

September 30, 2014 - ILR-SD Governing Board meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:00PM EST by GB Chair/ILR BOD Vice President - Sean Hart. Present on the call were Sean Hart, Harvey Pool, Pam Jensen, Tami Lash, Debbie Shallabarger. Niki Kuklenski, Rawna Hamann, Karen Baum and Dawn Moore. Debi Garvin had a conflict and was unable to attend the meeting. Lauren Wright was to join the meeting at approximately 9:00 PM.

GB chair - Sean Hart reported that Allen is gone from the ILR office in Kalispell, Montana. The office personnel are working through that issue to get the work accomplished.

Question was raised about the date, place and participation in the 2015 ILR-SD Gathering. It was indicated that for this year the event was to still be held in Des Moines, Iowa at the Iowa State Fair Grounds. Dates are June 19-21, 2015. The LFA will be joining with the ILR-SD for that event. Norris Berg is to be superintendent of the Gathering and will attempt to fill the clerks position. Norris Berg will pick the judges for the event, with Governing Board approval. Further, exhibitors will be able to use PayPal for paying for their entries as well as personal checks. Harvey Pool and Norris Berg will be the parties in charge of signing all checks.

Secretary's report:

There are still some GB members that need to approve the August 12, 2014 meeting minutes. Once the approvals are received, the minutes will be posted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fleece Committee:

Chair of the Fleece Committee submitted for approval an Optional Color class for the Fleece Division. This is a NON-POINT class.

There are new score sheets for the Fleece Division in Shorn Fleece and Fleece On judging.

After some discussion on the new Optional Color Class and the grouping of scores on the new score sheets, on motion of Pam Jensen, seconded by Dawn Moore, the Fleece Committee changes were approved.

The chair the Fleece Committee indicated that the old forms for scoring would have to be removed and the new ones inserted.

Further, the annualized weight chart is not in the current Guidebook. This will have to be inserted in the forms section.

New forms and weight chart are to be added to the website also.

Guidelines Committee:

It was indicated that once the changes from each committee are discussed and approved, they will be immediately sent for insertion in the 2015 Guidebook. The annualized weight tables for fleece will also be forwarded for insertion as they were missing last year.

Guidelines Committee will be meeting next week to review all changes and where they should appear in the 2015 Guidebook.

Halter Committee:

The halter committee resubmitted the proposal to require 3 offspring (instead of it being optional for 2 or 3 offspring) in the Get of Sire Classes. The halter committee strongly recommended that shows begin offering Production Pair if there are exhibitors who do not have enough entries to enter a get of sire class. The committee felt this would eliminate the problem, and that the traditional 3 offspring be required in the Get of Sire classes. Two offspring from a sire are not a get of sire.

Motion was made by Niki Kuklenski to approve the change to 3 required in Get class, seconded by Harvey Pool. Roll call vote was called for. Motion carried 7 yes, 3 no, 1 abstain.

Motion was made to offer Get of Sire, Produce of Dam and Production Pair (all 3 classes) at shows. Motion was seconded. Motion passed 6 yes, 3 no, 1 abstain, 1 not voted.

Judges Committee:

The question was asked what the procedure was for a judge taking a leave of absence from judging due to a health issue - do they still pay dues, take the judges test, etc. It was indicated that there is no protocol in place for such happening, and it was recommended that a letter be written to the Judge's Committee regarding this and it would be discussed and the person making the inquiry would be so informed.

The final form of the performance letter was sent to all GB member with a reminder that this needs to be sent to all show supers from the ILR office and also sent out to all judges for them to bring up at the exhibitors meetings at shows. We all need to keep this in mind. Chair of JC sent letter to all judges and apprentices regarding the Novice Performance letter, reminding them to do their part.

Chair sent out revisions of Novice Performance verbiage on two separate occasions for approval. Show superintendents are to be sent a copy of the revision by the ILR office. with a reminder to bring this up at exhibitors meetings.

Chair responded to letters from Steve Auld and Teresa Evenson.

Chair sent reminder for Novice Performance letter to Judges committee for their input and suggestions

Judges Committee received a Judge concern e-mail. Committee members felt action should be taken.

Teaching judge approval request was received from Barb Harris. Letters of recommendation were received from Maryan Baker, Judie Moser and Niki Kuklenski and Patti Morgan.

Question was raised as to why Deb Yeagle was not listed as a fleece judge. E-mail went out to GB to approve Deb Yeagle as Fleece Judge.

Request was made to approve Sean Hart as a performance and youth judge.

The following were actions by the Judge's committee that were approved by e-mail vote of the Governing Board:

- Approval of Barb Harris as a Teaching Judge.
- Approval of Deb Yeagle as a Fleece Judge.
- Approval of Sean Hart as a Performance and Youth Judge.

Chair sent letter to ILR office to list Barb Harris as halter, performance, you and teaching judge. Further, Deb Yeagle is to be listed as a Fleece Judge.

Judges committee held teleconference with Beth Myers invited. Minutes of said meeting were posted.

Committee finalizing Guideine changes for 2015.

Chair sent letter to ILR office to list Sean Hart as Performance and Youth judge.

The Judge's committee secretary sent a Policies and Procedure Letter to all apprentices and judges in lieu of Fall News letter with read and respond note. Secretary provided information that of the 49 judges and 12 apprentices for the ILR-SD only 22 had read the Policy letter to date. Discussion was had as to consequences, etc. A spreadsheet was sent to the JC and we will be looking at further action.

Youth Committee:

The committee chair indicated that she would be stepping down due to a health issue and that another committee member, Sharon Carrier, would be stepping into the position as chair of the Youth Committee.

The Youth Committee approved changes as follows for the 2015 Guidelines, and Governing Board approved.

- Youth may NOT show the same animal in both youth performance classes and open division performance classes.
- Junior Youth (under 11 years of age) are NOT permitted to show ANY intact males over the age of 18 months in ANY classes.

On motion and second, both changes were approved by the Governing Board.

The Youth committee requested permission to post on the ILR website "sample" Youth Judging test questions and the answers. This way the youth would have a chance to see what type of questions would be asked and not be taken by surprise. The Governing Board felt that this is something that could be accomplished.

Performance Committee:

Lauren Wright joined the conference call at this point.

The Performance Committee presented their proposal for handling the issue of animals in the open performance division being shown in the proper class, ie: Novice or Advanced Performance. Considerable discussion was had as to whether youth champions should be added to this championship tally. Motion was made to add senior youth championships/reserve champions to the tally. On a roll call vote this motion was defeated with a tie vote. Motion was made to add all youth championships/reserve championships to the tally. On roll call vote, motion carried.... Youth champions/reserve championships will be a part of the equation to determine that once a animal achieves 4 or more Grand or Reserve Championships they have to show in the Advanced division

(open show) and not the Novice Division. This tally is from any show association or open show with a minimum of five (5) in the division. Further if a novice animal has moved to the advanced division in any other show association, they must show in the advanced division in the ILR-SD. This change affects only the open division classes.

The proper wording for this will be forwarded to the Guidelines committee for insertion in the 2015 Guidelines.

Old Business:

UAP Points were discussed. This is being handled by the UAP Committee.

Question was asked if an e-mail could be sent out stating the changes to the Guidelines effective January 1, 2015. It was indicated that as often as people are encouraged to read the Guidelines, they do not get it done. Concern that all ILR and ILR-SD members are aware of the changes for performance and the youth not being able to show the same animal in youth and open classes.

The letter that the ILR-SD Judge's Committee put together at the end of September will no longer be effective as to points, and the new manner of counting championships/Reserve championships will take its place.

Concern was raised that there had to be some manner of enforcing the Guidelines and some recompense if an exhibitor violates the Guidelines. A disclaimer was to be prepared by the Guidelines committee and put in the 2015 Guidebook. The Governing Board is to review the Disclaimer and approve the wording.

There being no further business to come before the Governing Board, meeting, on motion and second, meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Jensen
Governing Board secretary

NOTATION: Prior to the posting of these minutes, it was learned that the 2014 ILR-SD Gathering will take place the weekend of June 12-14, 2015. Please mark your calendars for this event