

AMERICAN ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING 10-23-18

The meeting was called to order by President, Janis Black

Members in attendance were David Shockey, Janis Black, Wade Coffey, Darwin Engelkes, Gary Gilbert and Neil Effertz. Sherry Doubet was also in attendance.

It was moved by David Shockey and seconded by Gary Gilbert that the minutes of the September 25, 2018 minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

National Meeting: Rick Dodd sent costs for the annual meeting and banquet. The room rate went up to \$137/night. The meal cost will be \$49.60. We discussed what the cost for members should be for the banquet. Last year we charged \$40.00. David Shockey made a motion that was seconded by Gary Gilbert that we charge \$40 up until 12-31-18 and after that we charge \$50 and that we charge \$30 for juniors and children. Motion carried.

New Business: A spirited discussion was held concerning the people who were nominated for the board of directors, but failed to get the required information to the office by the deadline. The rules were read aloud to the board. Darwin Engelkes made a motion that was seconded by Gary Gilbert that we give the 4 candidates until this Friday at noon to submit their bio and that we would then include their information on the ballot and they could run as write in candidates. A discussion was held concerning the rules and what the 4 people had not complied with. At that time, Darwin Engelkes withdrew his motion and apologized to the board.

David Shockey left the meeting at this time due to a family emergency, but did offer to meet again tomorrow if the board decided to change it's mind and let the 4 people have their information included in the ballot. He was assured that would not be the case.

Committee Reports:

Regional Association: David and Gary are working on a mission statement for the committee.

Juniors: The junior members have formed committees to work on the auction and activities at the national meeting in Denver. They are meeting in Kansas on 11-3-18 to begin planning next year's junior nationals.

Promotion and Ledger: The New Mexico grass fed convention was discussed and that Craig Walker had volunteered to have someone there if we wanted. At this time we decided we should work on this for next year. Later in the week, it was decided by the board to pay for Chris Spears to attend the meeting if he would walk around and hand out flyers and promote the breed.

Strategic Planning: The committee has asked that all committees work on a mission statement.

Other Business: Neil Effertz reported that Eric DeVuyst is working with Kris Ringwall on studies and documentation concerning DNA marker associated with feed efficiency numbers and calving ease. The North Dakota State University, Oklahoma State University and University of Saskatchewan are working together on this. Also, Kris Ringwall is leaving North Dakota and going to the University of Saskatchewan.

We discussed the Breeder Services contract vs. the Registry Office contract. The Breeder Services contract is up for renewal 12-31-18. We discussed Dean's duties that include attending events, representing us at cattlemen's meetings, herd visits and assisting breeders, to name a few.

Janis asked that we be thinking about people for Herdsman of the Year and speakers for the National meeting for our next meeting.

Our next meeting will be on 11-27-18 at 5:30 pm mountain time.

It was moved by Darwin Engelkes and seconded by Wade Coffey that we adjourn. Motion carried.