Arkansas State Sheep Council Meeting

Minutes – Arkansas Spring Show - May 3, 2013

Mike Reynolds opened up the meeting with reading of the last meeting’s minutes. Wanda Calloway made a motion to amend the minutes to change Jerry Masters’s misspelled name (which was Matthews). Robin Harlow seconded the motion. Vote was taken motion passed.

Wanda Calloway presented the treasurer’s report. The balance in the account is $2962.90 and she mentioned that we should be receiving the $1000.00 for the mentoring program soon and the plans for that money will be coordinated by Steve Jones. There will be a day class in Faulkner County with the help of Dr. David Fernandez. The class will cover forages, Famancha card use, and a workbook for participants, as well as a small lunch. Robin Harlow made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report and Denise Trotter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

New Business;

Wanda Calloway mentioned the need for sponsorship for the Arkansas State Fair. The District directors will acquire sponsorships, photos and jacket sizes for each District ABL show. Brad Harlow is working on securing sponsorship for the State Fair. The Stettemeier family sponsored the Spring Show and the group was appreciative of their generosity. Jerry Masters of the State Fair provided 5 banners for the Spring Show this year.

There was discussion in clarifying whether Pee Wee’s (5-9 years old) would show or not show in the ABL division at the Arkansas State Fair. Denise Trotter made a motion to allow the Pee Wee exhibitors, ages 5-9 to show in the ABL show at the Arkansas State Fair. Wanda Calloway seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion about clarifying the Arkansas Bred Lamb rules was resolved with a motion made by Robin Harlow and seconded by Mr. Moder that stated the following:

An Arkansas Bred Lamb is defined as an animal that is either bred by or purchased from a Breeder that is:

1). A current member in good standing of the Arkansas State Sheep Council that resides in the state of Arkansas.

2). The lamb must be from a ewe that is owned by an Arkansas breeder at the time of service and an Arkansas breeder has to have possession of said ewe within the state of Arkansas at the time of lambing.
3). Ownership can transfer from one Arkansas breeder in good standing to another Arkansas breeder in good standing during time of gestation.

Vote was taken and motion passed. This will be inserted on the Arkansas Bred Lamb Nomination Form and will be placed on the website.

Mike Reynolds opened up the floor to volunteers to serve as the website coordinator. Robin Harlow graciously volunteered.

There was discussion about possible changed or improvements for our ASSC sale. Brad Harlow and Mike Reynolds will work on some ideas and report back at the next meeting. Our next meeting will be held in October at the State fair after ABL weigh-in. Denise Trotter made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Wanda Calloway. Motion passed.

Submitted by Sherri Sanders

ASSC Secretary