

Date: Tuesday, October 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 8:08 pm EST

Present: Linda Hayes, Kelly McWhorter, Fran Soukup, Mindy Reid, Steve Auld

Minutes for the August meeting were approved via e-mail and submitted to the ILR office by Fran

Old Business:

Carol Reigh has applied for approval as an H,P,Y judge. She has served 7 apprenticeships with positive evaluations. Fran made the motion to approve Carol as an H,P,Y judge. Seconded by Kelly. Approval was unanimous.

Bonnie Doble has requested to do a fleece apprenticeship at the GALA conference without first attending an ILR-SD Fleece Clinic. Although the Guidelines for H,P,Y do allow a variation to be able to apprentice, once, before attending a clinic, the Fleece Guidelines do not have this variation. Kelly moved to make a one time exception, to allow Bonnie to apprentice at GALA, with the understanding Bonnie attend a fleece clinic and the following two apprenticeships, to meet the requirements of 50 shorn fleeces, 75 walking fleeces, and 12 fleece products. Motion was seconded by Mindy. Vote was 3 in favor, one against. The motion was passed. This motion is not intended to set a precedence.

Kim Schechinger has requested approval to begin her fleece apprenticeship process. Kim has attended a fleece judging clinic. Fran made the motion to approve Kim as a fleece apprentice, after paying her dues and completing an Open Book Test. Steve seconded. Motion passed.

The response was reviewed regarding the requests for other committee members to have input and/or submit questions for the Open Book Test for 2019. Mindy has received 5 questions from the Youth Committee. Steve has received one question from a member of the Halter Committee. Other committees have not responded. All members of this committee will submit 5 questions, with correct answers and rationale by November 1. Online discussion will review the questions with a goal of completing the test by November 15.

Steve's one year term will be ending in January, 2019. It is hoped Steve will continue in the election process to run for a 5 year term in the up-coming elections.

New Business

The committee left for executive session at 8:47 pm EST.

The committee returned to the open session at 9:35 pm EST.

The judges committee asked the BOD to send a letter to a judge asking them to refrain from negative comments on social media. The ILR Board referred the question of the judge with negative comments back to the Judges Committee, as they felt it was an ILR-SD issue. After this response was received, Chairman Darrell Anderson called the Judge directly. She immediately removed the offensive post. The Judges Committee, after email discussion, agreed to let the matter rest, since restorative action had been taken.

A judge has recently been heard giving conformation reasons for placing a youth showmanship class. Darrell will contact this judge and the apprentice at this show to discuss appropriate oral reasons for showmanship.

November 13, 2018 was set for the next meeting.

Steve Auld moved to adjourn. Mindy seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup, Secretary