

ND Simmental Association Board Meeting
September 11, 2014
Ramkota Hotel, Bismarck ND

Board members present: JR Aufforth, Chris Nicholson, Cody Hanson, Claye Kaelberer, Tyler Kinn, Kevin Elliott and Todd Finke. Kim Myers was also present.

Meeting was called to order by President JR Aufforth.

Additions to the minutes were added as clerking to the showcase/classic sale discussion. A motion to approve the agenda with the addition added was made by Claye and Tyler 2nd. Motion carried.

Minutes from the April meeting were presented and a motion to approve was made by Claye and Todd 2nd. Motion carried.

Financial report was given by Kim. Checkbook balance is \$21,399.70 and the balance in the Edward Jones account is \$12,166.78. A motion to approve the financial report was made by Todd and Chris 2nd. Motion carried.

Kim updated the board on what some of the jr members have been busy with. 3 families exhibited at the Western Regional in Bozeman in June, 37 jr members exhibited at the state fair. The futurity show was successful that was held with the jr Simmental show on Tuesday of the fair.

The feeder calf sale dates will be Jan. 8 at Napoloen and Jan. 14 at Kist.

The scholarship committee has add the addition of allowing college freshman to apply for the annual \$500 scholarship. The scholarship application will be printed in upcoming issues of the Scene as pages allow. Deadline will remain as March 15, 2015.

Annual meeting was discussed. Luke has asked Bob B if we would be able to hold our annual meeting at Circle Diamond. Lori Thorson will serve the lunch on Friday before the meeting. There will be election of 3 board members this year. 2 from the West and 1 from the East.

Banquet was discussed. There will be no head table. We will have the awards, coloring contest, photo contest, semen auction, and Jr auction. Kim will look at giving windshirts as door prizes this year.

The showcase/classic sale was discussed. Lunch this serve will be served by the café at Kist Livestock. The Red Angus Association and the Simmental Association will split the bill for Saturdays lunch. Barn Boss will be Tyler and Luke and Derik have been nominated to help Tyler. They are to assign pens before the arrival of the sale cattle. Todd Finke will bring the donation heifer. Clerking will be done by Kist Livestock. Luke will get the raffle permit.

Registration papers on the sale cattle was discussed. A motion to have consignors bring the registration papers with the breeding info filled out with ASA registration numbers for sires used on the papers for the bred heifers was made by Kevin and Claye 2nd. Motion carried.

Awards were discussed and winners chosen.

Erika was put on speaker phone to give an ASA update. Meetings had just concluded in Bozeman. The fall meetings are going to move around the country. An application will need to be submitted by the State Association that wishes to host. This year in Denver the board members will be present in the yards. The cost-share for the state associations has increased. Bert Moore has been hired to assist states with completing the requirements to receive the cost-share dollars.

Kim gave the board an update on membership

Tyler reported on the State Fair picnic. Attendance was very good, but ran out of food. Because of the weather the picnic was moved to the show ring in the Expo building.

Board elections were discussed. Claye Kaelberer is going to try become a write-in candidate for the upcoming election. A motion to mail out a letter of support from the ND Simmental Association Board members, if Claye becomes the write-in candidate on the ballot this fall, to the active members was made Todd and Tyler 2nd. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Kim Myers
Secretary