

KHSI Board of Directors Meeting Teleconference April 18, 2024

President Cindy DeOrnellis called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM EST.

Board members present: Dan Turner, Howard Covington, Cindy DeOrnellis, Mike Jones, Justin Fruechte, Karen Kenagy, and Mandy Fletcher.

Mandy asked the board to review the minutes from March 28, 2024. Dan moved the minutes be accepted as presented. Justin seconded the motion and it passed 6-0. The March minutes were accepted.

Alan presented the treasurer's report which also included the year-to-date profit & loss and the balance sheet. Alan also provided the membership report and the registry report.

Old Business

NSIP committee – Dan

Dan informed the board of the GEMS project participants receiving reimbursement funds for their research project. The NSIP Buyer's Guide will cost 2 thousand dollars to print. The guide will continue to be reviewed and revisions made. Updates are forthcoming.

Expo & Sale committee – Cindy & Alan

Discussions continued concerning expo planning details and committee updates were given. Cindy informed the board that Robert has online registration completed, and Alan will have it ready for posting next week. Planning for the lamb cookoff is ongoing.

Members – Dan

Dan spoke with an attorney about what actions KHSI should take to address those members who are not promoting or supporting KHSI. Our code of ethics and actions to be taken, based on those, will be researched upon reviewing the by-laws.

New Business

Registry Updates – Cindy and Alan

Jeff will be hiring 3 summer interns. The board would like Jeff to continue to send new member/new owner packets to applicable individuals. Discussions of the included materials will resume at the next meeting.

Justin made a motion for the board to move forward with further investigations and research into Digital Beef. Dan seconded the motion. A roll call vote occurred, and the motion passed unanimously (6-0). Cindy asked Justin to contact Jaye for guidance on the next steps of our transition. Further discussions will continue.

Vet Research – Alan

Alan reviewed the request letter from Madison Miller from Royal Vet College in London England. She is interested in learning what producers are doing in out-of-season breeding management questions. The board was in favor of including this voluntary opportunity to assist Madison in an email blast.

Tex-Kats had a great educational event that was well attended. Two (2) new members joined KHSI after attending the event.

Next meeting: May 16th @ 8 PM EST

Howard moved to adjourn the meeting. Dan seconded the motion, the motion passed 6-0, and Cindy adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Mandy Fletcher