

Minutes of the
Texas Lamb Breeder's Association
December 7, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Texas Lamb Breeders' Association held a meeting on December 7, 2011 at the Mason County Courthouse in Mason, Texas. Those directors present were Kevin Fritz, Jason Jacoby, David Whitworth, Billy Reagor, Jimmy Simmonds, Sarah Brister, Shawn Ramsey, Troy Ruffin, Pat Jackson, Craig Barton, and Brent Drennan. Also present were Susan Fritz and Greg Knopp.

President Ramsey called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. It was moved by Jason Jacoby and seconded by Jimmy Simmonds to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed.

The Secretary then gave a financial report for the year and in comparison to last year. It was noted that at the present time, we have \$82,719.00 in our checking account. It was also moved by Jason Jacoby and seconded by Jimmy Simmonds to accept the financial report as presented. Motion passed.

President Ramsey passed out the proposed changes in the by-laws of the constitution for directors to look at and comment on.

It was discussed that an addition to section 2.05 and 2.06 should be "that a 2/3 majority would be necessary".

Jimmy Simmonds moved to accept the by-laws with the change discussed in section 2.05 and 2.06. Seconded by Craig Barton. Motion passed.

The President noted the success of the web page this year and advertising in publications. The TLBA website has had 6,000 visits and 120,000 hits. Full page ads were run in the Purple Circle and Drive magazines. Also, a TLBA brochure with names and addresses of our membership were handed out at all the shows during the breeder recognition program.

There was discussion on possible banner ads on the TLBA website. It was noted by Greg Knopp that any income generated from these ads would have to be noted as unrelated business income.

President Ramsey stated the skillathon would be held with the San Antonio Livestock Show again this year. He would appreciate any help and support during this competition.

New Business was called for at this time.

Jason Jacoby gave a proposal on a combination voucher and cash program for this year's TLBA allocation of funds. He noted the advantages of the combination program and the disadvantages of the program.

There was then much discussion on the current system used now and the possible voucher and cash system. It was noted that both systems would have advantages for all involved.

Jimmy Simmonds moved to continue with the same system of distribution of cash at the major shows. Seconded by Craig Barton. Motion passed.

There was then discussion on how to incorporate hair sheep into the payout schedule for Ft. Worth and San Angelo.

It was moved by Brent Drennan to give an addition \$1,500 to the San Angelo Stock Show to spend as they wish. Seconded by Jimmy Simmonds. Motion passed.

It was to be noted in the minutes that the money generated from hair sheep this year was added to the San Angelo Stock Show funds.

There was then discussion on the possibility of moving validation back to mid-September from the current end of October date we have now. This would need to be discussed with Dr. Craddock.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was given by Billy Reagor and seconded by Kevin Fritz. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.