

ALR Board Meeting
October 19, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President, George Jenkins at 6:20pm MDT. Members in attendance were George Jenkins, Janis Black and Rick Dodd. Neil Effertz joined the call at 7:30 pm MDT.

Rick moved and Janis seconded that the minutes of the September 21, 2010 meeting be approved as corrected. Motion passed.

Janis brought up Sherry Doubet's concerns about mailing ballots for the election to the CPA in Iowa and her suggestion that we possible form an election committee to count ballots in Denver instead. We discussed the pros and cons. Janis moved that we have Sherry Doubet contact our new CPA and see if he will allow all ballots to be mailed to him and if not to find a different independent person to receive the ballots. The result of the election will then be mailed to Sherry Doubet at the ALR office and the President of the ALR but the ballots will not be opened until the membership meeting in Denver. Rick seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

We discussed having board members attending Louisville to be able to include them in discussion and to try to include the EDLA in more things with the ALR. George is planning on going. Janis said that she could go if the board felt it would be good.

We discussed the financial statements presented by Sherry Doubet for the 9 months ended September 30, 2010. We need to talk to Sherry further to know a few more details about the statements before we know where we stand. We need to be able to get more information from the Kansas City office concerning the detail of the accounting for January and February. Janis is going to ask Glenn Benjamin to contact Sharon and see if he can find out anything on this and on how Jim Spawn is doing.

We talked about where we are with Lakota on the income and expenses and that Steve said he would get this for us after the second ledger. George said he would talk to him about this.

Janis brought up having a representative from each region on each committee with the region picking the representative and having a board member on each committee. We discussed this at length. Neil moved that we invite each region to have a representative from their region on each of the standing committees. Rick seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Janis will write a letter to the president of each region asking for names to be presented to her as chair of the region committee by Denver. We will clarify that we would like a different person for each committee to be the official regional representative.

We discussed that we will have a phone conference the 11th of January 2011, the second Tuesday, and a meeting in Denver on Sunday night when we get there.

George reported that he did check with MMI on what we discussed last meeting. "We discussed a request from Astrid and Scott Jobe, of Ari Hill Farm Lowline Angus, asking to be able to register two percentage animals that they purchased a year ago, Chlorese XF1665 and CCR

Carmel Sundae XF6354. They have not been able to get the seller to cooperate with them to get DNA on the bull. The DNA might be on file with MMI. **Neil made a motion that we try to get the DNA from MMI and if not we allow them to register the animals. Rick seconded the motion. Motion passed.** MMI does not have the DNA on file, so Janis will notify the Jobe's and the ALR office about the special dispensation.

Janis brought up Sherry's question as to members having a balance that is more than 90 days past due and if they can vote. Neil moved that if a member has funds outstanding for more than 90 days that he is not eligible to vote. Rick seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Janis will ask Sherry to call any members that are currently affected by this.

Sherry asked us to clarify our motion from last meeting "**Neil moved that we require all registered Lowline animals have a breeder letter tattoo, an individual number tattoo and a year letter tattoo effective January 1, 2011.**" and if we meant for this to be in a complete tattoo in both ears or the complete tattoo between two ears. We discussed this at length. We decided that having the tattoo in both ears would not be made mandatory but definitely recommended.

George and Neil will be representing the Board at the American Royal in Kansas City. George and Janis will go to Louisville.

The next meeting will be by November 23, 2010, so we can be in Louisville.

The deadline for the next Ledger is November 1, 2010. George reminded Steve at Lakota that the deadline needs to be adhered to. He also told him that if he sends a proof to the board he can send it to print after 48 hours if he doesn't hear from any board members.

We will ask Steve to print the information that the ALR office sent out on tattooing correctly in the Ledger for those members who do not have email access. We want it in the next issue and in the summer issue.

We will talk to each region as we are at shows to get their feedback on having 5 vs 4 issues of the Ledger.

We discussed a registration issue that Gene Kantak is having but we are not able to read all of his information. Janis will clarify the issue with him and get back with the board.

We discussed needing to start renegotiating our contract with Dean Pike for next year. We talked about having him be at more shows and some things that we would like to see. We will begin working on the details.

We touched on the funding of the regions and how those funds are being used vs how they were intended. We will continue to look into this.

Janis moved and Rick seconded that we adjourn the meeting at 9:03pm MDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Black, Secretary