

**American Red Poll Association  
National Membership Meeting Minutes**

**October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
@ Connors State College in Warner, Oklahoma**

President Mike Reed called the meeting to order at 10 am CST.

Secretary Kara Prather reported thirty-eight voting members signed into the meeting.

Chaplain Brian Fairchild led an invocation to open the meeting.

President Mike Reed read the minutes of the 2017 National Membership Meeting held in Murray, Kentucky. **Dan Schmiesing made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second was given by Dan Womelsdorf. Motion carried.**

Secretary Kara Prather spoke on the new membership in the American Red Poll Association for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. **Dan Womelsdorf made a motion to accept the new membership as presented. A second was given by Dennis Schoenhals. Motion carried.**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Show Committee**

Jim Jackson presented the Show Committee report. The NAILE has cut the funding for the show because of the Red Poll having numbers under fifty. ARPA board voted to support the show up to \$ 2,500.00. NAILE will still order banners and ribbons in addition to obtaining judge, however, ARPA would be billed for those items.

#### **National Meeting and Sale Committee**

Brian Fairchild reported for the Sale Committee and that everything was going well. Also, that DVAuctions would be live for the Sale this year in hopes to get new buyers.

We are also looking for a place to have next years National Meeting & Sale, in hopes to rotate from year to year so everyone can participate.

#### **Junior Committee**

Teresa Jackson reported for the Junior Committee. She reported she had been working on a membership listing to have accurate information on the Junior Membership. The Stonebrook Scholarship is also available and ready for members to complete applications. She noted she wished to thank all those who helped, donated and that made the Junior Preview show possible. They are also looking for someone to host the 2019 Junior Preview Show.

Teresa Jackson also reported on the Facebook Page for the American Red Poll Association and had been maintaining the page. She requested if anyone had any questions on the postings of the page to please contact her directly.

Friday Nights Silent Auction at the Banquet brought in \$ 458.00 for the Junior Association.

### **Performance Committee**

Brian Fairchild reported for the Performance Committee. Brian spoke on the Connor's State Bull Test Facility and that they had 3 Red Poll Bulls who participated in this program and that they have done really well on the feed out program.

Dan Schmiesing reported the CHR participation and hopes to see it grow and continue.

### **Membership Committee**

Chet Miller reported on behalf of the Membership Committee. He reported on how the committee was working promoting and increasing new membership.

Mike Reed spoke on the membership, financials, and business side of ARPA. Also encouraging members to help promote, increase registrations, and membership.

### **Grass Feeding Committee**

No report was given for the Grass Feeding Committee.

### **Livestock Conservancy**

Jeff Wilkins reported on behalf of the Livestock Conservancy and that we advertise with them in exchange they advertise with ARPA at no charge to either party.

### **Publications Committee**

No report was given for the Publications Committee.

### **Bylaws and Rules Committee**

Jim Jackson reported on behalf of the Bylaws and Rules Committee and that there was nothing to report at this time.

### **Finance Committee**

John Rager presented the Finance Committee report. Discussion was held and questions were taken from the floor.

**Joe Jackson made a motion to approve the Financial Report as given. Jim Jackson seconded. Motion carried.**

## **Advertising Committee**

Dan Schmiesing spoke on advertising. Mike Reed also mentioned on different ways to promote the breed and asked that all the Breeders and Affiliate Associations are a key to the breeds success in growing.

## **Nominations Committee**

The Nominations Committee report and started the introduction to the nominees. Faron Daniel of Tennessee and Jeff Wilkins of North Carolina were introduced.

President Mike Reed asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Faron Daniel nominated David McCall from Kentucky. All 3 Nominees addressed the membership.

**Dennis Schoenhals made a motion to close nominations. A second was made by Joe Jackson. Motion carried. All 3 were accepted as new board members.**

## **Old Business**

No Old Business to be reported

## **New Business**

There were several affiliate Red Poll Associations representing at the National Meeting & Sale and President Mike Reed encouraged everyone to be involved in your local association.

Phil Wyrick and Andrea Young spoke on the Red Poll Breed and how to help promote and get the breed going in a new direction.

Mike Reed Donated a Red Poll Heifer and is Raffling it off during the Sale. All proceeds will go to ARPA.

**made a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second was given by Jeff Wilkins. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.**

Prepared By,

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Executive Secretary-Treasurer