

Western States Dorper Association

Regular Business Meeting Conference Call

November 5, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Lewis at 5:05 PM. The Facilitator of the meeting was Paul Lewis and the Note Taker was Marilyn Redden.

Attendees: Paul Lewis (President), Jim Ashmore (Vice President), Harry Owens, Marilyn Redden, and Emily Vincent.

Introductions were made of all in attendance, due to two new Board meetings being on the call.

Minutes

Agenda Item: Annual Meeting date and location

Discussion:

Paul Lewis stated that in the past, the Annual Meeting has been held at the Reno All-American Show and Sale. He reported that the sale may not go on at the Nugget in 2014. The WSDA bylaws require that the date of the Annual Meeting must be set six months in advance of the meeting. Therefore, the Association needs to either coordinate to have the Annual Meeting at the West Coast Production Sale (if it continues) or at the WSDA Sale discussed in the next agenda item.

Action:

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Western States Dorper Association's Sale to be held on Memorial Day weekend in Orland, CA.

Agenda Item: Western States Sale

Discussion:

Paul Lewis discussed the possibility of the Association taking over the West Coast Production Sale (WCPS) and renaming it the Western States Dorper Sale. Per the discussion at the September Board meeting, the founding members of the West Coast Production Sale have offered to let the WSDA take over the sale.

Paul proposed that the Sale would be run the same way as the WCPS. In prior years, it has cost less than 10% of the entire proceeds to run the Sale. If the Association takes over,

- The entry fee would be non-refundable.
- 10% commission across the board; however, we may be able to refund the entry fee.
- We need to evaluate what kind of participation and funds we would receive.

- Profits would go into the Association.
- The location of the sale would be in Orland. There will be better room available in 2014 since the sale will not be in conflict with Chico State's graduation. The sale would be on Memorial Day weekend.
- Susan Crane, the Manager of the Orland Fairgrounds will prepare the catalog and do the clerking free of charge.
- Jane Patten has offered to work with the Sale Chairman and committee on the sale.
- There will need to be extensive advertising regarding WSDA taking over the sale.

Action:

Jim Ashmore moved that the Western States Dorper Association take over the West Coast Production Sale since it will promote the breed and awareness of our Association. He amended the motion to also state to have the Annual Meeting held at the Western States Dorper Sale. Harry Owens seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

After the motion was passed, Paul requested Marilyn Redden to be the Sale Committee Chairman. Jim Ashmore and Emily Vincent volunteered to be on the Committee. Emily volunteered to look into free advertising for the Sale.

Agenda Item: By-law revision

Discussion:

Jim discussed his proposal to amend the by-laws to include a provision on removing members from the Board. Paul provided some background regarding the reason for the proposed amendment. Emily suggested that the wording "without cause" be eliminated from the proposed amendment. Paul suggested tabling the by-law revision until Jim can check into how this change would apply to Montana. It will then be discussed and ratified at the next Board Meeting.

Other Items:

- All members of the Board of Directors will be up for re-election at the Annual Meeting in 2014. This will be the first time that the Board has been elected after the by-laws were passed.
- Paul will e-mail the Board of Directors the date of the next meeting.

Jim Ashmore moved and Harry Owens seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by

Marilyn Redden

