

NSIP Board Meeting

7 pm

Thursday, October 10, 2013

Taken by: Mary Sorensen

On the call: Dan Waldron, Dan Morrical, Cody Hiemke, Allan Culham, Carl Ginapp, Reid Redden, Mary Sorensen, Jim Morgan

Agenda:

Promotion & Education Committee: Draft of brochure by Reid; Reid said the brochure is close to done but we are waiting for some testimonials to come back. Then we discussed if individual names should be on the brochure or not. It was decided that they should not be so the brochure does not become outdated as soon as people change.

Dan M talked to Paul about panel at the ASI convention. He also mentioned that there was one individual on the production, education, and research council that opposed ASI's resolution to support NSIP; however the vast majority of their members were in favor of the resolution.

Reid applied for a grant for to NSIIC to provide awareness and education in support of NSIP. He will maybe need assistance if we get the grant.

Financial Committee: Our current checkbook balance is \$38,426.00. We are basically at breakeven between income (\$41000) and expense (\$40000) per year. Dan M & Alan moved and second Financial & Budget report. Motion passed.

Jim M. thinks each board member that represents a breed should set a goal to recruit a certain number of new members for each breed. This would give us more spread between income and expense so we would have spare money for promotion and other things.

Bylaws Committee: Cody says bylaws are out of date. How Board members are determined maybe needs to be reviewed. Now it says you are elected by your breed association. We need to redefine this.

Registration of animals being required to be in NSIP is not in the Bylaws.

Jim M suggested that active breeders in each breed vote on who should be the Board representative.

Cody will be working on bylaws in the next couple of weeks. Bylaw committees will be working together to work on suggestions for changes. Bylaw committee will put out a draft for the Board to review.

They also discussed Board members officially being seated every year as a necessary procedure.

Technical Committee: Dan Waldron says no actions have been taken so far. Dave Notter has not been available. Reid mentioned CN sale and people talking to him about out of season lambing consideration wanted. Talked about how to make accelerated lambing during the year could be credited to affect indexes. Jim M says Lambplan has low priority to work on this. We would maybe have to offer money.

Reproductive trait problems are being discussed. Notter would be person to check with on this.

Mary- we need a document on the website to define contemporary group & time length for each trait. (This has been done as of October 22, 2013.)

A group of breeders from Mexico want Notter to do a breeding objectives project for Hair sheep and terminal sire. If we did by ourselves it would cost \$7500 or more; if we do with Mexico we could put in \$5000. The discussion was tabled. Dan M wants Dave Notter to write up what the objectives of this project would be.

Registration Requirements: Bylaws do not require animals be registered. Over 87.5 or 92% of the animal has to be of the breed the ID is for in NSIP because of heterosis. Some feel we should not have lower % animals be in NSIP that get compared to others. Cody said in the Shropshire breed he thought that would be high %. Reid does not think this is a NSIP responsibility. Per Alan, Crossbred sires that are further from the 87.5% will drop out of listings as soon as his offspring have offspring because his numbers will drop.

Have Notter come up with cost estimate of what it would take to be able to know an individual breeder connection to other flocks.

Reid wants the Technical committee to come up with how to set up contemporary groups for purebred breeders. Maybe we need a recommendation that nothing less than 7/8 blood should go in.

Out of Season Lambing: Already discussed

Budget for Actions: Reid asked if there is any budget for projects (example HALE). Cody thinks budget needs to be added to Bylaws. Cody wants Finance committee to bring us a budget in January. Jim says the committee already has a budget for next year except for NAILE.

Sire Summary: Set 4 months per category of sheep: Jan, May, July & Sept maybe Cody, Dan & Alan will think on this.

Dan M and Cody motion each category will choose 4 months that they want the reports posted to website.

Mary please rename the reports on internet for Maternal and Katahdin to explain that they are actually Polypay and Katahdin reports. (This has been done as of Oct 22, 2013.) Jim M should review the Hair report to make sure that there is nothing beside Katahdins in the reports. John C or Jerry S should

review maternal reports for any non-Polypay. Range should maybe say Targhee only after reviewed by someone.

Enrollment Fee Deadline: Finance committee will decide the guidelines for enrollment payment and how I should notify people.

Cody will write in Bylaws that Enrollment fees are due January 1; and no one gets data back until their account is current.

Goat Enrollment: Reid has had one inquiry for one Kiko flock. He talked to Notter.

Someone needs to write to Notter about Kiko, Boer Goat flocks that have data in NSIP so know the flock ID.

Maybe should post something on website about goats. Would have be submitted with sheep terminology not goat terminology. Decided to set up a committee.

Goat Promotion Exploratory committee: Ken Andries (Chair), Dan Waldron, Susan Schoenian, Will Getz

Software & Data Entry Personnel: No need for more people at this time.

Hale Group: Report was favorable for NSIP. Megan, Lamb Board, talked on how can work together to promote NSIP. Contact them to see what we can do on our end.

ASI Meeting: Jan 22-25

Genetic Stakeholders: Thurs. Cody said he would write Judy Malone about room for NSIP meeting while there.

New Business: Board will meet on the second Thursday of even months at 7 pm (central).

Meeting adjourned 9:15