

**United Suffolk Sheep Association  
Board of Directors Meeting – 2013/2014 Board  
North American International Livestock Expo  
November 15, 2014  
7pm, South Wing B108**

**Board Member Present:** President, Rob Zelinsky, Vice-President, Bill MacCauley, Amanda Everts and the following directors: Larry Pauly, Amanda Dobson, Bill Royer, Paul Skartvedt and Diane Russell. Keith Pumphrey, Rex Quam, Lisa Webster, Donna Mays and Virginia Gergen were not present.

The meeting was conducted by President, Rob Zelinsky.

**Secretary's Report**

Secretary, Amanda Everts, reported that since the October conference call she has been busy getting things finalized for the Hall of Fame and NAILE meetings and that registry work has been slow. The checking account balance is \$16,700 and the investment fund balance is \$197,157. Fiscal reports for the end of the fiscal year were provided as well as fiscal year to date financial reports. Larry Pauly made motion to approve the Secretary's report, the report was seconded by Bill Royer. The motion carried.

**UJSSA Report**

UJSSA President, Chris MacCauley, reported that 2015 National Junior Suffolk Show will be in West Springfield, MA. If there's any suggestions for the juniors, Chris encouraged individuals to contact him or any other junior directors. Potential locations for 2016 include Michigan (along with the All-American), Iowa and Missouri.

**Committee Reports**

There was no report from the ByLaws, Futurity, Budget, Scholarship, Marketing & Promotion, Hospitality, Ambassador and Hall of Fame committees.

**NAILE Market Lamb** - Chairman, Paul Skartvedt reported that 23 of the classified Suffolk market lambs signed up for the special monies. There were 2 classes of Suffolk market lambs. The reserve champion Suffolk market lamb signed up for the special monies and will be awarded \$500; a total of \$600 will be paid out to that individual and qualifying first and second place class winners.

**Old Business**

**Percentage Registry** - Tabled for the 2014/2015 board meeting (following the conclusion of this meeting).

**National Sheep Association** - Tabled for the 2014/2015 board meeting (following the conclusion of this meeting).

**New Business**

**Midwest Stud Ram Sale** - On behalf of Heartland Livestock Services, Bret Oelke discussed the retirement of the Larry Mead and Midwest Stud Ram Sale. He addressed concerns on last year's random draw; in the future there will be a better job of the making sure that the random draw is random. In larger classes the random draw will be utilized and the audience will have a chance to move in for close inspection on those sheep. For breeds who choose to have their national sale in conjunction with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale, their show will be webcast and immediately archived for individuals to watch online, have meeting space provided and work to provide and minimize the cost of a venue for member events on site. The 2015 National Suffolk Sale will be held in conjunction with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale. This year sheep will show on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and sheep will sell on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There was discussion on if the Suffolk Wether Sires and Dams should sell on Friday night with the Suffolk breeding sheep or on Saturday with all the other wether sires and dams. Bret Oelke is the Suffolk breed liaison for Heartland Livestock Services.

Larry Pauly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Amanda Dobson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.