

Arkansas Sheep Council Meeting Notes
Arkansas State Fair
October 9, 2015

The following are notes from the Arkansas Sheep Council from the October 9th meeting held at the Arkansas State Fair in Little Rock.

Financial Report:

The account has a balance of \$12,780 as of the last statement but that has changed based on deposits and withdrawals. It was noted that several couldn't tell which statement was the newest of those sent.

The group reviewed that we had paid out 16 classes last year at \$200/class and it was proposed to have 17 classes this year paying \$4,900 which would leave \$8,000 knowing that we have \$5,000 in upcoming expenses. That would leave us with \$3,000. The check for ADM for \$1,500 for Grand and Reserve ABL would take the balance to \$4,500 with \$1,000 going toward the scrapie program.

A motion was made by Suzie Wright to add another class and Brian Dobbs seconded it. It was voted on and the motion passed.

Old Business:

No old business was brought before the group.

New Business

Mike Reynolds proposed to change the by-laws by making the ABL Coordinator a voting member; but later removed the proposal after determining it would need a detailed job description prior to the addition being voted on by the group. This would cause the ABL Executive Team to be of equal numbers but the President could break the tie in a vote if needed.

It was determined that a December meeting for all would be best due to time constraints at the State Fair. Meeting notes and bylaws would be sent 21 days prior to the meeting. It was also determined that this could be an electronic meeting if all agreed. Specific proposals for change would need to be detailed and 2/3 of the paid members would need to be present to vote. As this could not be done easily electronically and due to it having to be the entire group, not simply the Executive Board, it was recommended to have a physical meeting. A survey for date and location will be sent out after for all to respond.

The second topic of new business was that in the past, the ASSC had given the AJSP \$1,200 for yearend prizes. It was noted that the AJSC membership has doubled in size and generated more money but still needed \$800 to help pay for this year's awards.

A motion was made by Diana Watkins and seconded by Brad Harlow. It was voted on and the motion passed.

Officer elections were the next topic, Brian Dobbs reviewed the list of nominees:

- Mike Reynolds, President
- Brad Harlow, Vice President
- Kristi Weaver, Secretary
- Wanda Calloway, Treasurer
- Diana Watkins, AJSC Coordinator
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Additional feedback was asked of the group. A motion was made by Brian Dobbs and seconded by Jennifer Greg/Stidham. It was voted on and the motion passed.

Judges for next year were discussed and we all agreed that we could add a section for submissions on the survey that would be sent.

Jackpot points were the last topic of discussion and how to improve the accuracy of the information received in order to award points to individuals correctly. We ask for placings 1-5. Suggestion for improving the accuracy was to access a \$200 deposit that would be returned with accurate timely results. It was agreed that the group would have further discussions regarding this topic.

A motion was made by Brad Harlow to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Diana Watkins