

AGHA board member meeting

Minutes

March 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 8:07, March 13, 2023 by Becky Mahoney, AGHA president. It was hosted on Zoom with board members participating by video and phone. A quorum was reached.

Attending:

Becky Mahoney, President

Pam Christensen, Treasurer

Laura Dykstra, Secretary

Jack Rowland

Michaela De

Matt Hunker

Donna

Minutes from January 12 board meeting, approved with the following corrections:

Michaela 2 corrections. "Enter" financial reports, time adjourned

Michaela moved to approve, 2nd from Matt. All in favor.

(Matt and Laura will review what minutes need to be added to the website and update those.)

Treasurer's report, Pam Christensen

Trial balance explained: Trial balance shows that the correct debit and credit balance was used.

Taxes: Discussion on filing 1099 form

Motion to enter the financial reports into record: Michaela, Matt seconded. All were in favor.

Newsletter:

Felicia and Jeremy Brevard have volunteered. Quarterly basis, through Mail Chimp. 1st one in April, then July, etc.

***Laura will set up a new Mail Chimp account that will be passed on from secretary to secretary. This will be used to send newsletters as well.

Committee Reports:

Registration task force:

Member meeting held earlier in the week. Members liked the idea of choosing their own prefix for their farm and within the database.

Every member should have a tag/herd prefix, regardless of choice for 840 tag or tag prefix tag.

Forms Committee volunteers: for forms to be adjusted/created, required fields, "buttons" for choices on the online forms, field for choosing 840/tag prefix choice:

Becky, Jack, Michaela, Pam. Pam will chair this group.

Motion to Vote, to implement unique tag ID within the database with a start date of November 1, 2023. Motion by Michaela, 2nd by Donna and Pam. Most in favor, Matt opposed. Noted that the forms are not in place yet for people to be in compliance.

Jack noted that the ear tag needs to be in the thicker part of the ear, not the thin part.

(Add to handbook, the correct placement of eartags).

Stud Certificate: Stud cert put off until the meeting in May.

Breeder handbook:

Matt updated on the handbook. Meetings scheduled for breeder handbook group. Michaela, Matt, Becky, Laura.

Breeders Assistant License.

Motion made by Jack: For the board to allocate up to \$200 for a third license for breeders assistant, for Michaela to learn the system: Laura 2nd.

Motion made, approved, all in favor.

(Secretary's note here...the motion was actually stated with Michaela's name as part of the motion. Do we need to amend this after the discussion involving Donna's interest. Becky restated the motion when we reviewed and said it did not involve Michaela being named. Hour 1, Minute 44, about 30 seconds)

Mother Earth News Fair(s)

Mother Earth News Fair at Dalton, attended by Kenneth Bullard.

Future MENF events:

Pennsylvania (Erie), July

Kansas (Lawrence) April

Wisconsin (West Bend) September

Original vote by e-mail: The motion had been made and seconded that we set a limit on reimbursement of \$350 per Fair to apply to mileage (travel directly to and from the Fair @ .50/mile), hotel (max 2 nights), and 1 meal/day (x 3 days). Receipts will be required for reimbursement along with an AGHA Expense Report. Person (whether Board or regular Member) will submit an article and photos to be used/shared in our newsletter and/or FB pages.

Discussion on funding for other similar events as they come up:

Restated motion, to approve \$350 limit regardless of total expenses, for Mother Earth News Fairs.

Michaela, 2nd by Donna. All in favor.

Old business

Facebook group for AGHA members.

AGHA public page noted. This is a different private group for members only.

Motion to notify membership by MailChimp e-mail, by Michaela. 2nd by Donna. All in favor.

New Business:

Policy discussion on transfers, potential new policy submitted by Jack.

Bylaws discussed. Policy is different than bylaws. Legal issues and thoughts discussed.

Motion to table discussion until the next board meeting. Michaela, 2nd Pam. All in favor.

Motion tabled until the next meeting. Will need a vote to remove from table to reopen discussion.

Motion to reimburse Becky for legal fees paid. Laura, 2nd by Michaela. All in favor.

Future topics:

Michaela: Noted advertising needs, to consider as a topic for the next meeting. Countryside, Mother Earth News, etc.

Pam: Updating the hog census

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 EST.

Next board meeting tentatively: May 4.

