NSIP Membership Meeting

Thursday – January 28, 2016

ASI Convention, Scottsdale, AZ

Minutes submitted by Lisa Weeks

Rusty presented the NSIP Ram Buying Guide which was funded by Let's Grow. Copies were available at the convention. The guide is also available as a .pdf file at www.nsip.org under Resources and Estimated Breeding Values. There are plans to make a smartphone app in the next few months to complement the guide.

Ron Lewis, our technical advisor, presented a talk on Getting Connected. Are differences genetic or environmental? What is the risk in comparing EBV's between flocks?

The Producer Panel from the Genetic Stakeholders meeting was available to answer questions. The members of the panel were Betty Sampsell, Lisa Surber, Lynn Fahrmeier, and Bill Shultz.

Cody Hiemke presented the NSIP 2016 Director and Officer Ballot to the membership. Bill Shultz moved to accept the slate of nominations by acclimation, seconded by Tom Boyer. The NSIP 2016 Directors and Officers are:

Chairman – Reid Redden Vice Chairman – Tom Boyer Secretary – Lisa Weeks Treasurer – Walt Williams Maternal – John Carlson Terminal – Bill Shultz Hair – Jim Morgan Range – Rodney Kott Katahdin – Carl Ginapp Suffolk - Matt Beals Polypay – Todd Taylor Targhee – Lisa Surber Hampshire – Mark Roembke Dorset – Kathy Soder Ramboillet – Matt Benz Goat Representative – Kenneth Andries

The By-Laws currently have officers serving a one year term. The committee is working to modify this to a staggered three year term with a maximum of two consecutive terms served per office.

The meetings this year (2016) will be bi-monthly beginning March 10.

Rodney motioned to move Rusty to full-time immediately. Tom Boyer seconded. Motion passed.

The January minutes from the membership meeting in 2015 were motioned to approve by Tom Boyer, seconded by Ken Andries, motion passed.

The December minutes from 2015 were motioned to approve by Jim Morgan, seconded by Lisa Surber, motion passed.

Jim Morgan discussed the blood collection of NSIP sires, all breeds, which will start this spring. All samples will ship to Harvey Blackburn via pre-paid shipping containers. Identification of samples will most likely be a sixteen digit ID.

Lastly, Rusty reports that we have >300 flocks enrolled in NSIP with 152 flocks submitting data in 2015. There are four regional breeder forums planned in 2016.

Cody Hiemke moved to adjourn.

Attendees:

Ken	Andries	Anne	Munro
Matt	Beals	Brenda	Murdoch
Matt	Benz	Jeff	Murray
Amy	Benz	Joanne	Nissen
Tom	Boyer	Dave	Ollila
Rusty	Burgett	Jay	Parsons
Travis	Burkel	Geri	Parsons
Linda	Campbell	Lonnie	Poetz
Mike	Corn	Rick	Powdell
Allan	Culham	Shawn	Ray
Martin	Dally	Reid	Redden
Jay	Dally	Stacey	Schofield
Laura	DeYoung	Bill	Shultz
Lynn	Fahrmeier	Bill	Shultz
Penny	Gunderson	Kathy	Soder
Roger	Gunderson	Lisa	Surber
Jamie	Heinrich	Jill	Swannack
Cody	Hiemke	Todd	Taylor
Rodney	Kott	Sharlet	Teigen
Paul	Lewis	Dustin	Vining
Kathy	Lewis	Larry	Weeks
Ron	Lewis	Lisa	Weeks
Tommy	Moore	John	Wilkes
Jim	Morgan	?	
Dan	Morrical	?	
Wes	Moser	?	