

MINUTES
TSBS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 25, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm est by President Judy St. Leger.

Board Members present: Judy St. Leger, Fred Hemmerly, Harold Dunn, Mike Bokelman, Rachael Gately, and Niki Fisher. James Oller was unable to attend this meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike had sent his report via email and the TSBS balance as of January 24, 2017 was \$14,529.32. Mike reports that a check for \$900.00 was sent to RISE as a part of the cost to re-make the website today.

Judy moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written. Niki seconded the motion. Treasurer's Report accepted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Niki had also sent her report via email and all had had a chance to read it. As there were no revisions needed, Fred made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as written and Rachael seconded this motion. Secretary's Report was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Web-site Update

The contract has been signed with the RISE Group and they plan to have the work completed on the revision of the website completed in 30-60 days.

Start-up Grant

Niki had sent an email to both Robert Stonerock and Blake Campbell to follow up on the request for help in getting an Ohio Texel Group going so that Texels could be sold at the Ohio Sale this year, and has not heard back from them. Judy will try to contact them and see what's what.

Breed Standards

Mike had sent copies of the latest Breed Standards along with copies of the Canadian Sheep Breeders standards for Texels and what the standards are for Texels at the Indiana State Fair just to have some comparisons to look over.

After some discussion, it was decided that this would be revisited at the next meeting more in depth. And decide then what, if anything, needs to be changed.

The Texel history and TEXEL TIMES were also discussed. It would be nice to have a history of how the Texels came to be in the United States up on the new website. And the next edition of the TEXEL TIMES will be published soon.

NEW BUSINESS

Sedalia: Niki has made the reservations at the State Fair Best Western in Sedalia, MO for the room to hold the Annual Banquet and meeting in, along with blocking 10 rooms for Texel breeder who wish to attend the National Texel Show and Sale in June.

Ohio: Rachael shared that the Big Ohio Sale will be held in May at the Preble County Fairgrounds in Eaton, Ohio and that this will be the first time Texels will be involved.

ASI: Judy would like to see the ASI including the Texels in with the other terminal sire breeds. Not knowing how this might be accomplished, she is going to get more information from ASI and

pass it along to the Board Members so that we can revisit this at a later date.

Vendors

The TSBS has been approached by vendors wanting to have their products promoted by the Association. There was some discussion as to how this might be handled so that the TSBS Membership would not be overwhelmed with advertisers. We will come back to this at the next meeting.

Harold asked if there would be a way to have a Store on the new website that would offer Texel products for people to purchase as there isn't anything readily available on the market now. Something to think about.

Spring Co-op Ad

It was decided to have a co-op ad featured in the May/June issue of *sheep!* Magazine and the May issue of the SHEPHERD magazine. The total cost to have an ad in each publication would be \$100.00 with an April 1, 2017 deadline. The number of Members participating will determine the size of the ad. Rachael will be the gatherer of information and will forward the money onto Mike for deposit.

Niki will send this information out to the Membership.

There was no further discussion and Mike moved to adjourn the meeting and Rachael seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm est

Respectfully submitted by,
Niki Fisher
TSBS Secretary