

KHSI Board of Directors Meeting Teleconference June 19, 2025

President Dan Turner called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM EST.

Board members present: Dan Turner, Howard Covington, Cindy DeOrnellis, Mike Jones, and Mandy Fletcher. Karen Kenagy and Justin Fruechte were absent. Also present were Alan Culham and Brenda Lobdell Scheider.

Minutes from the May meeting were presented and Mike Jones moved to approve. Howard seconded the motion and motion was approved unanimously.

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

Old Business

NSIP committee – Dan

NSIP articles are upcoming in the Fall/Winter issues of the Hairald. The NSIP buyer guides are updated and available in pdf form for distribution. A small portion of funds remain in the GEMS funds, and it is TBD how it will be utilized. Discussions occurred of the compilation of a summary report of the most recent GEMS project. Work is being completed on another GEMS grant submission, so additional details are forthcoming.

Registry Implementation Committee – Brenda & Dan

Brenda reported the DK site activities and the workshop attendance numbers. Call volume has been steady. Most feedback has been positive. Brenda will continue to work through any small glitches and maintain open communications with members and our board of directors.

Promotions – Mike

Mike and the committee continue focusing efforts on promotion the Expo sale in regional formats near the Expo site. Katahdins were the focused breed in the June edition of The Shepherd. He reported that 75 people attended the Georgia Sheep Field Day. The committee decided that we will not have Ad auctions this year at the KHSI Expo.

Welcome Packet Items – Dan

Discussions were held concerning what information should be distributed to new members as part of their welcome packet. The promotions committee will play a role in helping determine this and a plan will be formulated.

Expo Sale – Cindy

Cindy updated the board that everything is on target for the sale to be a successful event! She is working on getting a veterinarian secured.

Expo - Mandy

Arrangements are on schedule and details are being finalized. The rental on the bounce house is yet to be determined and further updates will be given.

New Business

SCKA – Alan & Dan

Alan discussed the request regarding him traveling to speak at the Munfordsville SCKA Field Day in September and discuss the KAT+ program. Howard moved that our board cover his expenses for this. Cindy seconded the motion and motion passed unanimously.

KHSI User's Guide - Dan

There will be a discussion meeting at Expo to determine how to best get this publication revised and ready for distribution. Brenda has seen many beginners joining our membership that could benefit.

RMKA Meeting topics of interest - Alan

Alan discussed the value of checking out the University of WY study at their research station which focuses on a Katahdin lamb feeding program.

Next meeting: July 17, 2025 at 8pm EST.

Cindy moved to adjourn the meeting. Howard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and Dan adjourned the meeting at 9:30 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Mandy Fletcher