

**Columbia Sheep Breeders Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Room 110 West Wing, Kentucky Expo Center
Louisville, Kentucky
Sunday, November 13 2016**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President, Sara Hildebrandt called the CSBA Board meeting to order at 9:00 AM, Eastern Standard Time in Room 110, West Wing, Kentucky Expo Center, Louisville, Kentucky.
2. **ROLL CALL:** The following Board members in attendance: Rolland Aschim, Marie Baumer, Weston Borchert, David Brown, Chris Crider, Billie Estridge (on line), Mike Geerts, Steve Hampson, Tom Hendricks, Sara Hildebrandt, Mary Langhus (on line), and Craig Pitt.
3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The Secretary's Report from the July 26, 2016 conference call CSBA Board meeting. The minutes were sent to the Board members in advance of the conference call, for review. Chris Crider moved to accept with one correction: Mike Geerts was in attendance and not Keith Stumbo. The minutes were filed as corrected at www.columbiasheep.org
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Charles Worm presented the financial report. Board members received a complete financial statement prior to the meeting for their review. The Board also receives complete financial statement emailed to them at the end of each month and quarter. The updated financial report for the 2016 year (beginning 12-1-15 and ending 11-31-16) is as follows:
 - A. Craig Pitt moved to accept the following financial report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
 - 1) The CSBA profit to date is \$21,573.13
 - 2) CSBA Net Worth as of 10.31.16 - \$90,395.53
 - 3) All American Registry profit as of 10.31.16 - \$13,655.01
 - B. Craig Pitt moved to move the Lawson Memorial CD now located in Ohio, to the CSBA bank account in Lakefield, MN. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
 - C. This and all financial reports (provided at the end of each quarter) have been filed for audit and can be found at www.columbiasheep.org
5. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

No additional items were added to the agenda.
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. History Book:** The agenda item of the History Book of the Columbia Breed of Sheep from 1992 to the present was postponed from the 7.26.16 conference call CSBA Board meeting. The agenda item was back on the table. The past information, accumulated by Dick Gerber for the years 1992 to 2006, has been recovered from past CSBA records. Greg Deakin has photos and results from 2006 to the present. Marie Baumer moved to move forward on Part II of a history book, with the help of Dick Gerber and Louise Worm. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - A. Survey Results:** David Brown summarized the annual membership survey results conducted with "Survey Monkey." The results will be published on the website and emailed to members.

B. Youth Support Committee Report: submitted by Marie Baumer (chair), Steve Hampson, Manda Davis, Jessica Manthe, and Kenadi Bredahl (Columbia Ambassador.) The Youth Support Committee conducted a conference call committee meeting on Wednesday evening, 11.9.16. The committee re-convened on Saturday afternoon, 11.12.16, in Louisville, Ky.

1) Jr. Association Advisor Report: Manda Davis

- Jr. Association Advisor summarized the convenience of the new display board. It has been used at a number of large events during the summer of 2016.
- Every National Jr. Show award was sponsored in 2016, reducing costs significantly.
- Wayne Busch will donate two lambs for lamb sticks for the 2017 NSS Jr. fundraiser.
- The Junior members have requested NSS help with learning activities such as fitting, showmanship, wool evaluation, and live sheep evaluation and judging.
- Income is up.
- The Junior members would like information regarding potential judges for the NSS show.
- The CSBA Board recommended the Junior members consider the development of an advisory group to provide support during the National Show activities.

2) Jr. Show Evaluation

It will be recommended to the NAILE that the Junior Show expand ewe lamb classes to include a January, February, and March and later ewe lambs.

3) Futurity Rules and Guidelines

Rules regarding the completion and submission of futurity forms were reviewed. In 2016, late and/or incomplete futurity forms were awarded ½ points. A re-evaluation of the rules and process was requested by a participating Jr. Association family. Extensive discussion was held to review the input given a number Jr. members and/or their families prior to the Board meeting. The Youth Committee also interviewed several active, Jr. futurity, participants about the rules, and that input was shared with the Board. The committee also obtained feedback from the Jr. Association families affected by the ½ points awarded in 2016. David Brown moved to omit the Superintendent's verification date on the futurity form. The motion was seconded, there was no additional discussion, and the motion passed unanimously. No additional changes were made to the futurity rules. No adjustments were made in the points awarded in 2016. The amended futurity rules and form are on CSBA website at www.columbiasheep.org.

4) Stipend for Ambassador—Rolland Aschim moved to provide the CSBA Ambassador with a \$500 stipend. The motion was seconded and discussed. Craig Pitt moved to amend the motion by striking "\$500" and replacing with "\$250". The amendment died for want of a second. Mike Geerts moved to amend the main motion by adding the words "up to" before the word "\$500." The amendment was seconded and discussed. The amendment passed unanimously. The amended motion which states, "The CSBA will provide the Ambassador with a stipend of up to \$500" was passed unanimously with no additional discussion.

C. National Show and Sale Committee Report: submitted by Craig Pitt (chair), Rolland Aschim, Weston Borchert, David Brown and Louise Worm-2017 NSS Host

- 1) Wes Limesand is unable to judge the 2017 NSS. Nominations were made and voted upon for a replacement. 1-Ryan Hendricks, 2-Dave Pearson, 3-Doug Bayliss, 4-Jeff Held.
- 2) Craig Pitt moved to set a hard deadline of April 15 for entries and advertising. Entries may be made until noon on June 7, 2017. Any entry made after April 15 WILL NOT be printed in the SOC sale catalog but will be posted in the on-line catalog. There will be NO double entry fees. The

motion was seconded, discussed, and passed with a vote of 10 for and 2 opposed (Brown, Hildebrandt.)

- 3) Bob Padula, Montevideo, MN, will judge the 2017 Wool Show.
- 4) Dr. Mark Wagner, Fairmont, MN, will be the NSS veterinarian. He has requested the help of two to four individuals to assist with check out.
- 5) Based on the member survey results, the committee will seek CSBA member sponsors for all NSS awards.
- 6) Also from the survey, there will not be a Junior and Senior Champion. Structure will stay the same.
- 7) An updated budget for the 2017 NSS in Spencer, Iowa, was presented.
- 8) The veterinarian's health check will be held immediately after the ram weigh-in on Wednesday. This is a major change from past NSS schedules.
- 9) The most recent issue of the SOC has the complete NSS schedule and hotel information.
- 10) The "Rules and Guidelines" for the National Columbia Show and Sale has been edited, updated, and printed in booklet form. All Futurity Rules are printed in this booklet. The edited rules booklet can, also, be found on the CSBA website www.columbiasheep.org.
- 11) Charles and Doelene will develop a list of responsibilities and timeline for the NSS Chair.

D. Membership /Promotion: submitted by Billie Estridge, (Chair), Sara Hildebrandt, Susan Littlefield, Jim Marshall, Candy Peplin, Luanne Wallewein. See separate report.

- 1) David Brown moved that \$250 be sent to the Montana Columbia Sheep Producers, to assist in the promotion of their 60th Sale. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 2) The Membership/Promotion Committee submitted several recommendations regarding ASI and NSIP. No action was taken by the Board.
- 3) Mike Geerts moved to budget \$1,000 for regional advertising and sales. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

E. Commercial/Production: submitted by Mary Langhus (Chair), Raina Blackman, David Brown, Daniel Charlton DVM, Douglas Hitch, David Kloostra, Whit Stewart (technical advisor.)
See separate report.

- 1) The committee was commended for its forward-thinking committee work. The Board encouraged the committee to continue moving forward with their agenda. No specific action was taken by the Board of Directors at the Louisville meeting. The committee report can be found on-line at www.columbiasheep.org.

F. Executive Committee: submitted by Sara Hildebrandt (Chair), Billie Estridge, Mike Geerts, Tom Hendricks, Craig Pitt. The committee met using a conference call on November 2, 2017.

- 1) David Brown moved a preferred judges list be accumulated by the Executive Committee and brought to the next Board meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 2) Mike Geerts moved future CSBA Winter Board meetings be held using technology to ensure all Board members are able to participate without undue expense. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed by a vote of 6 in favor (Crider, Borchert, Geerts, Aschim, Langhus, Brown) and three 3 opposed (Hampson, Pitt, Hendricks.)

G. Audit and Budget: submitted by Mike Geerts (Chair), Chris Crider, Tom Hendricks, Charles Worm. The committee met on 11.13.17 in Louisville, Ky.
All details for the 2017 Budget and 2016 Annual Financial Statement are available on-line at www.columbiasheep.org.

- 1) The CSBA Board approved the 2017 Budget and 2016 Financial Statement by acclamation. Mike Geerts expressed his appreciation for the concise and accurate monthly financial statements sent to the Board each month by the Executive Secretary.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Contract renewals

- 1) Chris Crider moved the contract with Banner Publications be renewed to publish three issues of the *Speaking of Columbias* magazine with the following caviots:
 - A hard deadline of April 15th be set for submission of entries for the SOC Sale Catalog so the catalog is mailed no less than one month before the NSS.
 - Consignors shall be limited to a 50 word description for each lot entered in the NSS.
 - Page 3 in the SOC shall be reserved as the information page and index for the SOC.
 - Preferential advertising pages be given to CSBA members first.The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed unanimously.
- 2) Craig Pitt move to renew the contract with All-American Registry for 2017. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3) Craig Pitt moved to renew the Executive Secretary's contract for 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Silver Bell and Person of the Year Recognition

- 1) Craig Pitt moved to accept the recommendation for presentation of the Silver Bell Award at the 2017 NSS in Spencer, Iowa. The move was seconded, discussed, and passed unanimously.

C. 2018 National Show and Sale Location

- 1) Weston Borchert moved to accept the bid compiled by David Brown to hold the 2018 NSS at the Complex in Gillette, Wyoming, from June 11-16, 2018. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed unanimously. David Brown will serve as the oversee of the 2018 NSS

9. ADJOURNMENT

There was no other business and President Hildebrandt declared the meeting adjourned.