

## ILR BOD MEETING

Tuesday 1-13-26 - 8:00PM ET / 7:00 PM CT

CALL TO ORDER - Steve @ 7:02 PM CT

### Attendees

Stephen Fritz President  
Debbie Arendas Vice-President  
Tor Sorensen Member-at-Large  
Benjamin Carothers Secretary  
Sonja Boeff Treasurer  
Susan Hannah Operations Manager  
Kyle Mumford Website Project Manager

### Action items:

OUR NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 2/10/26

### OFFICE REPORT – Susan/Kyle

- WebSite - Update and Bi-Weekly Progress Meeting
  - Finalizing all of the outstanding issues and they're being checked off systematically. Only a handful of issues remain. The largest outstanding issue is UAP point totals. DNA testing results integration is still being worked on.
    - Is a "Turn On" date at the end of January still possible? Potentially 1/27/26 or some date before the end of the month? There seems to be no concrete answer for date. What should our "roll out" protocol look like? What will our "down" window be? Can we do it over a weekend? Susan would really like to get UAP 2025 closed out in the old system before we switch the systems. Susan is still waiting on a few shows' results from 2025. There will be a hard deadline where shows must have results submitted to Susan or the results of the show will be left behind. Susan will work on a draft of an email to make shows aware of the potential of losing points for outstanding results of 2025 shows.
- ILR SD Election follow up. Election results have been sent out. We still have four openings on various committees. We are still missing two members on futurity, one on halter, and one on judges committee.
- Operations Summary has been sent to each of the Directors.
  - Transaction Report Attached December 25 vs 24
  - A/P Input for 2025 is being finalized.
  - Income/Expense Statement Outstanding
  - 2026 Budget has not been approved by BOD, but will be finished asap.
    - Rent on the office space is increasing from \$1,300 to \$1,500.
- Annual Meeting Update
  - Recording is available on our Zoom account to any member upon request.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT – Benjamin

- Screenings approved as of 1/13/26: Melania, Blizzard, Giselle, Sprinkles
  - Black Diamond will be pending because she is missing the “lama application for domestic screening”
- December ILR BOD Minutes have been approved and posted.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - Sonja

- Financial Reports attached to the same email as the agenda for this meeting.
- Income/Expense Statement, YTD Totals for 2026 Budgeting is still in progress. Waiting on a P&L for 2025.
  - The Futurity Account has old money in it from an old LFA account. If we MOVED it, it would trigger an audit. Therefore, we will set up a new Futurity account, into which we will deposit all new Futurity money. Until the old account is emptied, we will continue pulling from it. When it is emptied, we will then begin using the new account exclusively and close the old account.

#### GOVERNING BOARD/SD - Debbie

- Each member of the BOD is asked to get minutes submitted from the committee meeting.
- Governing Board Meeting 1/27/26 (Tentative)
- ILR-SD Election and filling vacancies.
  - ILR-SD Committee First meetings – Chairs and Assignments
    - Scott Parish is willing to serve on the halter committee  
Motion to accept Scott: Tor  
Seconded: Deb  
Approved Unanimously
    - Cece Jaekel has been recommended for the five year futurity committee
      - Motion to approve Cece Jaeckel: Deb
        - Seconded: Steve
          - Approved Unanimously

Motion to approve a list (Susan Smith and then Susan Kovacs) for a three year term:  
Benjamin

- Seconded by: Deb
  - Approved Unanimously
- Motion to nominate Tammy Fritz for the five year term on the Judges Committee
  - Seconded: Deb
    - Approved by four Directors
      - Passed with one recusal

- New Guidelines published on the website and will be sent out asap.
  - Error on judges fees of \$50 on posted Guidelines has been discovered and will hopefully be remedied asap.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Staff HR Policies, Procedures, JD, and Updates. (Fritz draft to Boeff) Due 1/1/26
- Championship Show member issues/misconceptions have been handled. There were several people that were frustrated and hurt after the announcement of our Championship Shows.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Hard Roll Out Date for System still unknown. Maybe more will be known before the end of the week.
  - Marketing Committee
    - Roll Out Communication Schedule and Tasks for System will be sent asap.
  - Any changes for Spring Showcase? All forms on the show website are ready to go. We will soon be seeking sponsors. Lisa Paquet has agreed to fill our one judging position where David Ruckman was unable to serve. A few people have already expressed interest in submitting consignments for the sale. We are still working on the Sorensen male and the “Herdsman Award” class.
  - Discussion about the post about Masters/Advanced classes. Do we need to put out an official statement to clarify the issue? Or do we ask the performance committee to give a recommendation? We will not offer Masters at Showcase. Consensus is that we will ask the performance committee to submit recommendations for how to handle it.

#### FUTURE BUSINESS

- January
  - Turn on New System and Communication thereof.
  - Fill any ILR-SD Committee Vacancies by vote of BOD
  - Set first GB meeting date.
  - Spring Showcase Promotion.
  - Member Survey – After Website/Database Rollout.
- February
  - BOD Election Chair discussion.
  - Fill any ILR SD vacancies by vote of BOD.
  - Gathering Judge recommendations from Committee
  - Judges Committee Test.
  - Committees meet and elect Chairs and Secretaries.
  - Spring Showcase Promotion Acceleration.
- March
  - Tax Return Review.
- April

- BOD Election - Eblast is sent seeking nominations for candidates.
- Gathering Promotion.
- May
  - Election Closes, candidates are contacted.
  - Eblast is sent announcing results.
  - Revises and publish a new revision of the ILR BOD Handbook. Ongoing initiatives section updated at minimum.
  - Gathering Welcome Letter.
  - Gathering Communication

Motion to adjourn was made by Tor @ 8:53 PM CT  
BOD signified their approval by signing off.