

**American Red Poll Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, Oct 22, 2022  
Fort Smith, AR**

**Call to Order:**

President Chet Miller

**Roll Call:**

Board members present in person: Chet Miller, John Rager, David McCall, Joe Jackson, Brent Raines, Brian Fairchild.

Board members present on phone: Edsel Belyew, JL Morrison, Teresa Jackson.

Board members absent: Trevor McClurkin.

There were 28 voting members present and approximately 9 guests.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the October 22, 2021 Annual Meeting were presented. Brant Sanders moved to approve, and Brent Raines seconded.

**Election of new members:**

Moved by Dan Schmiesing, seconded by Brian Fairchild to accept the new member list that was in the packet.

**Committee reports:**

**National Meeting/Banquet/Sale committee:**

Mike Mammale reported that we had \$3500 in donations including \$500 from James Campbell which was used for the radio ads which ran for 2 weeks, 4 times per day. The balance was from private donors.

**Junior Association committee:**

A report from Teresa Jackson is attached at the end of these minutes. In addition to this Dan Schmiesing noted there were also Travel Awards given out to assist with the costs of traveling to the show and a Picture contest with awards. We have raffle tickets available. We are raffling off a "traveling BBQ" kit.

Teresa Jackson expressed her thanks to KY association and Adam Miller family and the other families that supported the 2022 preview show and special thanks to Bonnie Edgell and Becky Ebersole and Adam Miller for helping in her absence.

We are ready for the show at the North American.

**Finance committee:**

A financial report is attached in the packets effective Aug 31, 2022.

Dan Schmiesing asked about the endowment fund. He questioned where the income from the fund is on the report? Discussion on how the interest money is available to be used and that with the shift of money from the CDs to the new Annuity, the income would show up differently on the report.

The Raymond James Annuity is earning 1.6% which is up from the 0.6% we were earning at the CDs that were at Citizens Band and Stockyard Band.

Dan Schmiesing asked where the Wells Fargo fund is invested? It is in a mutual fund.

Edsel Belyew and David McCall were able to get unclaimed funds in an amount over \$2000 from KY and ~\$90 from MO.

Dan Schmiesing asked regarding the journal expenses on the report being higher than the income and that the journal needs to be self-sufficient. Chet noted that the journal fund still has a positive balance and that it sometimes happens that one journal might “lose” a small amount and the next journal might “make” a small amount and that the goal is to keep these amounts such that they balance out.

**Publication committee:**

Chet Miller reported that Regan Logan has resumed the position of chairman of the committee. We are looking forward to the upcoming issues. We need advertising to pay for the educational and other type of information that is published. Next deadline is Nov 15.

**National Show committee:**

Jim Jackson read the report that is attached at the end of these minutes.

**Membership committee:**

Chet Miller noted we had 177 memberships paid in the previous fiscal year and 41 new members. We had 485 registrations and 405 transfers. He will be emailing people that are on our email list and have not paid their annual service fee yet to see if they might pay. This was done last year and we had some pay.

**World Tour committee:**

Dan Schmiesing reported that the Tour has been delayed until Feb/Mar of 2024 and is to be held in New Zealand.

**Bylaws committee:**

Jim Jackson and Chet Miller presented the proposed Bylaw changes as shown at the end of this report. Each change was voted on individually and all received at least the necessary 2/3 majority vote of the members present.

**Nominations committee:** Directors whose terms are expiring: David McCall, Edsel Belyew, Trevor McClurkin. David is ineligible for re-election as he has served 2 consecutive terms. New potential directors nominated by the committee include Willard Gardner, Brant Sanders, Troy Hartschuh, Phil Wyrick, Edsel Belyew. A motion to close nominations was made by Joe Jackson and seconded by Kyle Young. Each of the nominees gave a speech about themselves. After voting, new directors elected include Willard Gardner, Brant Sanders and Phil Wyrick.

**Old business:**

Jeff Doll mentioned that we should be looking at increasing our rates for registrations and transfers and the CHR program. We need more revenue to offset increasing costs and to avoid losing money as an association.

**New business:**

Jim Jackson has received an email from a breeder in Australia wanting to know if there is interest in buying semen from 4 of their bulls. He has also received an email from a person addressed as the President of the Red Poll Society of Uruguay who expressed interest in buying semen/embryos from the US. Also, an email from BullShot.com regarding an advertising opportunity. The ARPA board has decided to have Jim send all 3 of these out as an email blast and put information on the website.

Teresa Jackson reported that we are now at 1000 members on our Facebook page.

2023 Junior Preview show. 2 states have been asked. MO is interested and waiting on a site approval.

2023 National meeting and sale. We are looking for a host. Brant and Robert Sanders have been approached about having it in TN.

**John Rager moved and Jay Coke seconded to adjourn the meeting.**

Submitted by Jim Jackson, Executive Secretary/Treasurer