NLSBA

Teleconference call October 24, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Robin Meek, President at 8:16pm. There were 5 board members participating... Robin Meek, Emma Long, Deborah Vanderwende, Diane Klingelhofer and Christiane Payton.

The first topic under discussion was the upcoming NAILE show in Louisville. The board decided to raffle an American Sheep Industry 150th Anniversary Tote to raise money for the Junior Show. Debbie will follow through and add Lincoln items to the offering. There was discussion of how to collect from members not paying the head fee to NLSBA for the National Show. Robin will contact Jeff Ebert at the Registry for advice.

Wooster, Ohio has been the site of the National Show and Sale for several years and the board talked about other options as this will also be the site of our biennial meeting in 2017. Emma volunteered to contact the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival as a possible alternate locale. She will have information by a December 1, deadline.

Elections will be held in 2017. As usual, only members who are current with their dues will be allowed to vote. Because the mailed ballot system seems to be working, that will be the process used. The registry, as an independent party, will conduct the process. The board advised that June 1, 2017 be the cut off for membership in order to vote the election. Most members send their dues in with their registrations and have registered their animals by this date.

The Associated Registry is now accepting credit cards to help expedite their services.

Debbie is still trying to find a local, more organization friendly bank to which to transfer our accounts.

The newsletter is an on going subject of discussion. It is a very time consuming commitment and responsibility falls on the shoulders of one or two people. But this is problem that must be resolved. In an effort to keep it simple but informative, Emma has appealed to members for input and articles. She will put it together, if she has content by December. Robin will do a year end round-up as President. Christiane will submit an article related to the fiber arts and use Lincoln wool.

The website needs to be updated with show and sale results and these can be posted in the newsletter as well. All information is available on line for the updates, it just needs to be forwarded to the webmaster.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm est.

Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Vanderwende, Sec/Treas, NLSBA