

**ARPA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Kentucky Beef Expo - Louisville, Kentucky**  
*Minutes of March 2, 2018*

The meeting was called to order on Friday, March 2, 2018 at 6:00 pm EST by President Mike Reed

Roll call was done. Those in attendance were President Mike Reed, VP Brian Fairchild, Jim Jackson, Daniel Schmiesing, Kyle Young, John Rager, Chet Miller, J.L. Morrison, Teresa Jackson, and Kaye Gilbert. Attending by phone were Dan Womelsdorf and Jeff Wilkins.

Mike Reed asked for a motion for the agenda as presented. Dan Schmiesing requested the Secretary's report be moved to immediately after the Approval of Minutes. Brian Fairchild requested to move the hiring of the secretary to be after the Secretary's report but before the Committee report. **Dan Schmiesing made a motion to amend the agenda with those changes. A second was given by Jim Jackson. Motion carried. Chet Miller made a motion to accept the agenda with those amendments. A second was given by JL Morrison. Motion carried.**

Kaye Gilbert gave the Secretary's report regarding items that were still pending as well as a plan for transition to the new secretary once hired.

Chet Miller spoke regarding the application process. Brian Fairchild, John Rager, and Chet Miller conducted the initial screening with phone interviews. The committee narrowed the applicants to three and all three were present for a board interview.

Each applicant was interviewed by the board with ten-minute limits on the interview itself. After all three applicants were interviewed, the board took a vote. Each voted for one. The top two were taken and the board then voted a second time. After the voting, Ms. Kara Prather was selected as the new Executive Secretary. The committee would meet with Kara in the am to make an offer and discuss transition if the offer was taken.

The Show Committee then gave their report. The show did not have the needed fifty head walk through the ring, therefore, NAILE would not be helping fund the National Show in the future. Discussion was held regarding what ARPA can contribute. Projection was given for possibilities and Kaye reported on what was done in the past. **Kyle Young made a motion to allot \$2500 to the North American in 2018 as needed to fund the 2018 National Show. A second was given by Dan Schmiesing. Motion carried.**

Teresa Jackson handed out the Junior Committee report. She asked ARPA for a contribution to the Junior Preview show. Last year ARPA provided postage for the mailing of donation solicitations. No action was taken at this time.

Brian Fairchild and Kyle Young gave the National Sale report. They are currently working on advertising as well as booking auctioneers. Kaye volunteered to give the committee her contacts and information from when she has conducted sales in the area.

**Dan Schmiesing made a motion to accept all committee reports as presented. A second was given by Jim Jackson. Motion carried.**

Jim Jackson requested a conference call around the first of April. The next meeting was set for April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm eastern time.

**Jim Jackson made a motion to adjourn. A second was given by Chet Miller. Motion passed.**

## JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. The Spegal Family and I met January 27<sup>st</sup> following the Indiana Red Poll Winter Meeting at Gordon and Marie Jackson's home.
- a. Greg has everything well outlined for the Junior Preview Show.  
Important Dates include:
  - b. May 1—Packets will be sent to Junior Members. (We are still working on updating this list.)
  - c. Note: Sponsor information should be published in the Red Poll Beef Journal.  
If this issue does not come out by the middle of May, I see no reason to send out sponsor letters to every Red Poll member because we did not get enough response to justify the cost of the mailing last year's request.
  - d. June 1—Deadline for all entries and contest entries and sponsorships
- B. General Show Information
- a. Friday, June 22 -- Cattle arrive at the Shelby County Fairgrounds
  - b. Saturday, June 23 -- 9:00 all cattle must be on the fairground
    - i. 9:30 a.m.--Heifer check in and steer weigh in
    - ii. 11:00 a.m.-- Junior Activities including a trip to the local museum, lunch, meeting and ice cream social.
    - iii. National Director's Meeting and State Meetings to be scheduled
    - iv. 6:30 p.m.--Banquet
  - c. Sunday, June 24 --Junior Preview Show
    - i. Event opening at 8:45 a.m.
    - ii. Show at 9:00 a.m.
- C. The Junior Association would like to ask the American Red Poll Association to donate to this event. The donation would apply to the expenses for the weekend. Last year ARPA paid for the postage to mail sponsor letters.
- D. Additional suggestion was made that our young people need to be reminded of proper show attire. A proper show shirt, nice clean jeans, and appropriate appearance are expected.

Sincerely submitted,

Teresa Jackson, Junior Advisor

Advisory Board  
Becky Ebersole  
Jeff Bell  
Bryan Shuter