

Judges Committee Minutes for September 24, 2019

Chairman Darrell Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:03 PM, EDT. Linda Hayes, Kelly McWhorter, Fran Soukup, Mindy Reid, and Steve Auld were present.

The minutes for the August meeting were approved via email and are available on the ILR website.

Old Business:

The Fleece Judging Clinic scheduled for September 20 – 22, 2019 was cancelled due to poor numbers of registrations. A thank you to Michael West, The Four Ladies and Me Llama Farm, and other volunteers were sent out with the cancellation announcement posted by Susan Hannah. At this time, no other fleece clinics are planned.

Possible hosts for halter and performance judging clinic were discussed. The search for potential hosts will continue.

Cindi Ernst needs 8 hours of fleece mentoring to complete her fast-tracking process. With further investigation, it appears Cindi has met the mentoring requirements for fleece and should be certified as a Fleece Judge.

New business:

Assignment of areas for the 2020 Open Book Test for each committee member to develop questions for the open book test were reviewed: Mindy, Youth; Kelly, Performance; Steve, Halter; Fran, Fleece; and, Darrell, Show Division. Judges Committee members will contact other committee chairs to seek input for the 2020 Open Book Test.

Linda brought forward the possibility of developing a data base of shows and judges who judged them was presented. Linda had been contacted by superintendents for this data, which would help them to locate more information about the judges, before contacting them for contracts. This request will be forwarded to the Superintendent committee for action.

The letters of concerns received regarding a judge were discussed. A motion was made by Kelly to table the letters until the next meeting and Darrell to contact the judge for clarification of the situations. Mindy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Letters of concerns regarding a second judge were discussed. Fran made the motion to send a letter of reprimand regarding professional behavior and her code of conduct to this judge. The letters of concerns will be placed in her file. The motion was seconded by Steve Auld. The motion passed.

The date for next meeting was set for October 22, 2019 at 8:30 PM EDT.

Kelly made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Steve. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:20 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup, Secretary