

February 28th 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM CST by President, Janis Black. Members in Attendance were Neil Effertz, Rick Dodd, Larry Watkins, John Kaeshoefer.

Others Present: Sherry Doubet & Dean Pike

Rick made a motion to accept the January 17th and January 31st minutes as printed. Motion was seconded by Neil. Motion carried.

Sherry Doubet gave a treasurer's report.

Dean Pike gave a junior committee report: The next Junior Nationals will be in Stillwater OK. Plans are under way for the show. Several contests and events will be held for the juniors along with the show. The schedule should be on the ALR website soon. The 2013 Junior Nationals will be held at South Dakota State University. It was approved by the junior board.

Dean Pike also reported he has visited with and talked to several breeders since the show in Denver.

Neil reported on the National Sale committee: He reported that the National Sale committee will evaluate the success of the national sale and make any necessary improvements.

Neil reported on the Show committee: He reported that he is working with the National Royal on a steer show for Lowline cattle.

Neil clarified the rule on showing cow calf pairs: Any female with a calf at side will be shown in the cow calf class, only, in all shows. They should not be shown against single female entries in any class.

Larry reported on the promotion committee: Jim is doing his article on Ted Jansen and should have it done on time for the next issue of the ledger. There was a lengthy discussion about the Houston International Show and the International Hospitality Room. There was also a discussion on how to improve the Ledger.

John reported on the Regional Association committee: Regions need the financial and membership reports in by March 15th. He reported he will have a meeting with the regions soon. He also reported that the ELAA would like to designate the Louisville show as the North American Lowline Show and Sale.

Janis reported on the ambassador committee: Janis and Rick will try to revitalize the ambassador program with ALCA.

Rick reported on the National Meeting and Hotel committee: The committee will work on improvements although it's believed everything went well this year in Denver.

Old business: After a discussion with the board, a motion was made by Neil and seconded by Rick to grant an exemption for Donnie Chrismer to register some cattle. He will be required to pay all late fees to build the pedigrees on the cattle. The motion carried.

There was some discussion about the Registry giving out email lists. The Discussion will continue after some investigation at the next meeting.

Other business: There was a lengthy discussion on DNA testing and requirement of DNA on file for percentage Lowline bulls and bulls of other breeds. Several members have written letters to the board on this subject. A motion was made by Neil to exclude the requirement of non Lowline sires to have DNA on file. Section 6 rule 3 should be changed to all Lowline sires only. Non Lowline sires will be excluded from the rule. The motion was seconded by John. Motion carried. This will be effective immediately.

The next meeting will be 3/20/ 2012

Meeting was adjourned.