

TEXEL SHEEP BREEDERS SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 25, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm, edt, by President James Oller.

Members Present: James Oller, Niki Fisher, Harold Dunn, Mike Bokelman, Brady Campbell. Rachael Gately had contacted James to let him know that she would be unable to attend. Don Heller was absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike stated that the current bank balance for the TSBS is \$14,292.92. He then gave an overview on how the spread sheet is set up and how it works so that the new directors know what's-what.

James asked if the \$2500.00 earmarked for WVU had been paid. Mike had not been at the Annual Meeting so did not know this needed to be done. Niki will send Mike a copy of the Annual Minutes and he will then pay this.

Niki made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carries.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Niki had emailed everyone a copy of the Secretary's Report. After review, Brady moved to accept the Secretary's Report as written and Harold seconded the motion. Report accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Work

Last year's Board had set up 4 committees with a Board Member heading each one.

NSIP: Harold Dunn, Charlie Wray and Don Heller are serving on this.

Shows & Sales: Rachael Gately heads this committee.

Communications: Mike Bokelman and Niki Fisher.

Semen Imports/Breed Standards: James Oller

James would like to see more members participating on these committees. And, to have quarterly meetings to give feedback as to how things are moving along in each.

Breed Standards: Mike has been working to make the Texel breed standards/Judges scorecard as concise and simple as possible. The goal is to have any venue where Texel sheep are participating have the same criteria. This would go a long way to help make sure Texels remain consistent across the country.

Tail Docking: James would like to table this until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Big Ohio Show and Sale

Brady said that he would like to take on this new-to-Textels show and sale. Last year was the first Big Ohio for the Texel breed and there was quite a bit of interest from those attending. Brady has spoken with Greg Deakin about letting the Textels have a show within the show and call it the Eastern Regional Texel Show. Greg is willing to help with advertising and promotion to make this happen. Since there isn't an Ohio Texel Association, 2% of the proceeds will come into the TSBS treasury.

Advertising

Mike has been contacted by Sue Lapcewich, the new advertising person for COUNTRYSIDE publications. Sue would like to assist the TSB with marketing and advertising strategies to help promote the Texel breed.

Sue is going to send some samples to Mike and he'll be back in touch with the Board.

Harold was wondering if we get reports from the Registrar's Office letting us know how where our Registrations are this year as to compared to last. Are we making progress as a breed or remaining stagnate? James said that he would check with Jeff at the Registry and see if this can be done.

Goals for the 2017-2018 BOD

James is tabling this until the next meeting when all Directors will be in attendance.

Registered/Recorded Animals

There is some confusion as to when a sheep in the Upgrade program moves from Recorded status to Registered. James will speak with Jeff about this and see how it might be made more 'user friendly.'

Jeff had contacted James concerning online Registrations. These don't breakdown as to what each sheep costs the breeder to register. (Categories & ages)

This is something that Jonathan, the TSBS webmaster, will have to be re-worked on the TSBS website.

James will contact Jonathan to see what the cost of doing this will be and get back with the rest of the Board.

Meetings are going to be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 29, 2017.

As there was no further discussion, Harold moved to adjourn the meeting and Mike seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm, edt.

Respectively submitted by,
Niki Fisher
TSBS Secretary