Large Black Hog Association

Meeting Minutes 7/11/2009

Present: Kay Wolfe, Linda Weems, David Dalan, Rima Kittley

Next meeting: TBA

Meeting was called to order @ 11:02 AM CST, 7/11/2009 by Kay Wolfe, President.

Roll call was performed by David Dalan, Secretary/Treasurer. Meeting was held via Skype Conf

I. Presidents Report

Not much news from Kay. Kay and Ken are selling LBH stock because they are moving. Kay is not resigning Presidency and still wishes to advocate for the LBH. As a lifetime member (and barring action of the Board to remove her) she is entitled to retain her position for the remainder of her term. Issues discussed during Kay's report included the status of the herd book and our general need to reduce the inbreeding in the LBH.

III. Board Member/Officer Reports

Nothing specific to LBHA report, no association activities.

IV. Registrar Report

Rima reports that membership has doubled since the last meeting. Rima is prepared to do trial breeding (based on registry information) as needed. 154 pigs are currently registered. Treasurer/Secretary now has remote access to breed software.

V. Marketing Materials

Kay will produce text for slicks/tri-folds. David's brother will provide layout for documents. Discussion included consideration of selling hats, t-shirts and other materials to raise funds for the association.

VI. Defender Boar/AI Projects

LBHA will purchase existing material from Kay/Ken Wolfe. *Expense approved by board*. We need to identify target sows, breeding facility or nominate someone to perform the AI. Stock produced on behalf of the LBHA will distributed in the following manner; boars will be sent where they can have the greatest impact on improving the breed and lowering the %CI in LBH stock. *Board voted to move forward*. *Individual roles are not yet assigned, with various members (David/Rima) exploring various options*.

VII. Pork Board

Question had in regards to providing information on the pork check off to new LBHA members. <u>Matter was discussed</u>. <u>Issue is largely regarded as beyond the scope of the LBHA</u>. No action was taken.

VIII. Hog Identification/Marking

Various identification options were discussed including tattoo, ear tag, pit/RFID tags and notching. Board unanimously agreed that notching will be the only formal means

of identification acceptable when registering pigs/hogs. It will be adopted as a portion of the breed standard per the bylaws.

UK British Pig Association Standard of Excellence is adopted unanimously by the board as the standard for the LBH. http://www.britishpigs.org.uk

X. Other Items/New Business

Bank update from VP concerning fund status and balance sheet.

Online Breed Book: Rima has the breed book online for registered members.

Should we link to a stock mapping project that allows a mashup showing where various kinds of stock (pigs in our case) are located. This is a farm by farm decision. *No action taken.*

Should we implement Annual Registration Caps? No action taken.

Next meeting: <u>September/October</u>

X. Adjournment 12:12 PM CST

Post meeting note (from this meeting and the April meeting): All bylaw revisions will require a vote from the Active membership. I will be facilitating such a vote on any revisions – **David Dalan, LBHA Secretary/Treasurer**

I confirm that the votes and results are accurately recorded above.

David Dalan Secretary/Treasurer Large Black Hog Association