Biennial Meeting 2021 National Lincoln Sheep Breeders Association May 29, 2021 Best Western Hotel, Wooster, Ohio

Vice President Joe Campbell called the live/virtual meeting to order at 7:30 pm. President Joe Haddock was in attendance via Zoom as were board members Christiane Peyton, and Anita Richert plus 2 other members. Board members present in person were Nathan Lein, Diane Klingelhofer, and Deborah Vanderwende. According to the sign in sheet, there were 29 members in attendance.

Lincoln merchandise was displayed for purchase in the back of the room, including a new t- shirt design. Blake Campbell would be selling chances on a donated woven woolen blanket to benefit the Lincoln Futurity.

Dr. Brady Campbell opened the meeting with a very informative presentation of "Parasites in the Pasture", explaining some of his findings on a study he had conducted involving parasitology, forages, reproduction, and nutrition. He shared his data on Cydectin, and the nutritional benefits of brassicas on gestating ewes and the rate of gain in lambs. Members actively participated with many questions and many "thanks" go out to Brady for the very interesting presentation.

Next, the Vice President called for the Secretaries report. Because the last meeting minutes have been available online and, in the newsletter, Diane Klingelhofer motioned that they be approved as read and archived. Pat Schudel seconded. Members followed along as Debbie Vanderwende gave the Treasurers Report. It was moved by Rob Sando and seconded by Matt Hensley that \$300 from the Roger Watkins Memorial Fund should be used each year to help pay the All-American Junior Show fee, since this involves a large number of our junior members. Motion was passed. Rob Sando moved the report be approved as read and Debbie Moore seconded. Motion was carried.

Joe Campbell explained the proposed budget for 2022. Rob Sando moved to approve, and Mike Radar seconded. Motion was carried.

Blake and Abby Campbell reported on the progress of the Lincoln Letter. Harvey Warrick offered congratulations on a job well done. Abby has many new ideas such as Featured Flock, an art section, photos, recipes, fleece articles, etc. She hopes for member participation to make this happen. The next issue will be around Louisville time, so the deadline for articles is mid-October. Another feature will be ads. They are available for \$75.00 a page and Abby will help with the design. Joe Haddock volunteered to fund the next issue and Harvey Warrick will help. Blake is also our website liaison and he reported that Mountain Niche has been released from contract and Novel Designs has been hired to do our web site. These are sheep people and there will be automatic postings and pics. Send updates to Blake so he can pass this information along.

Upcoming shows are the All-American Junior Show, followed by summer State Fairs, and then the Big E. Even though we are not totally rid of Covid, it looks like these shows have a green light with caution. The Naile report was given by Anita Rickert, Lincoln Superintendent. She said that the show would be similar to last year with the same entry and health regulations. Masks were undetermined. Administration was still trying to get organized, and many issues remain up in the air, but progress is being made. In an effort to help financially, it was suggested that Silver Mint Julep Cups not be given for each class first place but be given to each breeder instead. Harvey Warrick made a motion to Limit silver julep cups to one per exhibiter, and Anita Richert seconded. Chris Jones expressed opposition. A hand count was taken with the motion passing, 9-6. Anita reminded exhibiters about the \$5.00 head entry fee payable to NLSBA by October 1. Often people forget this additional fee, but it is required to show. She will contact the registry to see who has not paid and remind them. Rob Sando suggested that animals not paid for should not be allowed to enter the ring. This was put in the form of a motion by Blake Campbell and seconded by Joe Campbell. Motion carried.

Rob Sando reported on the Lincoln Futurity program which was cancelled in 2020 because of the lack of participation and the decreased opportunities to show due to Covid. He reminded everyone that animals can be purchased at live and virtual sales, private treaty on site sales and present yearlings that were nominated as lambs last year can be renominated this year.

Harvey Warrick recommended that Junior registrations be free, and this cost could be offset by paying out of the Roger Watkins Fund. After considerable discussion both pros and cons, Chris Jones advised that this decision should be referred to the board for further consideration.

Joe Campbell introduced the availability of on-line registrations, especially with the irregularity and lengthy periods involved with the current postal system. Registrations could be in hand in one week. He was looking for membership approval to allow the board to research this further and see if it would be financially feasible to change over and to make this decision. Rob Sando made the motion to allow the board to approve and Matt Hensley seconded. All were in favor.

Harvey Warrick asked the membership to reconsider the smut rule in the current by-laws. He explained that the rusty, brown color doesn't affect the meat or the usable fleece. He asked that this be put on the ballot for a vote. Simply strike the words "rust (smut)on legs, ears, or face". Motion was passed.

The location of the 2022 National sale was discussed and options reviewed. A reminder that the sale must take place before June so that Juniors can purchase futurity animals was expressed.

Joe Campbell presented the candidates that had agreed to run on the 2021 ballot:

President-Joe Campbell Vice President-Rodney Dart Secretary/Treasurer-Deborah Vanderwende Eastern/Mid-West District-Diane Klingelhofer West Coast District-Bill Dubray

From the floor, Rob Sando nominated Chris Jones for the West Coast and Chris Jones nominated Rob Sando. Nathan Lein Moved nominations be closed and Joe Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

At 10.00pm Nathan Lein moved the meeting be adjourned and Blake Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Amish pies were enjoyed by all, thanks to Abby and Blake for hosting. And a big Thank you to Nathan Lein. for setting up and operating the zoom meeting.

> Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Vanderwende, Sec/Treas,

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