

Montadale Sheep Breeders Association

Board of Directors Semi-Annual Meeting – E.H. Mattingly National Show

November 13, 2016

North American International Livestock Exposition – Louisville, KY.

The Semi Annual Board of Directors meeting of the Montadale Sheep Breeders Association was called to order by President Dan Rhoades at 9am November 13, 2016.

Board Members present were: Dan Rhoades, Tom Clayman, Chad Marshall, Mike Maroska, Kent Moenter, Richard Jacobsen, John Coers, Susan Proctor, Mary Hawaaboo, Jr. Coordinator Nann Green and Secretary Kendra Fleck. Board members absent but with Proxy: Patty Abell, Bill Riley, Bill Poppen. Board member absent no Proxy: Greg Miller.

Minutes from the Semi-Annual Meeting held during the National Show and Sale in Sedalia, MO were read by the board. It was moved by Richard Jacobsen to approve the minutes as read. Mary Hawaaboo second the motion. Motion carried.

Financial report was also read by Board. Changes to the format of the report discussed at the Meeting in Sedalia were approved of and report was approved with one change to show the donation of 2 scholarships by Kay Stadel and Tom Clayman from the summer meeting. John Coers moved to accept the financial report. Richard Jacobsen second the motion. Motion carried. Kendra stated that since a lot of our money raising activities revolve around funding jr. programs that she be allowed to create a bank account specifically for the Junior Association. Kent Moenter stated that there used to be such an account but always seemed to be in the red. Richard Jacobsen moved that the second account for the Junior Association be created. John Coers second the motion. Motion carried.

Junior Activities:

Junior Coordinator Nann Green gave a report that only 5 Juniors participated in the Futurity program this year. \$1100 will be paid out to those 5 exhibitors based off of the total points generated by those kids x's the \$1100. This will give the dollar amount for each participant based on their percentage of points generated. It was also brought up that we should have some sort of information packet put together that is available for the juniors in regards to participation in the futurity program and how it works. Nann and Kendra will work on this over the winter months.

It was discussed that with the dwindling junior members that we extend the age to 21 for Junior membership. This will allow some members to continue for a while longer and maybe be an attractive option for others to join and show a Montadale. Tom Clayman moved to change the age for Junior membership to 21. Mike Maroska second the motion. Motion carried.

Awards for the Keith Crome Junior Show were discussed. Confusion on the part of Kendra led to no awards for the Champion and Reserves. Donations were made by the Board to cover the cost of these Banners to award the exhibitors of the Grand and Reserve Grand Rams and Ewes. Kendra will order the Banners directly following Louisville and ship out to those winners. Class winners received an embroidered throw blanket.

Susan Proctor also brought up a thought about having a temporary registration for FFA programs. Discussion on this was tabled.

Millie Moore made an appearance on behalf of the Heartland Livestock Services, LLC. She asked for any changes or suggestions to take back to the group. The Board said changes to the pens and electrical were welcomed improvements. Tom Clayman challenged the group to be a little more consistent with the information in print and what is on the website. The Junior shows and the negativity the group had displayed to some breeders was also discussed with no real solution to the penning problem or apology for the negative comments about the Junior Shows "not bringing in any money" to the sale. We will continue to have the Jim and Dorothy Handy Junior Show at that time however, we will see how this year goes but may resort to looking into other options.

Report from the Illinois Association. Chad Marshall explained that a lot of folks would like to see the National Show and Sale be brought back to Illinois however, he feels they are not ready for that. The sale committee will be meeting in January and Chad

will represent us at that meeting. Tom Clayman mentioned that maybe if they moved the sale to Memorial Day weekend they may get a few more people to participate. They had 46 head at the Montadale Classic with 9 different exhibitors.

Nominations for the E.H. Mattingly Show judge were opened up. The first name threw out was Jimmy Davis. After a short discussion that name was retracted from the nominations. The following names were then nominated to be voted on by the board. Rick Klampe, Craig Beckmeier, Mark Johnson, Alex Wolff. Kent Moenter moved that the nominations be closed. Chad Marshall second the motion. Motion carried, nominations were closed. Ballots were then handed out and votes tallied. Results were: 1st choice, Alex Wolff. 2nd choice, Rick Klampe. 3rd choice, Mark Johnson.

On line ewe sale: Discussion continued on having an online bred ewe sale the Fall 2017. Chad Marshall handed out a document with information gathered from Willoughby Sales on what we need to discuss. I have attached this document to the minutes for your information. The board decided that it should not be labeled as a bred ewe sale. It will be called the Montadale Elite Female Sale and the dates will be October 22-23, 2017. The dates will help in transportation with the NAILE being a close date and where folks should be able to line up transportation if they are unable to attend. Chad Marshall and Mary Hawaaboo will serve as chairpersons for this event. We will limit the entries to 15 total for the first year then reevaluate as need be.

Discussion on the Fall Momentum and Breeders Directory followed. Positive comments were expressed on the level of participation we saw for ads and again it was discussed that we feel this is a worthwhile publication and we will continue to help the Smith Family promote and keep the magazine going. Kendra had been working on a breeders directory and will complete sometime shortly. Option to ad this into the next publication of the Momentum or have a stand alone directory.

It was decided that the Monday night feed held during the National Show and Sale in Sedalia will be continued by the Association. Mary Hawaaboo made the motion that the Association continue this event. Tom Clayman second. Motion carried. Kent and Angie Moenter had hosted this event for many years and with Kent's departure from the sheep business he will serve as the Senior Advisor and the Board will continue what has become a Sedalia Tradition.

Director Terms: Mistake was made and the fall nominations were not sent out. It was determined that current directors would get their terms extended 1 year. There is an open position in District 1A which is Pennsylvania and the upper East Coast. Mary moved that we consider adding a Junior member to the Board of Directors. Mike Maroska second. Motion carried. Richard and Kendra will work on a letter and application for any interested Junior to apply for the position. There will be a link on the website and a social media blast once the application has been made.

Kendra proposed a schedule for Directors to write notes for the Banner. All were in favor.

Schedule of Fees were discussed. Tom Clayman made the motion that Sr. dues be raised to \$40 with no deadline or raise in fees if not paid before April 15. Richard Jacobsen second. Motion carried. Mary Hawaaboo then made the motion that paperwork will be held until dues are paid to the Association office. Kendra will keep AccuRegister up to date with member due payment. Tom Clayman also moved that the Jr. dues be raised to \$15. Chad Marshall second. Motion carried.

Kendra mentioned possible rebranding. She will get together with Red Barn Branding, Novel Design and The Banner to explore some options towards this and report back by mid spring.

Kent Moenter moved to adjourn the meeting. John Coers second. Meeting adjourned.