

NLSBA Conference Call
February 11, 2021
8:00pm

The February 11th meeting of the NLSBA was called to order at 8:05pm by President Joe Haddock. Present for the call were Joe Campbell, Nathan Lein, Deb Vanderwende, Diane Klingelhofer, Anita Richert, Emma Long, Christiane Payton, and Blake Campbell (Futurity Report and Newsletter only).

The President apologized for Covid and how it has affected all of us in some way. We must hopefully put this year behind us and look forward to a safer, bigger and brighter future. Everyone agreed.

Blake Campbell reported that the 2020 futurity had been cancelled due to lack of participation and few opportunities to show. The Treasurer returned all checks and thanked all those who nominated animals.

Blake also reported that the Newsletter is a work in progress and he and Abby plan to have another out by the end of May. If anyone would like to contribute an article, photos, or ideas, email Blake. The Board complimented Blake on the job he and Abby are doing and suggested they continue the "featured flock" section and do an article on the Rare Breed Conservancy. Blake also commented that they will be selling ads in the next edition. A sample was displayed in the last issue as well as a price list. The newsletter will also be available on the web site.

The website will hopefully come alive again as restrictions are lifted and events begin to happen. As people become more active, the website will update sales and show dates with deadlines. Please send photos to Blake and Abby.

Minutes were approved as read and archived by the Secretary.

Debbie Vanderwende gave the treasurers report which was approved. She also commented that the Wisconsin Bank that has our accounts has increased fees again. The Board moved and seconded a motion to allow Deb to research banks closer to her location and find one more compatible with our organization. She will report back. The Roger Watkins Memorial Fund will be discussed at the Biennial Meeting.

After much discussion, a motion was made and seconded to have the National Show and Sale for 2021 at Wooster, Ohio, also the location of our National Biennial Meeting. Debbie V will secure the meeting room and time at the Best Western Hotel. Nathan Lein will work on making the meeting virtual, probably zooming. Blake Campbell will arrange coffee and donuts for sale morning.

Emma Long reported that the Rare Breed Conservancy would like input from the designated breed boards and officers. They are offering paid services such as social media training and board training as well as other services. No action was taken.

A motion was made and seconded to pay Blake and Abby Campbell \$400 retroactive, per issue of the Lincoln Letter for editing and producing, as this is a considerable undertaking. The motion was unanimously passed.

Anita Richert reported on NAILE 2020. It was a very different year, lack of communication being a primary problem. Following Covid prodigals made everything extremely difficult and confusing with no clear-cut answers. The Lincoln Show went very well, with high quality animals and great numbers. Results were reported in a timely fashion and were also available in the Lincoln Letter. Flexibility was the key and hopefully next year will be better!

Joe Haddock announced that 2021 is an election year and as usual, memberships need to be in place by June 1, to receive a ballot. Members will be reminded on line and in the newsletter. A nominating committee was appointed. A slate of nominees will be presented at the biennial meeting. Positions available are; President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, East -Midwest Director, West Coast Director.

Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Vanderwende, Sec/Treas NLSBA