

Minutes  
Montana Hereford Association  
Board of Directors  
January 8, 2006

The Board of Directors met via conference call at 8:00 p.m., Sunday, January 8, 2006. On the call were, President Ken Jackson, Vice President Jay-De Eggen, Byron Bayers, Don Broesder, Fred McMurry and Secretary Lorrie Wacker. Directors not able to be on the call were Cory Dutton, Della Ehlke, and Cody Haber.

Since the minutes of the previous meeting were not yet available, Fred McMurry made a motion to table the reading and approval of the minutes until the next meeting. Don Broesder seconded the motion and the motion carried. As requested, Lorrie Wacker will mail the minutes of the meetings to the directors.

No financial report was available. The directors were not sure of who is on each committee. Lorrie Wacker will contact Stacie Buzanowski about getting the minutes from the previous meeting and the list of committees.

Old Business:

Byron Bayers reported quite a few ads have already come in for the Directory. Della Ehlke and he will meet and contact more prospective advertisers. Their goal is to have the directory to the printers by February 1 and then it will take approximately 6 weeks before it will be mailed out. Byron asked if the directors want the directory printed Montana. Fred McMurry commented he was in favor of getting it done locally, if it was feasible. Byron commented with enough advertising sold, the directory should cover the cost, plus make a profit. Byron will check into the cost to have the printing done in Montana. Fred McMurry made a motion to authorize the committee working on the directory, to work out the details of where it is published, as long as the amount is within the budget. Don Broesder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Byron Bayers reported he thought the Convention was going to be held in Miles City this year. He also commented that some of the committees are still up in the air. He doesn't think they got settled to well at the last meeting. Don Broesder questioned the dates of the convention. Byron suggested early December. Fred McMurry thought November worked like this previous year for weather. He also expressed lots of potential for a very good turn out of attendees at the Convention in Miles City.

Byron Bayers reported Dale Sands is helping him with the Tour. Currently they are working on the bus details, starting in Great Falls and working from there. Byron has talked to most of the people on the route and things look good for the tour. He questioned if a 3 hour bus trip in the evening back to Great Falls is too much after a days tour. Fred McMurry suggested staying at a motel. Byron thought then we would have to make it a 3 day tour. Don Broesder commented on not spending enough time at each stop, if there are too many stops on one day. Discussion on when to have the tour. Byron commented North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska are all having tours mid September and first part of October. Fred suggested having the tour later in October. Jay-De Eggen questioned if later in October people will be moving their calves. More

discussion was held about the route of the tour. Don suggested other points of interest in the area could be the Charlie Russell Musuem, the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, Fort Benton, etc. Byron also suggested the Falls at Great Falls would be an interesting site. Byron will plan on 2 buses (100 people). Once he gets the buses pinned down, he will draw out a few different route options and stops for the tour and mail them to the directors to look over before the next meeting.

Ken Jackson asked about breaking the state into districts. Byron Bayers thought it was just broke into the east and west.

New Business:

Ken Jackson reported Bob Bleeker is stepping down from the Director position due to being too busy and not able to make the meetings. Ken opened the floor for nominations. Don Broesder suggested the next high vote getter. Byron Bayers questioned if anyone kept track and knows who that is. Ken commented this position is to finish a one year term and will need to be re-elected at convention. The replacement also needs to be from the Eastern District. Ken reported Stacie Buzanowski has volunteered and Byron reported he thought Lawrence Hess is also interested. Ken will call Lawrence and ask if he is willing. Byron made a motion that the board nominate Stacie Buzanowski and Lawrence Hess as candidates for one of them to fill an unexpired term of Bob Bleeker, with the understanding the directors will e-mail their vote within the next few days to Ken. Fred McMurry seconded the motion and the motion carried. It was suggested that Cody, Cory and Della are all aware of what is taking place.

Ken Jackson asked about setting up the next meeting. Byron Bayers requested having it with another cattle event. Don Broesder commented he starts calving the end of the January. Fred McMurry suggested getting together within the next 6 weeks. Byron will get tour information to the directors and then Ken will call another conference call meeting. Anyone with any suggestions or ideas about the tour should e-mail them to Byron. Fred recommended giving out a Lewis & Clark book at the tour.

Don Broesder questioned what was happening with the web site. Ken Jackson reported Della Ehlke is now running it. Don has some contacts in his area he will ask about the web site. Byron Bayers suggested looking into the web site as far as who is going to run it and what we are going to have on it. Don suggested it should be updated at least every couple of months.

Fred McMurry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Broesder seconded and the motion carried. Ken will let everyone know when the next meeting will be.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorrie Wacker  
Secretary

Ken Jackson  
President