

Texel Sheep Breeders Society
Board of Directors Meeting
June 28, 2020

The May meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm, edt, by President Brady Campbell.

Members Present: James Oller, Ron Wilcox, Niki Fisher, Brady Campbell, Austin Brown, Don Heller. Walt Threlfall was absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Austin had emailed out the Treasurer's Report prior to the meeting. All had been able to look at it. Austin asked Ron if he would check with AAJS and see if the \$800.00 entry fees and monies contributed for sponsorships would be held over until next year's show or if they will be refunded now. Ron will check on this and report back the next meeting.

Niki moved to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted and Ron seconded the motion. Treasurer's Report accepted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Niki had also sent her April 23, 2020 report via email. There were no additions or corrections noted. James moved to accept the Secretary's Report as submitted. Brady seconded the motion. Secretary's Report accepted.

May 7, 2020 Executive Meeting had also been sent out for the Board to read. Austin moved to accept the Executive Meeting Minutes as submitted. James seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Logo design - James

James has not been able to connect with Thiesen Designs, but will meet with Jessica tomorrow and report back at the next meeting.

AAJS - Ron

Due to the Covid-19 virus, the All American Junior Show has been cancelled for 2020. Ron had forwarded the announcement from the AAJS people to the Board. Niki will forward it onto the Membership so all will be aware of this cancellation.

On-line Texel Sale

Brady reports that he has received quite a few requests for entry information for the upcoming Texel Sale that will be featured by Breeders World online June 15, 2020. Saturday, May 30th is the deadline for entries. Brady will have the entries + photos to Breeders World early next week.

There will be a 10% commission taken from the sales. Six percent going to Breeders World and four percent coming back to the TSBS treasury.

As soon as the consignments are posted, Brady asks that all share on social media (all types) so that there will be a good turn out for the auction.

NEW BUSINESS

Reimburse Dues

A Texel breeder from Wisconsin who had quit raising Texel sheep had sent an email asking if the \$25.00 amount for their yearly dues could be refunded?

After some discussion, James moved that the TSBS not refund yearly dues to those who stop raising Texel sheep. If the breeder has a credit balance with the Associated Registry, that amount would be refunded. Brady seconded the motion. No refunds will be given on dues when a breeder is no longer raising Texel sheep.

2019 Futurity Winner

There were five Junior members who had taken part in the 2019 Futurity contest. Brady would like someone to contact these five and have them send a photo of themselves with their Futurity animal that will be displayed online as these young breeders are recognized for all their hard work and the winners announced. James said that he would be the contact person for this.

2020 Futurity Program

Both yearling ewes and ewe lambs are still eligible to be nominated as Futurity animals for 2020. An exception that will be made for this year given the unique circumstances is that our 2020 program will be put on hold. Therefore, ewe lambs purchased in 2020 will be eligible for the 2021 Futurity program and be shown as yearling ewes. For those yearling ewes purchased in 2020, these ewes may be bred and their ewe lambs will be eligible for the 2021 Futurity program. Given that we are not amongst a global pandemic in 2021, all Futurity program rules will resume back to normal

2020 Annual Meeting

Since we will not be meeting in Sedalia this year, our Annual meeting will have to be held a bit differently. Having it via a Zoom Meeting was suggested. Anyone with internet or phone could access the meeting. Brady suggests an Open Forum Program with a slide show presentation that shows what's been going on in the Texel world the past few years. By holding the meeting this way, members can have their computers opened and see the others attending. This will make it more personal for all watching. If members are not able to join the Zoom meeting, then it can be recorded and emailed for viewing.

Austin suggests: The two committees, an advertising committee and a youth committee.

The youth committee could work on things such as a scholarship, futurity program, All-American Junior Show, and other youth involvement activities.

The Advertising committee would work with the allotted budget that we have approved every year to go out and allocate those funds appropriately to promote the breed. This would help serve as quality control to ensure that we have high quality ads being distributed.

June 2020 Meeting suggestions

- Announce Futurity winners
- Update on logo and apparel
- 2020 Futurity plans
- AAJS 2021 update

Photo Judging Contest

Austin has created an online Photo Judging Contest that can be used as another advertising tool. It would be published on the TSBS Facebook page and those interested can place their votes there. Two winners will be announced each receiving \$50.00.

Austin moves that we have an online Photo Judging Contest with the closing date for entries June 24, 2020. The winners will receive a \$50.00 prize. Ron seconded this motion. Motion accepted.

TEXEL TIMES

There had been a July 15, 2020 deadline for articles to be submitted for the next issue of the TEXEL TIMES. Since most of the shows/sales/fairs across the U.S. have been cancelled this year, the plan is to see if the Membership attending the Zoom Annual Meeting would like to help by submitting articles/news for the next issue.

Conference calls vs Zoom Meetings

Since the past three Zoom meetings have gone fairly smoothly, Brady asks if the Board would like to continue with this way of having our meetings or go with the conference calls via telephone like we have been having.

Everyone is okay with the Zoom meetings. James made a motion to change from telephone conference calls to online Zoom meetings. Ron seconded the motion. Motion carries. Austin will cancel the current conference call plan.

As there was no further discussion, James made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ron seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm, edt.

Respectfully submitted by,
Niki Fisher
Texel Sheep Breeders Secretary