NLSBA Conference Call February 26, 2020 8:00 pm

The reorganizational meeting of the NLSBA was called to order at 8:10pm by President Joe Haddock. Present were Joe Campbell, Nathan Lein, Deb Vanderwende, Diane Klingelhofer, Anita Richert, Christiane Payton, Blake Campbell (Futurity report), and Robin Meek (out-going President).

Secretary and Treasurer reports were approved as read and were archived.

Blake Campbell gave the 2019 Futurity report. There were 42 nominees, \$840.00 was dispersed, 16 actual participants (20 entered, but some failed to complete paperwork properly). Only one white ewe lamb was nominated and shown, so this ewe earned premium payout. He wanted to emphasize that participants need to follow rules and fill out all forms... blank spaces or incomplete forms will not be accepted. Mailed forms go to Rob Sando, emailed forms go to Blake Campbell. Forms will be updated this year so make sure you use a new one with current information, including address and phone of buyer, where and when purchased and farm tag number as well as scrapie number. This is necessary to accurately track the animal. All information and updates can be found on the website. Campbell also announced fund raising opportunities to support additional prizes. Juniors must be NLSBA members to participate in the Futurity. To become a member, a Junior must fill out a membership application. Membership is free the first year and \$10.00 thereafter, until becoming a Senior.

Much time was spent discussing the current website. The board moved that a change was in order and appointed Blake Campbell as the contact with Novel Designs, moving forward. In addition to getting a new website up and running, he will look into future options for expansion at the membership's pleasure.

Abby Motter has agreed to put together the Lincoln Letter. She has finally secured the templates and is anxious to get started. She will coordinate this with the new website so that they complement each other.

A report from 2019 NAILE was delivered by Anita Richert. The NLSBA had a breed exhibit, promoted the breed to many interested attendees and had a raffle with many donated items for 2020 prizes for the Junior show. Thanks to all of the members that helped. Show numbers were good in both open and junior divisions. The new check in system, lengthy stay and other new procedures seemed to be successful this year and things flowed smoothly.

The NLSBA National Sale has been on everyone's mind for months and a very serious decision had to be reached. So, after a very lengthy and thoughtful discussion the Board decided to follow through with the decision to maintain the National sale at Wooster for 2020 for several reasons. First and foremost, this sale will be monitored by Packers and Stockyards and settlements will be made to consignors within 21 days following the sale. This sale is in a good

location for most and is one of the few sales that allows Juniors to purchase Futurity animals before the June 1 deadline. Membership should be aware of other sales and opportunities and of the fact that Lincolns can be sold at other venues and not just at the National Sale. The Springfield Sale has expressed an interest in having Lincolns come. As always, the board will consider all locations for 2021 and chose a site that seems most satisfactory for the majority.

With no further business to come before the good of the order, Joe Campbell moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Diane Klingehofer, motion passed at 9:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Vanderwende Sec/Treas NLSBA