The meeting of the Judges Committee was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 8:02 pm EST on Nov. 13, 2018. Linda Hayes, Kelly McWhorter, Fran Soukup, Mindy Reid, Steve Auld were present.

Minutes for the October meeting were approved via e-mail and submitted to the ILR office by Fran

Old Business:

Questions have been submitted for all the areas to be covered by the 2019 Open Book test. The committee approved the questions submitted by committee members and committees. Darrell will go ahead and combine all the questions into the final format. Darrell also will look into using an internet format for sending out the test and also to ease return of the completed tests.

Lauren Wright has requested approval as a Fast Track H P Y judge. She has attended an H P Y clinic and three letters of recommendation have been submitted. Fran made the motion to accept Lauren as a Fast Track judge after paying dues, and taking the 2019 Open Book Judges Test. Kelly seconded the motion. Motion passed.

New Business:

Cynthia Ernst has submitted a request as a Fast track H P Y F judge. Three letters of recommendation have been received. However, Cynthia needs to attend an H P Y clinic and complete an H P Y mentorship. She also needs to attend a Fleece Clinic or an 8 hour mentorship. In addition, she will need to pay judges' dues and take the 2019 Open Book Test. Steve Auld moved to approve Cynthia Ernst to continue to proceed the above requirements for the Fast Track programs. Motion seconded by Kelly.

Fran provided an update on a Fleece Clinic for 2019. The dates of Sept. 20 - 22, 2019 have been selected. The venue will be at 4 Ladies and Me Llamas in North Carolina. There has never been an ILR Fleece Clinic in the southern or eastern USA. The ranch has appropriate facilities and llamas to provide a wonderful learning venue for fleece. Fran Soukup and Mary Jo Miller will be the clinic facilitators. Fran will continue to work on planning the clinic, including budget and scheduling.

Bonnie Doble has completed one fleece apprenticeship.

The date for next meeting is January 15, 2019 at 8:00 pm EST. Steve made the motion to adjourn, with a second by Kelly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup, Secretary.