

BOARD MINUTES 6 July 2022

Present: Carlice Cutright, Caryn DeRochie, Tim Hardy, Vance Hawk, Eric Mandatta, Kirk Mitchell, Brad Peterson Absent: Ruth Higdon, Sunshine Schultz, Brenda Winter(resigned) Visitors: Sonya Cutright, Peter Hackett, Melissa Lunsford, Bob Stuplich, Una Taylor, Susan Mandatta, Gene, Ursela

The minutes from the April and May 2022 Board meetings were approved. The June 2022 Board meeting was cancelled.

904 yaks are registered with 77 current members.

Una Taylor asked for contributions for future newsletters.

Vance gave an update for the meat committee and it was decided that GeneSeek registry is enough proof for the USDA certification.

The referendum passed 31 to 8 in favor of changing the standard of what determines a full yak verses a hybrid yak. The idea of which type of genes should be listed on the registration was brought up (delusion genes).

Data being shared with IYAKS and a joint registry was proposed. The board voted that Tim contacts Daniel from IYAKS and proposes a common format on a secured laptop with full disclosure and all information goes through Ted.

The bylaws will be reviewed by Brad and Vance for the August meeting.

Board members, their terms and the size of the board was discussed and when the next election for members will be held. How can the terms be adjusted so there is only one election? Should the board expand to 11 members? Melissa volunteered to be a board member.

Tim Hardy will be stepping down as president as soon as his herd is sold.

The website was discussed and it was determined a designer and builder are needed to make the website work. Kirk and Melissa are reaching out to their website designers for information on prices and what is involved.

Caryn will send past Board meeting minutes to Eddie so he may post them on the website.

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The first official paper on deafness in yaks will be published!

Danielle from IYAKS proposed the stock show be moved to Grand Island Nebraska next year instead of the NWSS in Denver.

Ursela informed the board of the Black Hills stock show in January.

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