

Minutes - American Guinea Hog Association

Board of Directors, September 7-13, 2019

OPENING: The electronic meeting was called to order on September 7, 2019, and was hosted Angela Ingraham

ATTENDING: Officers: Angela Ingraham, (President), Jack Rowland (Vice President), Tori Rozanski (Secretary), Susan Neal (Treasurer)

Directors: Michaela Densmore, Seth Wright, Matthew Hunker, Wendy McDaniel, Susan Williamson, Donna Hertlein, and Becky Mahoney

A quorum was reached.

Minutes of the June-August 2019 meeting were approved and entered into the record.

Financial Reports for May, June, and July 2019 were submitted by the Treasurer and entered into the record.

Measures Voted On	Outcome
Vote to retain Susan Williamson, DVM as Association Veterinary Consultant after she steps down from her position on the Board.	In Favor - Densmore, Hertlein, Hunker, Ingraham, Mahoney, McDaniel, Neal, Rowland, Rozanski, Williamson, Wright Against – none
Friend of the AGHA Member drive – Allow for a temporary \$5 annual dues reduction for this membership category. This reduction will expire on December 31, 2019.	In Favor - Densmore, Hertlein, Hunker, Ingraham, Mahoney, McDaniel, Neal, Rozanski, Williamson, Wright Against – Rowland
Membership Drive – Allow for a \$5 temporary annual dues reduction when choosing the auto renew option. This reduction will expire on December 31, 2019.	In Favor - Densmore, Ingraham, McDaniel, Mahoney, Neal, Hertlein, Rozanski, Williamson, Wright Against – Hunker, Rowland
For the Record: After the close of the June-August meeting and before the start of this meeting, the Board electronically voted to approve reimbursement of an additional \$350 in expenses to cover a last-minute increase in the member incurred expenses associated with representing the AGHA at the Pennsylvania MEN Fair.	In Favor - Baker, Densmore, Hertlein, Hunker, Ingraham, Mahoney, McDaniel, Rowland, Rozanski, Williamson, Wright Against – Neal

GENERAL DISCUSSION & REPORTS

Board Policies & Procedures Manual – Angela Ingraham presented Susan Neal’s initial rough draft of the Board of Directors Policies and Procedures Manual. Editing will continue.

Insurance Update – Angela Ingraham has received, from the Minnesota Council for Non-Profits, the names of two additional insurance companies. She plans to contact them in hope of getting a more reasonable bid on Board Insurance.

Becky Mahoney suggested the Board look into forming an umbrella club over the Association that would then provide liability insurance as part of being that Club. She used the Optimist Club as an example. If the AGHA was to form as an Optimist Club, specifying several projects that target youth (i.e., youth AGHA membership scholarships, youth AGHA mentoring programs, or youth online AGHA shows), then that Club might be able to provide liability insurance as part of being that Club.

It was generally agreed that after the additional quotes were received, the Board would also explore the Umbrella Club idea.

Annual Meeting Venue/Community Forum – Tori Rozanski suggested the Board consider adding a Social Network App to the website and using it to provide a place, independent of Facebook control, where the Association could have a topically-organized AGHA community forum in order to:

1. Provide a platform for conducting the annual membership meetings.
2. Provide a streamlined, orderly venue in which the AGH community can discuss and share AGH related info.
3. Create a private, AGHA controlled page where Board meetings can take place.

It was generally agreed to further pursue the forum option.

Caps and Brochure Sales via Website – Methods for featuring AGHA caps and brochures and possibly the AGHA Zazzle items on the AGHA website were discussed. Response to the new brochures has been good. The Board agreed to further explore featuring items on the website.

Herd Dispersal in Case of Death of Breeder – Options for helping members prepare for dispersal of their herd in event of a member's death were discussed. Wendy McDaniel gave an example of what she has done to prepare. It was generally agreed that the Board would add a section to the Breeders Handbook that would cover preparing for herd dispersal in the event of breeder death.

Upcoming Director Elections – Susan Williamson and Deborah Baker have resigned from their Board positions. Donna Hertlein and Wendy McDaniel positions are up for re-election. Both Hertlein and McDaniel plan to run for re-election. The Board will announce the upcoming election and seek nominations for these openings.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned on September 13, 2019 by Angela Ingraham.

Minutes prepared on October 6, 2019 by Victoria Rozanski, Association Secretary