Minutes of Show Management Committee January 4, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM CT by Co-chair, Matt Rector. Present on the call were: Darrell Anderson, Sandy Auld, Matt Rector, Pam Jensen, Lisa Robinson, Linda Hayes and Ron Wilkinson.

The next meeting for the Show Division Management Committee will be on February 1, 2017 at 7:00 PM CT.

Matt Rector indicated all meeting calls are being recorded as of this date. Matt will get a new conference number for this group and forward the same to Pam Jensen, co-chair.

First matter of discussion was the Gathering 2016 survey that was sent out by the Gathering Committee for the 2017 event. The survey indicated that the top three (3) reasons for attending the event were: #1, National Event, #2 Interaction with fellow llama owners; and #3 joint event with LFA.

It was indicated that attendees at the Gathering in 2016 were not happy with the manner of judging and scoring. The survey indicated that the majority of attendees would have preferred a double judged show, with the two judges alternating their placings in a class, and the average of both judges placings then making for a third set of placings, which would be the championship show placings.

This is the method that the 2017 Gathering will be using - 2 judges, alternating their oral reasons for each class, and a 3rd set of placings, being the average of each judges placings for the Championship Show.

The date of for the 2017 Gathering will be June 22-25, 2017 at Waterloo, Iowa, Cattle Congress grounds..

Under NEW BUSINESS, the first item of discussion was the number of ILR-SD shows lost/gained since the inception of the ILR-SD. Kristy Brown was going to pull this information together for this meeting, but she was unable to attend. Matter was tabled until February meeting.

Second matter under new business was how do we go about getting more youth involved in Ilamas..... 4-H clubs was the first issue discussed. Darrell Anderson indicated he gets lots of calls regarding Ilamas for youth and can they buy one at the March Madness event. Lisa Robinson indicated we could send out flyers to areas that already have a Ilama program in place giving information about

upcoming shows. It was indicated that 4-H participation depends on the area a person is in. Actually, the rural areas are not as active in 4-H as the more populated areas.

The matter of a youth scholarship was discussed It was felt that \$250.00 was a good level to start such program.

Lisa Robinson felt we should promote the Pot of Gold program more than is being done. Linda Hayes felt that the ILF could perhaps help promote and fund prizes in this area.

Linda Hayes indicated that the alpaca people have something that perhaps we could take things from. Also, RMLA has a very good booklet for promoting youth involvement with llamas. Pam Jensen offered to pay for the booklets from RMLA if this is the way we want to go.

The next matter of discussion was the Championship shows - Western and Eastern.....

Ron Wilkinson indicated that there was some discussion "floating" around about there being a Central Championship show in Indiana. It was indicated that the "talk" was about the Indiana State Fair hosting a Gathering. Nothing came of that and the matter was never pursued.

Discussion was had concerning the 2016 Western and Eastern Championship shows. Both were a success. Motion made by Darrell Anderson and seconded by Lisa Robinson. By unanimous vote the NAILE and OFFF are to hold the 2017 Eastern and Western Championship shows.

The SDMC wanted to make it known to the committees for both shows that the Championship Shows awards should be unique and special, and not the same as the ribbons given in the regular show. Therefore, the SDMC is requesting that in the Eastern and Western Championship shows, the awards be unique, representing a Championship Show, and different than the regular show awards. This is part of why each show is given ILR-SD funds - to be used for purchase of special awards.

Next item for discussion:

The SDMC would like to remind all SD committee chairs, that they need to call a meeting to vote for a new committee chair. Some committees did not have anyone running for the vacant position, and those committees should submit names to the ILR-BOD requesting they place someone in the vacant seat.

The next item that was discussed was the current computer program for the ILR and the ILR-SD. Inasmuch as the current website program is outdated and

cannot be supported by software, we need to find ways to make the existing program work. To create a new program is cost prohibitive.

Further, inasmuch as our two (2) current computer programmers do not do the work for nothing, we need to come up with a list of priorities for making our current system user friendly, and in particular the Show Manager portion needs to be user friendly. Pam Jensen said she would contact Karen Miller, who is more familiar with the program than anyone else. She can, hopefully, give us a listing of priority items that need to be fixed and we can then proceed to explore pricing with Allen and Paul.

Ron Wilkinson indicated that we need to be able to separate show reports with a championship show and 2 judges, thus 3 separate placings, in the reporting on Show Manager. We need it to show a placing for Judge 1, a Placing for Judge 2, and a Placing for the Championship show. That is very important.

Matt Rector indicated that the Ozark Classic show as cancelled .

There being no further business to come before the SDMC, and on motion of Darrell Anderson and seconded by Lisa Robinson, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38.PM CT.

Respectfully submitted by;

Pam Jensen Co- Chair