

North Dakota Simmental Association

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Board members present on conference call: David Doll, Dusty Kunkel, Tim Clark, Doug Bichler, Pat Thorson, JR Aufforth, Bryan Leapaltd, Kelly Hanson and Davis Kinn. Also present was Kim Myers.

Meeting was called to order by President David Doll.

A motion to approve the agenda with 2 additions of discussion on happening at ASA with Dr. Wade Shafer's contract and supporting a ND member that wishes to run for an ASA Trustee position was made by Dusty and Bryan 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

January meeting minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Kelly and Davis 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Financial report was given by Kim. A motion to approve was made by Tim & Dusty 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

There was no ND Scene report at this time.

ASA Representation was discussed. ND is allowed to have a representative from ASA present at two events annually. In the past representatives have been at the state banquet/sale and the feeder calf sales in January.

Scholarship applications were reviewed and Gabe Quandt was selected as the 2020 recipient of the NDSA Scholarship and Kendra Myers was selected as the 2020 recipient of the ND Scene Scholarship.

Kim updated board on the schedule/plans for the ND Junior Field Day that is set for June 5-6, 2020 in Carrington ND at the Foster Co Fairgrounds. They will be sharing the weekend with the ND Jr Angus Association's Field Day events. They are still moving forward with plans to host the event. Kim told the board that the Junior board would like to establish a scholarship program for the junior membership. Board discussed the junior account balance in the checkbook. A motion to set up a committee to move forward with establishing an Edward Jones account with committee members being all three junior advisors, the Junior board president, David Doll, Bryan Leapaltd, Doug Bichler and Tim Clark was made by Doug and Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. Doug will get some input on Edward Jones financial advisors in the Bismarck area and David will set up a conference call with the committee at a later date.

Summer newsletter was discussed and decided to leave mail date and info the same.

State sale was discussed. Terry Schlenker will provide the donation heifer for the 2020 sale. Doug will contact Jody S from the ND Red Angus board to see if they have made any other plans for their sale.

Summer picnic was reviewed. Tim, Kelly and Bryan will plan the details.

Discussion was held on the happenings at ASA with the executive board voting to not renew the EVP contract of Dr. Wade Shafer. There are several letters circulating on the support of renewing the contract. A motion was made to write a letter of support from the ND Simmental Association board of directors for renewing the EVP contract for Dr. Wade Shafer was made by Pat and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bryan. Motion carried. Letter will be mailed to each of the ASA's Trustees.

Discussion was held on how to support a ND Simmental Association member if he/she wishes to run for an ASA Trustee position on the National Board. A motion was made to financially support a ND Simmental Association member that secures a place on the ballot for an ASA Trustee position in the North Central Region when member on the national ballot turns in receipts for the expenses incurred for the mailing of election letters/postcards, not to exceed \$2500 by Bryan and Pat 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

September board meeting was scheduled for September 9.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bryan and Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Kim Myers, Sec/Treas

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