

ND Simmental Association Board Meeting, Ramkota Hotel, Bismarck ND April 19, 2013

Board members present were Kevin Elliott, Tyler Kinn, Cody Hanson, Chris Nicholson, Luke Keller, Claye Kaelberer, JR Aufforth, and Erika Kenner. Sec/Treas. Kim Myers was also present.

Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Kevin Elliott.

Motion to accept the agenda was made by Tyler and JR 2nd motion. Motion carried.

The minutes from the January meeting were presented and a motion to accept was made by JR and Cody 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Financial report was given by Kim and a motion to accept was made by Claye and Tyler 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Erika took over the meeting.

Board discussed starting a scholarship for a junior member of the association that is starting college or is already attending college. JR made a motion to start a \$500.00 scholarship and Cody 2nd motion. Motion carried. A committee was formed of Claye, Kevin and Chris to finalize the details of the scholarship.

Erika updated the board on the ND/SD Simmental Scene magazine. She had received figures from Mike Traxinger on the expenses and income of the magazine from the November issue to the Jan/Feb. issue.

The ND Directory was discussed. Erika had quotes of the cost of printing and mailing. Kevin made a motion to print the ND directory in the ND/SD Simmental Scene magazine with advertising rates being \$300.00 for a full page ad and \$200.00 for a ½ page ad and JR 2nd motion. Motion carried. Discussion was to ask SDSA if that would be ok with them to mail in the magazine.

Kim received an email from Nancy Chesterfield at ASA offering to have a full page ad in their upcoming breed directory if we met 3 requirements. Board wants Kim to send ASA the info they are requiring for the ad.

Chris will send out a newsletter again this summer sometime around the middle of July. Upcoming things to mention in the letter is the new scholarship, ND directory that is being worked on, new sale date and if anyone has any nominations for the awards that are given at the annual banquet.

A letter for sponsorship was received from the Nebraska Simmental Association for the National Junior Simmental Classic that will be held this summer in Lincoln, NE. A motion to donate \$500 was made by Claye and Cody 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Feeder calf sales were discussed. Luke attended both sales one at Kist Livestock and one at Napoleon Livestock. Luke informed board that ASA is working to promote the Simmental feeder calf sales at sale barns. He will keep the board informed about the promotions that ASA is working on.

The futurity show was discussed. The rules will stay the same. Kim will put it together at the state fair and collect a \$10 entry fee from each exhibitor.

A committee for the summer picnic will consist of Tyler, Mike and JR.

Kim asked the board if they would be interested in purchasing a laptop computer and quickbooks program for the association to be used by the secretary/treasurer. Luke made motion to purchase a laptop and program and JR 2nd motion. Discussion was had on how much to spend. Claye made an amendment to the motion to spend about \$600. Amendment carried. Motion carried.

Erika would like to plan an educational field day to involve extension personnel. Ideas were to have the field day around the same time as the Stockmen's Association has their roundup. Everyone is to keeping thinking on this for the future.

Board received a letter for sponsorship of the ND Jr Beef Expo this summer. Luke made a motion to sponsor \$200 and Tyler 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Erika asked board to try think of award recipient names for the next meeting.

A speaker for the annual meeting was discussed. Luke made a motion to have someone from the state board of animal health talk about johnnes testing and Cody 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Kim Myers
NDSA Sec/Treas.