

ALR Annual General Membership Meeting  
1-19-11

The meeting was brought to order by President, George Jenkins at 7:10pm. There were approximately 80 members present.

The 2010 financial report was distributed to the membership and the Sherry Doubet went through this information with the members. Sherry asked for a motion to approve the report. Janis Black moved and Rick Dodd seconded that the report be approved. Motion was passed.

George brought up the Ledger and the results of it since we have moved it to Register Lakota. He brought up the possibility of having 5 issues instead of 4 issues and did report that this would not change for 2011. We talked about the issue deadlines with the next one being February 1, 2011. He mentioned that we consider having an issue that is a "Bull Issue" and asked everyone to think about that.

John Reed reported on the 2011 National Sale. The sale grossed \$267,350.00. We sold 7 full blood bulls with an average of \$2557, 3 Percentage bulls averaged \$2333, 21 Full blood females averaged \$5155, 8 Full blood bred heifers averaged \$7119, 16 Percentage females averaged \$2766, 37 embryos averaged \$751 and 1 pregnancy for \$5200.

We introduced the Junior board and reported that their auctions this week brought in about \$30,000.

George discussed the website updates and how well it has been working. Shelly Dodd is responsible for keeping things current and has done an outstanding job.

George opened the meeting to the membership for comments. The question was about the letter for this year. The year letter for this year is "Y". The question was asked about identifying the Red cattle on the registrations. Neil reported that we are trying to figure out how to indicate a red gene carrier that would be within the registration number. It was suggested that we put an "R" at the end of the registration number to indicate this. Sherry Doubet responded that we might do this if we have the DNA to back it up, but we might not want the "R" at the end. Nancy Chapman said that they have started testing their red cattle with Pfizer's MVP program and is getting some results that are usable from this. We continued this discussion but need to figure out how to do it accurately. Jan Effertz suggested that we appoint a committee of the membership to look into this. George said that the board will take this issue under advisement and asked members to let the board know if they would like to be on a committee to continue this.

Doug Schmidt brought up having Dean Pike as a breed representative and expressed that he would like to see Dean continue in this position. Glenn Benjamin suggested that we take a straw poll to see how the membership in the room felt about keeping Dean in his current position. Sherry Doubet reported on the 2010 activities of that Dean participated

in. A straw poll by raise of hands was taken with approximately 90% of the room being in favor of retaining Dean.

Connie Mechem asked about the mix up in times for the junior shows and asked if we could have those times printed along with all other National Western activities during the week.

We discussed tattoos and did reiterate that the herd letters must be used in at least one ear starting in 2011.

Janis asked the membership if we should continue printing the board minutes in the ledger and on the website.

Rick announced that 279 ballots were cast in the election of officers when we opened the sealed envelope. The results were Neil Effertz 171, George Jenkins 144, Mike Hudlow 121 and Brian Walters 111.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Black, Secretary