

KHSI Board of Directors Meeting Teleconference November 21, 2024

President Dan Turner 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.

Cindy presented the Secretary's report and asked the board to review the minutes from October 2024. Mike moved the minutes be accepted as presented. Howard seconded the motion and it passed 6-0. The October 17th 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. Registrations did not increase, however, memberships are up 1 percent and transfers showed an increase.

Old Business

NSIP committee – Dan

Dan reported that the committee included the updates to the Ram Buyers Guide made by the board. He indicated that the genomic portion will be finalized. Printed copies (around 1,000) can be purchased for \$2,000 (two thousand dollars). Mandy made a motion to approve the NSIP Committee's current direction to complete the update to the NSIP Ram Buyers Guide, and that KHSI do another printing and continue to include it in new member packets sent out by the registry. Karen seconded the motion. Discussions were held and the need for a roll call vote was determined. Roll call votes were as follow: Cindy – No, Howard – No, Karen – Yes, Mike – No, Justin – Yes, Mandy – Yes, and Dan – Yes (tiebreaker). Motion passed 4 to 3.

Registry Implementation committee – Justin

Justin reported that the committee received administrative applications through October 31st. Preliminary screening will be conducted by the committee and applications will be scored using a rubric. Dan and Justin had discussions with the board and it was decided that the final 5 (five) applicants will be shared with the board and interviews will be conducted. Recommendations will be shared with the board, and they will make the final decision about who will receive an offer for the Digital Katahdin Administrative position.

Promotions – Mike

Mike reported that his committee had a productive meeting and will continue to work on trade shows and advertising. Kara Nelson will be assisting with social media endeavors. The NAILE Louisville display was nicely done and received many visitors.

Finalize Committees – Dan & Mandy

Final 2025 committee updates were shared, and Cindy made a motion to approve the committee appointments. Mandy seconded and the motion passed 6-0. These will be updated to the website.

NAILE – Alan

Alan spoke about how many new producers and kids were showing Katahdins. Katahdin representation was phenomenal!

New Business

KHSI KREG Grant – Katahdin Regional Group Committee (KRGC) – Howard
Howard discussed the revisions for the KRGC- KREG grant as he presented the draft application document. Board discussions occurred. It was decided that regional groups/applicants will have 60 days past the last event or the end of the calendar year to submit the report summary for their event(s). Howard made a motion to accept the KREG grant application form as presented. Cindy seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

Show Committee – Cindy

Cindy reported a large increase in numbers in the Jr shows and many new participants in the Open shows. Cindy and the committee will work on clarifying the Katahdin rules at shows to make sure rules are clear to everyone. Work on getting Katahdins into more youth shows will continue.

2025 KHSI Budget – Alan

Committees need budgets submitted to KHSI by our December meeting.

Katahdin Hairald – Mike

Mike made a motion to request that the board change the title of the Katahdin Hairald – Quarterly Newsletter to “Official Publication of Katahdin Hair Sheep International.” Justin seconded, and the motion passed 6-0. Alan will let Gail know about this change.

Next meeting: December 19, 2024 at 8pm EST.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Mandy Fletcher