NSIP Board of Directors meeting Thursday, January 23, 2014 Minutes taken by: Jim Morgan and Cody Hiemke

Reid called the meeting together at 2:20 PM EST.

Board Members in attendance: Reid Redden, Cody Hiemke, Dan Morrical, Tracy Roeder, Jim Morgan, Carl Ginapp (phone), Dan Waldron (phone). Technical advisers: Dave Notter and Rodney Kott.

Also attending for part or all of the meeting: Bob Ludwig, Dean Swenson, Lisa Weeks, Dave Trotter, Wes Patton, Dave Orloff, Ken Andries, Woody Lane, Ken Boyer, Pierce Miller, Lisa Surber (also a MT extension agent), Betty Sampsel, Bill Shultz, Ian McColl (President of Sheepmeat Council of Australia (SCA)

Introductions

Bob Ludwig was introduced to discuss how NSIP is important to the sheep industry and the success of the Sheep Industry Roadmap. Discussion shifted as to how we can increase participation in NSIP.

Cody Hiemke presented the results of the survey pf the membership by the Membership Relations Committee.

Reid presented the minutes of the last meeting. Cody moved to approve. Dan second. Approved.

Jack McRae presented on behalf of the Finance Committee. As of December we have \$43,000 in the account and we have shown a YTD profit.

Dave Notter reported on behalf of the Technical Committee. LambPlan is in the process of revising their reproductive EBVs and Dave is working with them to make more accurate the US adjustments. Dave is working with LambPlan to account for accelerated (two times per year) lambing; there will be a cost to fix this within the LambPlan system. Dave sits on LambPlan's technical committee, too.

Dan Morrical moved that the Board of Directors shall be made up of individuals who are sheep and goat producers and be elected as follows:

Chairman – elected by enrolled NSIP membership

Vice-Chairman – elected by enrolled NSIP membership

Secretary – elected by enrolled NSIP membership

Treasurer – elected by enrolled NSIP membership

Maternal Breeder – elected by maternal breeders

Terminal Breeder – elected by terminal breeders

Range Breeder – elected by range breeders

Hair Sheep Breeder – elected by hair breeders

Goat Breeder – elected by goat breeders

Commercial /At Large – Appointed by Chairman and approved by board

Commercial / At Large – Appointed by Vice-Chairman and approved by board

NSIP recognized breeds with at least 10 active NSIP members have the option to elect an additional seat. Cody Second. Motion passed.

Tracy made a motion to allow the Re-launch Committee to manage and operate the NSCIIC grant. Dan second. Vote passed.

Chairman Redden moved to adjourn.