

# **KHSI Board of Directors Meeting Teleconference September 16, 2021**

President Robert Walker called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM EST.

Board members present: Robert Walker, Howard Covington, Karen Kenagy, Cindy DeOrnellis, Larry Weeks, Mandy Fletcher and Dan Turner. Alan Culham was also present.

Robert asked the board to review the minutes of August 6. Dan moved the minutes be accepted as presented. Howard seconded the motion and it passed 7-0. Robert then asked the board to review the minutes of August 19. Howard moved to approve and Karen seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Alan presented the treasurer's report which also included the year-to-date profit & loss and the balance sheet. Cindy moved to approve the treasurer's report. Mandy seconded the motion and treasurer's report was approved 7-0. Alan also provided the July registration and membership report. The Expo financials will be reported in October as there are a couple outstanding items.

Howard has been researching better investment options for the KHSI reserves. He and Alan will provide investment options from several reputable sources at the next meeting.

## Old Business

### NSIIP Grant – Dan

Dr. Lewis presented the first webinar to explain the possible changes in date when the gEBVs go into effect. The committee has not yet expended any grant funds, but several of the committee will propose a way to help the participants offset a portion of the cost of genomic samples, as well as compensating the speakers of the seminars. KHSI and NSIP were each budgeted \$2,000 for administrative fees and Alan will prepare an invoice for the reimbursement.

### Website Upgrade – Alan

The contractor has examined the web site and developed a new directory. He will receive training on administering the site.

### Hair Coat Inspection – Howard

The testing video is complete and has been turned over to the Operations Office. He suggested an email blast announcing the upcoming inspector test. Training will be necessary for those submitting animal videos for hair coat inspections. The quality and content do not allow for a competent inspection. Larry suggested we continue to pursue our own YouTube channel.

### Committee Assignments - Robert

Howard moved to accept the updates to the committee assignments. Larry seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0. The updates will be posted on the website. Additional updates will be forwarded to Alan.

## New Business

Alan noted that KHSI presently recognizes two different types of youth memberships. This could possibly create registration issues as the youth become full members. Alan will talk to the registry office about options for handling in-family transfers.

Howard moved that no photos be posted with the classified ads on the website. Larry seconded the motion and it passed 7-0.

Robert provided additional information on Etienne Richard's request to scrape data from the KHSI website. He manipulates NSIP data to determine inbreeding coefficients in potential breeding groups. The KHSI information would be used to populate his spreadsheets with pedigree information. Dan moved to allow Etienne to scrape the data from the KHSI website and Larry seconded the motion. Howard questioned the value of requiring a password to access pedigree and breeder information, given that this information can be "scraped" with or without the board's permission. Alan asked if the inbreeding tool could be added to the breeding information accessed by password. Dan and Robert responded that the tool would not work if located behind the password. Cindy questioned if this tool was used as the only means to determine breeding groups and Karen responded that she used it as a tool in determining breeding groups. Larry called for a vote and Robert requested a roll call vote.

Larry-yes, Dan-yes, Howard-no, Karen-yes, Mandy-yes, Cindy-abstain. Motion carried 4-1-1.

Alan proposed the attached 2022 Hairald publication schedule. Howard moved to approve, Karen seconded the motion and motion passed 7-0.

The board plans to hold an in-person meeting in November. The date and location will be set at the October meeting.

Alan reported that the AFRI grant had been approved and that KHSI's support lent considerable weight in the approval process.

Alan requested mailing addresses for the honorary members.

Larry questioned the association's policy regarding registration transfers by non-members. Policy states that only members can register sheep and non-members can transfer sheep.

Dan announced that Michelle Canfield and the NSIP committee would host a webinar on Oct. 13 that explains how to "mesh" the data between LamPlan and NSIP.

Howard asked about the scanner that Jim Morgan was to return to the Operations Office. Robert noted that KHSI would continue to pay the rental fee until the end of the agreement and advised the board to let the matter rest. He will contact Jane Smith and Jim Morgan to see if the issue has been resolved since the board last met.

Next meeting: October 21 @ 8 PM EST

Howard moved to adjourn and Cindy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 and Robert adjourned the meeting at 9:34 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cindy DeOrnellis