

SLABA Board of Directors Meeting

10:00A.M.-12:00 P.m.

Get Back to Grass Sale@ Pitchfork Ranch

Athens, Texas –

October 12, 2013

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Paula Kluding, President of the SLABA Board.
- II. **Members Present:** Paula Kluding, Pat Ahr, Robert Teague, Barbara Welch, Charlie Waldroff, Mark Roesler, Shelly Pyburn, Stuart Pyburn
- III. **Executive Board:**
 - President:** Paula Kluding, Mc Loud, Oklahoma
 - Vice President:** Pat Ahr, Mico, Texas
 - Secretary:** Barbara Welch, Kerens, Texas
 - Treasurer:** Shelly Pyburn, Pipe Creek, Texas
- IV. **Regional Directors:**
 - Pat Ahr, Mico, TX
 - Paula Kluding, McCloud, OK
 - Shelly Pyburn, Pipe Creek TX
 - Stuart Pyburn, Pipe Creek, TX
 - Mark Roesler, Pearland, TX
 - Robert Teague, Alvin, TX
 - Charlie Waldroff, Needville, TX
 - Barbara Welch Kerens, TX
- v. **Quorum:** Met Quorum with 8 members present.

VI. Approved Past Minutes: President Paula Kluding asked that the minutes from the prior meeting be approved. We have accepted the resignation of Shawna Taplin. Motion to approve was made by Barbara, Second by Mark. **Approved**

VII. Approved Treasures Report by Shelly -We are in good shape financially, PayPal is working, and renewal thing is giving a message working on getting it fixed. We have technically forfeited our corporation status, misinformed by accountant in 2012. But Dorothy did some research on how to correct the paperwork. Shelly filed all paperwork and then received a letter saying it will take 4-6 weeks to correction to place.

Basically, ALR said we could use their tax exempt status and filed with state of Texas and lost status. Paula asked if we had anyone else that could do taxes and Mark stated we didn't need anyone to do them, just needed to file franchise papers. Motion made by Barbara, second by Charlie and Stuart. **Approved**

VIII. Juniors' Report-- Labor Day weekend open show was successful, 94 entries. One problem was the judge. He was the same from the previous weekend, which was the same judge he hired in June, with this being said we lost 24 entries because of the kids knew how this judge was already going to place them. We still came out with profit of \$4200; paid back \$ 5000 and put back \$2,000 lost last year from TJLA and put back \$2,000 for this year.

Shelly stated that's the first time juniors have covered their own expenses. Looking forward to next year show! The fee **is due on Nov. 1st** for that show. If they want to continue the show on Labor Day weekend need to find new location, Dripping Springs, Texas has new facility, or Wimberley. Another major show on Labor Day weekend, we are covering South Texas portion.

Renting arena has been a hassle, Insurance companies are charging \$1,000 per day; juniors' ended up with \$420.00 for the insurance that was the hardest. Mark suggested check with Farm Bureau. South Texas show will not have a Lowline breed 2014, Robert stated the reason was it was being held in the middle of the work week, but in 2015 looks like they are going to have show on a weekend, and it will be an open show. Ronnie has donated his place, to allow kids to have their own thing there, to get to know each other.

Robert asks that we add Mrs. Coffey as a 3rd advisor to the junior group, Barbara made motion, Seconded by Pat and Paula. **Approved**

IX. Sales Committee Report: Houston show, Larry and Mark sent out bids. Charlie said, we had an issue with Canterbury, not doing what he said he was going to do. Charlie and Mark stated they liked him and that he paid us in a reasonable amount

of time. Mark continued with, they negotiated a better deal with Canterbury than Effertz, based on sales. Mark stated that he is concern about not getting paid. Maybe need to have a contract and we come up with it.

Charlie stated not sure anyone else could do it. Sale in Houston was successful and did a good job.

Auctioneers need to be bonded and current auction permit for the state the auction is being held in. We will need to make a contract and board to review.

We are **not** sure Effertz would abide to contract and not sure of anyone else to be auctioneer. Concern would be having someone that doesn't know the cattle and we would be responsible if the sale is down.

Paula suggested if auctioneer does not agree to contract, the sale could be skipped until agreement or maybe have an online sale.

Pat suggested maybe somebody that knows other cows and could expand the Lowline breed.

Shelly stated that was good idea, they could do research about Lowlines, maybe someone young and ambitious for someone aggressive and good. Be prepared to look outside the circle for auctioneer.

Motion made by Barbara seconded by Mark, Charlie, & Shelly. Approved.

X. By-Law Committee Report/Updates

Barbara: we got 35 out of 108 Approval / disapproval forms as of Saturday, October 12. There were **33 -yes 2- no**. Barbara explained that Robert's concerns are already in By-Laws and haven't read other issue. The Revised By-Laws were signed by Barbara as Secretary of SLABA. All the Board member agreed and signed a copy to keep on file locally. Barbara will mail the original copy to Texas Secretary of State.

SLABA By-laws are revised so that the Certificate of Formation and Bylaws are in compliance with the TBOC. The revised and approved corporate documents shall be submitted by SLABA Secretary to the Texas Secretary of State for immediate recording.

Motion to approve by Paula, Seconded by Pat and Barbara. **Approved**

- XI. **Up Coming Shows:** AGR Winter Bonanza show in Stillwater is Dec. 15th, is open to anyone. They are having a Lowline show. Talk about doing a good purse to get kids involved and will include Oklahoma, Paula said if the purse isn't good kids are not interested. Kids want to be part of Club Calf.

Motion made by Paula to make the purse a Maximum \$1,000 per state and just cover our region; Seconded by Shelly, Barbara, Pat and Mark. Approved Unanimously. Therefore, Paula will sign the agreement with **Oklahoma Youth Expo**.

- XII. **Houston Show**, Lowline judge: **Brandon Callis** – El Reno, Oklahoma;

Check-in date is Thursday, March 4th.

The Lowline Sale is Friday, March 5th at 2:00pm.

The International Lowline Show is Monday, March 10th at 8:00am.

Release on Wednesday, March 12th immediately following the show--out by 5:00 pm.

Paula Kluding has been in contact with Ty from Holiday Inn. Who suggested paying with rooms from SLABA then the members use pay pal and pay SLABA for rooms? Reserved 30 rooms in past, SLABA pay ahead and members pay SLABA. Holiday Inn prefers credit card or cash for rooms. Maybe charge processing fee if SLABA is paying.

Dinner & Auction: this Mix and Mingle Banquet

Charlie will be in charge of sit down dinner and at no cost to SLABA.

Paula suggested that still get the Juniors involved with an Auction, come up with an agenda and have time limit. Motioned by Paula and **Approved Unanimously.**

- XIII. **New business** – A motion was made by Paula to reimburse Barbara for funds she spent on making and mailing the By-Laws Booklets and Voter Ballot booklets. Board approved unanimously.

Election of New Board:

Mark expressed concern that we are rushing to get Board in place; maybe waiting for more votes to coming in. Barbara: we got 36 returned election ballots out of 108. You rarely get a 100% return on ballot voting. It is important that we get the 9 new people coming in and try to get them transitioned by Houston. Barbara went on to say, “so they do not feel as lost in the meeting as I did when I came on in Houston. It is very frustrating feeling lost, confused and concerned that you are not doing what needs to be done or want is expected of you at a very important and big show.” Pat added things weren’t organized, like who was bringing donuts and whatever else was needed. This is why we are trying to resolve the early confusion.

Voting Ballot Results are as follows:

Bill Cabaniss-

Barbara Welch-

Robert Teague-

Dorothy Ahr-

Mike Hudlow -

Brian Jackson-

Mark Roesler-

Craig Walker-

Charlie Waldroff -

Paula and Shelly suggested drawing straws for term of years. **Unanimous approval**

- XIV. **Other business:** For the next agenda:
A member suggested on gate signs that we change signs to member since.
Charlie suggested life time membership for a lump sum.
Mark stated we had a great board, being active and trying to get more involved.
- XV. **Adjournment of meeting:**
Motion made by to adjourn by Paula and seconded by Barbara. Motion carried
unanimously.

Meeting adjourned!

Secretary,

Barbara Welch

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10-12-13

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