

**American Red Poll Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, Sept 26, 2023**

Call to Order:

Chet Miller

Roll Call:

Present on phone: Chet Miller, Brant Sanders, Brent Raines, Phil Wyrick, Willard Gardner, Joe Jackson, John Rager, Edsel Belyew, Becky Ebersole, Jim Jackson.

Absent: Brian Fairchild.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the August 22, 2023, meeting was submitted for approval. Edsel Belyew moved to accept, and Willard Gardner seconded. Motion passed.

Finance committee:

Edsel Belyew noted that we are in good shape with quite a bit of income coming in lately from annual fees and sale entries and sponsorships.

We have \$980 in the advertising fund at the end of August.

Some discussion on amounts of registrations and transfers and annual fees received for the fiscal year.

Also noted that for the fiscal year we ended with a negative \$1200 balance.

Publication committee:

Phil Wyrick noted that the journal is operating in the black. Edsel looked up the current balance and we have approximately \$400 more in the account since we originally funded it.

Phil Wyrick remarked that Regan Logan was interested in representing ARPA at the Beef Improvement Federation (BIF). There is a \$100 annual dues for associations of our size. Phil made a motion to allow Regan to represent ARPA at the BIF for the next year. The motion was amended to include that ARPA would pay the \$100 dues. John Rager seconded the motion. Motion carried. Edsel Belyew requested that Regan report to the Board on any meetings/calls she attends.

National Meeting/Sale committee:

Brant Sanders noted that we are ready to go. We currently have 31 reservations for the banquet and was thinking that we needed a minimum of 40. The thought was that we would have some walk-ins and that we should continue to have the banquet.

We have sponsorships totaling \$2750 and entries fees of \$2325.

It was noted that \$1000 was figured into last year's sale as profit for ARPA. It was noted that we shouldn't do that this year. If we have more income than expenses then the surplus should go into our operating account. Phil Wyrick moved that any surplus funds after all expenses are paid it should go into our general fund. Brant Sanders seconded. Motion passed.

National Show committee:

Jim Jackson noted that the show will be on Tuesday Nov 14. The Red Angus show starts at 8:00 and the Red Poll follow at the conclusion of the Red Angus. Cattle can arrive starting at 6pm on Sunday thru 10am on Monday. Entries are due by Oct 10.

Nomination committee:

John Rager noted that the committee was recommending Gary Taylor, David McCall and Leo Young.

A lot of discussion occurred regarding the sentence in the Bylaws that reads. "A Directors who has served for all or portions of two consecutive terms shall not be eligible for reelection for a period of one year following completion of the second term."

New Business:

Jim Jackson noted that he received an email from the World Tour with their itinerary and that it was requested that it be sent out to our membership. He would forward the email to the board and send out an email blast to the membership. Chet Miller noted that we should share this information at the annual meeting.

Brant Sanders noted that we recently discovered we do not have any liability insurance currently for ARPA. The last payment found was in 2019. He moved that we have our Executive Secretary get a quote on liability insurance. Willard Gardner seconded. Motion passed. It was noted that we should consider ~1 million dollars in coverage.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Jim Jackson, Executive Secretary/Treasurer