

AGHA Board Meeting

5/5/2022 8pm est.

Opening

The meeting was called to order by Becky Mahoney, AGHA president at 8:06 pm est. The meeting was hosted on the zoom platform with board members participating by video and phone. A quorum was reached.

Becky Mahoney, President	Michaela De
Jack Rowland, Vice President	Seth Wright
Pam Christensen, Treasurer	Wendy McDaniel
Matt Hunker, Secretary	Donna Dorminey
Laura Dykstra	Koertland Beyer

Minutes: The minutes were read aloud. A vote was cast by Jack to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Wendy. The vote passed.

Treasurers Report: Pam, the new treasurer, stated that they are still working on changing the email and the bank information. There is some delay and Susan is working on fixing the transfer.

Question about the minutes: The question about the minutes being on the website. Matt will email all board members a copy of the minutes. Jack stated that he could put the approved board meetings on the website.

Vice President decision: Laura previously stated that she would think about becoming the VP and would give her answer at this board meeting. She said that she would be willing to become VP with the opportunity to reevaluate before 2023.

Pam cast a vote to approve and a second was cast by Michaela. The vote passed unanimously.

Committees update:

Board Policies: Susan not present

Bylaws Review: Koertland spoke to the lawyer. The lawyer is requesting \$500 and hour and is recommending a thirty minute conversation. The Board can appoint interim directors until a quorum is reached. A interim director will be presented for election at the next membership meeting, where their position is wither voted in or a new director takes that nomination. There needs to be a 90 day prior notification to active members for nominations. 15 days before the meeting, the secretary determines the membership status of those on the membership roles. A 5-10 notice is then given to the membership about the upcoming meeting. A quorum is reached with 10% participation. The question about lowering the number for a quorum to 5% was brought up. That would mean the association with 400 members could reach a quorum with 10 people and a simple majority with 11. The worries of possible so few people being able to govern the association was cited. The question of why a quorum was not obtained at the previous membership meeting. The idea of paper ballots was brought up, with many members not wanting to join an online meeting. The Board may hold membership meetings that are not the annual meeting. The possibility of sending out a postcard directing them to the website and having the voting open on the website for a few weeks was brought up.

Ethic Review: Seth stated that there were no updates.

Finance Committee: Pam stated that there was nothing new to report. She and Becky would be working on fixing the issues with the bank.

July 7th-Date for board member nominations

Aug 4th or before-solicit nominations for members bio; the bios are required to be returned by Sept. 1st

Nov. 3rd-notice for membership meeting

Laura brought up an ethical discussion about her being the regional 3 director and how to insure that the position isn't influencing sales. If the sales request came from the regional director email, then the director needs to present all options for the buyer but if the sales request comes from another source then the director can sell without worry about ethical concerns.

MENF Koertland has the literature and banners for the Kansas MENF. It may be too late to advertise in the MENF program. Koertland will be getting in touch with them to find out.

Wendy stated that she will find out the price for new address stickers for the brochures.

Livestock Conservancy breeder accreditation the draft copy email was sent out and AGHA has a committee looking into the accreditation. Michaela brought up what the possible cost for the initial accreditation and renewal would be. That information is currently not available.

The next board meeting is on July 7th on zoom.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and the meeting was adjourned at 9:26pm by Becky Mahoney.