



American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2024

7 PM CST

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

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

I. Minutes

The minutes from the September meeting and the September 30 special meeting were distributed. LeAnn Winters made a motion to accept the minutes with one correction. Charlie Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed. The minutes from the September 30 special meeting were discussed. They are to be distributed for approval by email after clarifying the sale order for Mid-America.

II. Financial Report:

Karla Blackstock presented the financial report, which included the year-to-date overview and September monthly numbers. LeAnn Winters made the motion approve the financial report. Kerry Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Executive Directors Report

Karla Blackstock reported on ADSBS staff activities, registrations, and membership activities. Karla also discussed the Dorper Journal. The Board provided some topics of interest for the Dorper Journal and will get any additional ideas to Karla.

IV. Old Business

- a. Election – Karla Blackstock provided an update on the election. No action was taken.
- b. Duncan –
 - i. Judges – Pieter van Schalkwyk has agreed to judge the Mid-America in Duncan. There was discussion around an associate judge. Charlie Taylor made the motion to ask Dr. Shawn Ramsey to be an associate judge. Brian seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - ii. Ultrasound – Karla will reach out to Dr. Lisa Surber to ultrasound this year.
 - iii. Auction – Karla to put out a request for auction services for the online portion.
- c. Judge Ethics – The judge ethics will be distributed by email after adding in ethics for exhibitors as well.
- d. Staff COLAs
 - i. Sharon Holman made a motion to accept the staff cost of living adjustments as presented by Karla Blackstock. Doug Gillespie seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- e. Committees
 - i. Finance – The finance committee will distribute an email with a specific proposal on how to shift the Simmon's bank investments so that they are best for the Society.
 - ii. Youth – Karla Blackstock discussed the NAILE sponsorships.
 - iii. Member Education Services – Brian Faris will work to finalize a meeting in October.
 - iv. Research and Data– Kerry Paul discussed correspondence from Darroll Grant.

V. New Business

- a. Digital Registry – Kerry Paul made a motion to move forward with contract negotiations with Digital Ovine. Charlie Taylor seconded the motion. Discussion included a brief walkthrough of the online system. The system will be able utilized as a registry first, but can also accommodate flock management, EBVs and information on Typing. Motion carried.
- VI. **Adjourn** –Ben Binkley moved to adjourn the meeting. Brian Faris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Karla Blackstock.