

LBHA 2011 Q4 Board Meeting

Date: November 5, 2011; 8 to 9 pm Central Time.

Board Members in attendance:

Richard, Kelly L, Dave, Anthony, Felicia, Kelley E.

Activity

Meeting called to order at 8:09 pm

Presenter

Richard

Reports

Secretary/Registrar Report

Felicia

- 185 members
- 305 total contacts
- 80 NEW members since 3/21/11
- **HOGS**

- 698 Registered hogs not associated to Litter Certificates Only.
- 971 hogs attached to litter certificates only.
- Since 3/21/11 – have updated 355 hog registrations and created 678 hog registration events (including those only attached to litter certificates.)
- 27 open tickets awaiting additional information – 8 of those belong to 2 people.

Treasurer's Report

Dave

- Bank balance is \$8,126.
- Outstanding payment due Richard for receipts.

Committee Report – Outreach

Kelley E.

- 2 advertisements placed earlier this summer.
- Will repeat Hobby Farms ad.
- Breed Standards
 - Need Volunteers.
 - Harvey was nominated because he was not in attendance.
 - Need form letter for statistical information on hogs.
 - There will be a separate meeting for the Outreach committee.
 - Suggested that the more people to volunteer for Breed Standards would help to get a full picture of the breed from both breed stock and pork stock point of view.
 - Suggested (Anthony) that a person would need to go to each farm and see what is good and what is not desirable.
 - Photos would need to be seen of these animals to be able to compare and see which characteristics are prevalent from blood line to blood line and geographic area. (Kelley)
 - Suggested that the Board could allocate monies for farm visits to help with fuel costs. (Dave)
- Working on a packet for all new members.
- Suggested that preprinted labels for sending in information would be helpful.

New Business

LBHA Registration ID Standards

Felicia

USDA Ear tag issues have arisen due to accepting AIN tags for identification. The instructions on the web site state how to do it and which tags to use, unfortunately not all the pictures reflect this which caused confusion with the membership.

- We need to fix instructions. (Dave)
- There should be a disclaimer about the tagging that if the member is unsure, to please contact us first.
- Two farms had used the tags in the photos therefore tagged their animals wrong, believing they were doing it correctly.
- Richard moves to deny request for non AIN tags.
 - Dave seconded.
 - Passed.
 - Message to those who tagged inappropriately is to notch the hogs or buy the other tag.

NALB Litter Certificates – Ted Smith Registry.

Felicia

- The litter certificates are handwritten on a form.
- Felicia makes a motion to accept NALB litter certificates to register hogs with the same stringent verification as we do LBHA.
 - Kelly L. seconded.
 - Discussion:
 - If they have pigs they can register with us. (Dave)
 - Can validate the information with registration number. (Richard)
 - Would like to have more time to think about it. (Anthony & Dave)
 - Breeders who sent in money to create the litter certificate with NALB are unwilling to spend more money to register with LBHA as they are worried it will be the same situation. (Felicia)
- Tabled to email discussion.

Newsletter

Richard

- Would like to see us do a regular newsletter by email or mail.
- This is to remind people that we are here.
- Provide information about the organization and updates.
- Would include articles hopefully written by membership at large.
- Sent to Outreach Committee.

By Law Document

Richard

- Needs to be updated to reflect By-Law changes. Issue for Dave.

Email Meetings

Richard

- There is much confusion about what can and cannot be done through email.
- Robert's Rules has actually touched on this and will be given more thorough evaluation.

Board Position Staggering

Richard

- Explained again the reason for staggering.
- Richard will take a stab at figuring out the best way to do it.

Scheduling Next Meeting

Richard

- Tentatively set for January 21, 2012.
- Felicia will get feedback via email.

Meeting entered Closed Session at 9:19 pm

Richard moved to close meeting.

Seconded by Kelley E.

Meeting adjourned at 10:01 pm.

