

June Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting was called to order by Steven Fritz at roughly 7:02 Central time.

Those in attendance: Kyle Mumford, Tor Sorensen, Steven Fritz, Benjamin Carothers, Deb Arendas, Sonja Boeff, and Susan Hannah.

The first order of business was the selection of officers to fill roles within the BOD for the 2025-2026 year. Steven Fritz thanked Kyle Mumford for his dedicated years of service and expressed his warmest well-wishes to Kyle's future endeavors. We all expressed gratitude to Kyle for his work on the website. We are also grateful for his willingness to continue working as our "Website Project Manager".

Stephen called for a "corporate resolution" to adopt the following officers for the ILR on 6/10/25

Tor Moved that the Corporate Resolution to adopt officers stated the following and was second by Debbie. It was then approved unanimously with each officer abstaining for their respective office vote.

Steve Fritz-President

Debbie Arendas- VP

Sonja Boeff-Treasurer

Benjamin Carothers-Secretary

Tor Sorensen-Member At Large

(Kyle politely left the call after the new officers were installed)

My official minutes begin

The same slate of officers was also immediately installed for ILF.

Office Report:

Susan notes that ILF scholarship applications have begun to come in. The BOD decides that these applications will be reviewed by the entire board in an effort to be fair and equitable to all applicants.

UAP close-out is still waiting for a few shows. Susan continues to regularly follow up with the outstanding shows. "Backlog"/incomplete jobs /tasks is just about caught up. She is steadily working through a large backlog of screenings. Susan is removing Kyle and adding Sonja to the ILR BOD email. If we need Kyle to know anything in the future, we will have to choose to specifically add him to any pertinent emails. We are working on seating a committee to review the Anderson Scholarship. Benjamin and Tor volunteered to help.

Gathering update: (call is joined by Lisa Robinson) Plans are moving along at an appropriate pace. The postmark deadline has passed. We are anticipating many entries coming in in the next week or so. Consignment animals are steadily rolling in and several are anticipated.

Stage, chairs, and food have all been ordered. The "write up" for the Gathering honorees is coming in shortly and several Directors will be there to present the honor. Lisa is working on the catalog and will send it to the printer early next week. Vendors are few and far between and we are all working to find new vendors for future shows. We are still looking for sponsors.

Steve will be in Kalispell next week for a visit and he and Susan will discuss her "work days/ expectations agreement".

Governing Board: Next meeting Aug 19th. Ask the committee chair to push guideline changes.

Old Business:

The election seems to have gone well. The BOD is continuing to review and finalize the features of the new database. It is steadily rolling forward toward implementation. We are working towards a system that is both secure and highly functional for the membership. We have had some people to volunteer to help beta test the new website. We will seek a few other people to help test it as confidential testers. Sonja will also assist in this testing process as she is a fresh set of eyes on the website. The timeline will be clarified within the next couple of weeks. Our website professionals are working on the balances/finances for each member's portal.

New business:

BOD handbook has been sent to each Director.

Calendar for next year has been sent also.

Stephen asks that we reflect on the '24/'25 year. We will start the process of documenting our opinions of the last year in order to work on the goals for next year. Last year's goals are almost completed.

The Annual Meeting will be near the end of the year. We want the meeting to be held after the implementation of the new website. We plan to continue using the same platform as the past couple of years. Some people want live questions, but we will continue to offer an opportunity for submitted questions. This allows the BOD to come to a consensus answer and give the asker a more well thought out answer.

Member's surveys will go out once the new website goes live.

Championship shows will be considered for next year and decisions about it will be made in August.

Tor moved that we adjourned and Deb seconded

8:34 BOD voted to adjourn.