North Dakota Simmental Association

January 6, 2016

Ramkota Hotel, Bismarck ND

Board members present: Todd Finke, Chris Nicholson, Tim Clark, Derik Samuelson, Dusty Kunkel, JR Aufforth. Kim Myers was also present.

Meeting was called to order by President Todd Finke.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Derik and Dusty 2nd. Motion carried.

Minutes from the September meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Tim and Chris 2nd. Motion carried.

The sale was discussed. Next year's date will be December 10 with the annual meeting and banquet on Friday, December 9. The board would like the commission rate to be the same for each consignor. There was a couple of bills that didn't get figured into the sale expense to figure the commission rate for the consignors, so as of now Jeff has paid them. A motion to have the state association reimburse Jeff for those bills instead of returning each consignors nomination fee was made by Dusty and Derik 2nd. Motion carried.

Board would like to see the nomination fee money be used to lower the expenses of the sale to keep the commission percent lower for each consignor. A motion to have Kim write a check to Kist Livestock on the day of the sale for the amount of the nomination fees collected was made by JR and Dusty 2nd. Motion carried.

Financial statement was handed out and reviewed along with the Edward Jones account balance. A motion to approve was made by Tim and Chris 2^{nd} . Motion carried.

A motion to pay JR Aufforth \$1500 for supplying the 2015 donation heifer was made by Chris and Derik 2^{nd} . Motion carried.

Audit committee report was given.

Feeder calf sale dates are Wednesday, January 13 at Kist Livestock and Thursday, January 14 at Napoleon Livestock.

The Futurity show was discussed. A motion to keep payouts and prizes the same as last year was made by Chris and Dusty 2^{nd} . Motion carried.

Advertising for 2016 was discussed. A motion to keep the budget the same as last year was made by JR and Chris 2nd. Motion carried.

Kim will send out membership renewal postcards in February.

Board member committees were assigned.

A motion to sponsor \$500 to the 2016 AJSA National Classic and \$250 to NDSU Agriculture Coalition was made by Tim and JR 2^{nd} . Motion carried.

April meeting was set for Wednesday, April 20 at 10:00 am at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by JR and Chris 2nd. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Kim Myers

NDSA Secretary