

United Braford Breeders board meeting
04/04/2022 VIA ZOOM 7:00PM (central time)

Attendees:

Johnny Harris
Dr. Jim Harvey
Katelin Hyman
Charles Johnson
Robert Mills
David Owens
Elliott Stanton

Proxies:

N/a

- Meeting called to order by Elliott Stanton.
- Statement of Purpose read by Dr. Jimmy Harvey.
- Minutes from the previous meeting read by Katelin Hyman.
 - Changes need to be made to the following:
 - Elliott Stanton would present possible conflict of interest & fact finding for the WBO.
 - Larry would stay on board to help with the transition to ARBI - not to stay on the board.
 - Nominating committee nominated Katelin as VP, not Elliott Stanton who was the new president.
- Motion to email the corrections out by Dr. Harvey, seconded by Johnny & Charles.

- Elliott Stanton read off March '22 statement; no changes since Houston.
- Robert asked that since the bull development program is not active, how does the money need to be dispersed. Dr. Harvey said that Rhea is aware, the money needs to be earmarked for consignors, not put into the main account.
- Elliott opened the conversation for any questions or concerns.
 - David asked where the deposits were coming from - explanation from Charles.
- David made the motion to approve the financials, seconded by Katelin.

- In regards to old business, Larry gave an update on the process of transiting to the ABRI database. Said the data dump was not loaded yet, but the system had been developed enough to upload the system's remote software at Kingsville office. Then it would be ready for testing. Robert asked about the response time, Larry said it ranged from overnight to a few days. Currently, no timeline on completion.

- David asked about the cost - i.e. minimum number to register, cost/hd. Larry explained that there is an upfront cost once the system is built, maintenance fees plus software usage. There is no additional cost once we reach “X” number of head. Just the maintenance cost & usage.
- In regards to progress, Larry said that our data looks “clean” & we will need another dump (Quickbooks on money owed). Dr. Harvey asked if we would continue with business as usual, Larry said there would need to be a 2 or 3 day shutdown or “hold” on Kingsville while the system was offline.
- Michelle Johnson, head of the youth committee gave a quick update on the NJBA & the 2022 All American.
 - The Board of Directors meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, July 8th.
- Elliott gave an update on membership. Currently sitting at 67 adult members, 82 juniors versus 2021 with approximately 125 juniors & close to 75 adults.
 - Issue is that members without inventory did not get a renewal notice. Emma would send them out this week.
 - Elliott opened the floor for questions -
 - Robert asked why the renewals just stopped? Elliott said Bailey caught it, told Emma - but nothing was done before she quit.
- Elliott wanted to waive late fees. David made a motion to waive the late fees, Dr. Harvey second. All in favor, none opposed.
- Elliott presented an update on the Executive Director position.
 - Working on a job description currently. Think that there needs to be a title change.
 - Concerns about where the money would come from to hire a full time executive.
- After lots of discussion, a group consisting of Elliott, Dr. Harvey, Johnny, Robert & Charles would meet later in the week to revisit the subject.
- Elliott then touched base on the WBO -
 - Said that it was put to bed for now; with all the email blasts, Facebook posts & committee (68ish people) involvement he thought things were going in a positive direction with good momentum.
- Elliott touched based on scholarships & sponsorships.
 - Currently;y \$1000 for Johnny Harris/Greenview Farm’s scholarship. \$600 for the Adams & Mideyette scholarship.
- Elliott also went over the 11 current committees. Mentioned the 10ish vendors that want to advertise in the Braford News.

- Following the update, Angelia Conner with the Public relations & marketing committee gave a quick overview of their call.
- Katelin Hyman followed with some general talking points from the commercial programs committee from the week before.
- Hayden Hyman presented some information from the Junior Breeder Development committee.
- Melissa Montemayor followed up with the International board.

- Elliott then opened the floor for questions or concerns.

- Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2nd.
- Johnny Harris made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Dr. Harvey second. All in favor, none opposed.