

Montana Hereford Association
Board of Directors
Minutes
June 15, 2007

Vice President Cory Dutton called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, June 15, 2007 at the Yogo Inn in Lewistown, MT during the Montana Jr. Beef Expo. Directors present were Vice President Cory Dutton, Matt Beery, Ace Diemert, Jay-De Eggen, and Ken Jackson. Secretary Lorrie Wacker, Treasurer Tom Spraggins, Junior advisors Becky Sidwell and Deb Andras, Dennis Barker, Shannon & Brody Jackson were also present.

GUESTS:

Tom Spraggins, Treasurer went over the C.D.'s we have with us and how he is handling our finances. He questioned if we wanted to continue with just him as treasurer or having the Secretary also with a checkbook. It was also suggested that he puts in last year's year end column on the report. Lorrie will send him our budget and he will set the line items up accordingly.

The financial statement is enclosed. The C.D. renews each January for 1 year. Currently it is \$17,636.27 with 6.85% interest. The Premier savings account is \$8822.64 with a 1.45% interest and the checking account has \$986.80.

Deb Andras, outgoing Junior advisor reported Montana is responsible to host a day at the Jr National Hereford Show in Denver this July. Mohican has agreed to provide the bottled water. She wondered what the boards thoughts on Host Day were as far as money and man power. The money that Junior Nationals receives is all run through the Youth Hereford Foundation. Ken Jackson made a motion that if for the \$2500.00 sponsorship, from the Seniors and Juniors each, we get the advertising package or if we are too late, we will donate \$2000.00 and the \$500.00 to go towards the Host Day. If we do get the advertising package we will donate \$500.00 to the Montana Host Day also. Jay-De Eggen seconded. Motion carried.

The board agreed to use our map for advertising and add the names of the Senior and Junior Directors on it. It was suggested to look into getting jerky and something from Wheat Montana for the Host Day. Tom Spraggins agreed to ask Wheat Montana about some items.

She also stated that each state has their own booth space and the Montana Juniors are working on their decorations for the booth.

Deb also talked about the Travel Assistance Fund that the Juniors have set up. If a Junior helps with a committee and fundraising and attends the set number of meetings they qualify for travel assistance to go to Junior Nationals or the PRIDE convention.

Tom questioned how often he should be paying Lorrie and the board agreed he will pay her every 6 months.

Ace reported MT Stockgrowers want us to advertise in their biannual issue. Matt Beery made a motion to continue to run the same ad. Ken seconded. Motion carried.

The board decided the deadline to pay dues next year will be January 1, in order to get in on all the advertising the Association does throughout the year. Lorrie will list the paid members in the next newsletter and if they aren't paid by 2 weeks after the newsletter goes out, they will not be included in the advertising or maps. It was suggested to take the map to Stockgrowers, newspapers and Junior Nationals.

Ace Diemert made a motion to allow Ben Brillhart to put his ad with ours and he will pay for half of the ad. Ken seconded. Motion carried.

Jay-De made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as they were mailed out. Matt seconded. Motion carried.

Cory Dutton reported Dale Sands has stepped down as president of the association. Cory has stepped up into his place. The board agreed they want Dale to continue on as a director.

Cody Haber and Don Broesder have missed 3 consecutive meetings, therefore bylaws state they will be automatically removed from the board and a new director shall be appointed by the board. Ace made a motion to get a list of the nominees from convention and contact them to see if they are interested in running again. Ken seconded. Motion carried. Ace will e-mail the nominees to the board and they will let Cory know what their vote is. Ace will also let Don and Cody know what the board decided to do.

Jay-De made a motion to hang our MT Hereford Breeders map (paid members only) at sale barns and to put them out the end of this summer and early fall. Matt seconded. Motion carried. Lorrie will have the newsletter out by June 30 and announce that 2 weeks after the newsletter is sent out, the members need to be paid in order to be on the map.

The board decided to have convention on November 3 in Bozeman. They also recommended it be at a motel with a convention center, restaurant and lounge. Cory mentioned a local group of fiddlers for entertainment. Speakers that were suggested were: Dr. John Patterson, Clint Peck, Kit Pharo, and some others. Ace will call Mr. Warnecke, a cow-calf / feedlot operator from Hebron, North Dakota to be a speaker at convention. The board agreed to invite cattle buyers and feedlot representatives that feed for CHB to the convention and provide them their meal. The directors will get a list of names to Lorrie for who to send invitations to.

Ace and Matt updated the board on the Meadow, South Dakota meeting they attended.

Matt suggested having a booth at Stockgrowers convention.

Deb Andras is going off the Junior board as an advisor and Matt and Krista Beery have been elected to replace her. Ace made a motion to accept Matt and Krista as Junior advisors. Ken seconded. Motion carried. Deb thanked the board for all the help they have given her over the past years.

Discussion was held about the Montana delegation to Kansas City. No one at the meeting was interested in attending.

Sponsorship for the MT Jr. Beef Expo was discussed. Ken made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the MJBE. Matt seconded. Motion carried.

Nothing has happened with the field day yet.

Ace suggested since the Bull Spectacular is not going to happen this fall, all of us that are able to go, will go to the Bull Spectacular October 20 in Alberta and check it out. Let Lorrie know if you are interested in going and we will set it up to carpool.

Jay-De made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ace seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 a.m. The next meeting will be the first part of August in Great Falls during the State Fair on the Hereford Show day.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorrie Wacker
Secretary

Cory Dutton
Vice President