made by Doug G. and 2nd by Sheri P. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Redistricting Decision: All board members present reported no adverse responses thus far from members on the new Districting proposal that has been discussed since 1Q13. Proposal: :

- Region 1, currently has 62 members (55 farms); consider assigning members from Eastern Canada (7) to Region 2. This will leave 55 members in Region 1
- Region 2 currently has 47 members; if the members from Eastern Canada (7) are moved to Region 2, then Region 2 will have 52 members
- Region 7, has 79 members; consider dividing this region in half from North to South, create a New Region 7 (WI, MN, IA, MO, AR, LO, ND, SD, NB, KS, OK) with 42 members
- New Region 8 (MT, WY, CO, NM, TX, ID, UT, AZ, WA, OR, NV, CA, Western Canada) will have 37 members

A motion to approve the proposed regional divisions was made by Doug G. and 2nd by Tom Mann. Roll Call Vote was held: Doug G. yes; Tom M. yes; Sheri P. yes; Kate L. (Alternate for Region 7) yes; Bill K. yes. The motion was passed unanimously. Member distribution as of 1 July 2013 is noted below for the new distribution.

- o Region 1-55
- o Region 2-52
- o Region 3-52
- o Region 4-44
- o Region 5-44
- o Region 6-52
- o Region 7-42
- o Region 8-37

- a) Tammie Serafin will become the new Region 8 director until the next election for that region.
- b) Elections for Region seven will begin in January and conclude in April. (The election officer will conduct elections in 3 regions next year)
- c) The new Region and Director will begin operating after the BOD meeting in Wooster 2014.

9. Publicity/Advertisement-Tammie Serafin, Committee Chairman no report was forwarded for presentation. Sheri Palko has agreed to work on this

committee with Tammie. Sheri will work with Tammie to solicit member articles for Banner, Sheep, and other magazine information articles.

10. Directory-Tom Mann

- a) Bill recognized Tom for working with Greg Deakin to pull NTSRI directory information together.
- b) Discussion of publication frequency, and date for NTSRI directory was held. Tom will discuss with Greg Deakin his opinion on an every other year publication schedule.
- c) Consensus was to publish the Directory in the Fall
- d) Final recommendations and decision at NAILE

11. A committee to review the NTSRI constitution was appointed. Richard Schambow Jr, Kelly Stumpe and Kathy Niese will work together on this committee. They will solicit an additional member if needed. BOD expects a track change document to review at Wooster of proposed changes. Bill sent info to the group from the last Constitution review in 2008.

12. The BOD will meet in a closed session to discuss resumes for the Breed Secretary Position on Sunday September 15, 2013 7:00 pm. The meeting will last for 1 hour.

Resumes were submitted by Lisa Knight, Kris Mann, and Kathy Niese.

PMN: The meeting was attended by Bill and Sheri. Kris Mann will be the new Breed Secretary and Kathy Niese will continue as the Newsletter Editor.

14. A motion to Adjourn was made by Tom and 2nd by Doug. Meeting was adjourned.