



**American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

January 16, 2024

7 PM CST

Zoom

Attendance: Justin Ransom (President), Ben Binkley (Vice President), Sharon Holman, Kerry Paul, Danny Jones, JR Howard, LeAnn Winters, Brian Faris, Doug Gillespie and Karla Blackstock (Executive Director)

The meeting was called to order by President Justin Ransom at 7:02 PM CST

I. Minutes

The minutes were presented to the Board of Directors meeting from the December 19, 2023, meeting by Karla Blackstock. Kerry Paul and LeAnn Winters made corrections to the minutes. Charlie Taylor made a motion to accept the minutes, pending corrections and was seconded by Sharon Holman. Motion passed.

II. Financial Report:

Karla Blackstock presented the year-end financial report. There are quite a few miscoded expenses throughout the year. Karla will work with Robert Morris to correct the errors. Karla explained the process of how invoices are entered into the system and coded. Kerry Paul motioned to table the financial report until the errors are corrected. LeAnn seconded. Motion carried. Within the financial statements, Karla Blackstock discovered that a money market account had been depleted and fees had been incurred monthly since March 2023. Karla is working with the bank representative to recoup those fees. Kerry Paul motioned to move the minimum of \$2500 into the money market account so that the account does not incur any more fees. Doug Gillespie seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. Executive Directors Report

Karla Blackstock reported on ADSBS staff activities, registrations, and membership activities. Registrations and transfers are down, 190 and 395, respectively. However, membership renewals are coming into the office steadily and as of Jan. 15, 42% of current members have renewed. Karla

IV. Old Business

a. Committee Reports

- i. Youth – Karla requested that Diane Moy, Tom Clark and Danny Jones be approved as the scholarship committee. LeAnn Winters moved to approve the committee. Kerry Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- ii. Finance – Doug Gillespie moved to table the approval of the FY24 budget until after a finance committee is put together. LeAnn Winters seconded the motion. Motion passed. The finance committee will meet within the next 30 days.

V. New Business

a. Duncan

- i. Auctioneer – Gabe Spikes will be the sole auctioneer for Duncan. He does bring a back-up in case he needs it.
- ii. Concession – Karla to follow up on the concession at Sharon Holman's request. The concession in 2023 was very slow.
- iii. LeAnn Winters requested a cost analysis.
- iv. Charlie Taylor requested that 2 boys from the Stephenville Fair Grounds help

- with penning. They will be paid through the facility charges.
- v. Currency Counter – Karla will check with Willoughby regarding a currency counter.
 - vi. The board concluded that there will not be a mandatory semen testing requirement.
 - vii. Karla to put together a “sale checklist” for the Spring 24 DR.
 - viii. Charlie Taylor will come to the Feb. meeting with a recommendation on shavings.
 - ix. Ultrasound – A bid from Oklahoma State to ultrasound lambs at \$4 / lamb. Brian Faris motioned to ultrasound all lambs at Duncan. Sharon Holdman seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Motion passed.
 - x. Carcass evaluation – Kerry Paul to work with Ohio State with Dr. Garcia on the carcass evaluation. He will also work with a local packing plant to schedule the lamb processing.
- b. There will be a face-to-face meeting in San Antonio from March 15-17, 2024. Brian Faris offered the competitive events space at the San Antonion Stock Show and Rodeo grounds to avoid meeting room fees.
 - c. Doug Gillespie requested that our application for registrations add that breeders will “consent to any genetic testing that ADSBS deems necessary to verify parentage or other factors. There was a discussion around the statement. Sharon Holman motioned to table Doug Gillespie’s suggestion until the board has more information. LeAnn Winters seconded. Motion carried.

VI. **Adjourn** – A motion was made by Sharon Holman to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Ben Binkley. Motion passed. The meeting ended at – 8:34 PM CST. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held February 21, 2024.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Karla Blackstock.