

TEXEL SHEEP BREEDERS SOCIETY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 19, 2025

President Crystal Retzlaff called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m. EDT

MEMBERS PRESENT: Crystal Retzlaff, Ron Wilcox, Amy Slaydon, Theresa Crowley, Olivia Halbur, Amy Slaydon & Cinda Baird. Absent - Clayton Vickers, Brady Campbell (sent notice he had a previous commitment)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Cinda Baird emailed the minutes from the last meeting to all Board Members to review. Olivia Halbur moved that we accept the minutes as read, Ronald Wilcox second the motion. All approved the minutes and motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT:

Theresa Crowley emailed the treasurer's report to all Board Members to review. Olivia Halbur moved that we accept the report as read, Judy St. Leger second the motion. All approved the reports and motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MIDWEST STUD RAM SALE:

All board members felt the show & sale ran smoothly. The Juniors were happy with their awards and Riana Zeiher said she will continue to do the Jr. Show at Sedalia. Those in attendance felt that the quality at the MWSRS was better than at NAILE. All agreed the measurement cards were great, we just have to put the measurements in the order that they are in the sale catalog so when the sales office is doing data entry they can do it without errors. The Silent auction brought in \$755 which will go to the Junior account. Winners of the Loin Eye Awards – ewe – Pine Knob Farm with 4.38 measurement and ram – Searles Station with a 4.54 measurement.

32 rams sold – 4 rams walked through – average price \$1222 and 50 ewes sold – average price \$1057

There was discussion on the person that was doing the loin eye scanning and inconsistencies that was noticed by many members. We will discuss the possibility of locating a different individual during the January 2026 meeting

Dates for 2026 is June 9 – 13th

ANNUAL MEETING:

34 members attended the TSBS Annual Meeting. 6 members attended via a ZOOM link along with one special guest.

The futurity winners were presented with their checks. Winners in the Yearling Ewes Division – Avery Lindsey placed 1st with the Pine Knob Farm ewe purchased at Ohio Showcase; Gunner Wilcox 2nd with the Distracted Acres ewe purchased at the National Texel Sale. In the Ewe Lamb Division, Gunner Wilcox tied for 1st with his ewe lambs, both purchased at the National Texel Sale.

Cinda Baird and Olivia Halbur had taken all the judges scorecards from the past and reviewed them with the only change being to increase the weights on the general appearance and adding a picture to show the AVMA recommendation on the tail docking. After the board members discussing several areas on the card as presented, it was suggested to create a committee of 5 members and one Board Member to review the judges scorecard. Those members volunteering to be on the committee were Cathy Martin, Charlie Wray, Justin Slayton, Austin Brown, Rachael Gatley and Larry Searles. Olivia Halbur will be the BOD representative.

Amy Slaydon stated that she will continue to help with the Banquet and sale snacks.

OLD FUTURITY:

Cinda Baird sent an email out to the 7 participants we were able to identify and locate their contact information to see if they might still have their forms that they were to turn in for futurity points.

MEMBERSHIP LETTERS / DUE DATES:

Cinda Baird will manually change the expiration dates on the membership area to 6/30/2026. She will also inactivate those who have not paid by 7/1/2025. An email will be sent to Shortgrass asking them to change the expiration date behind the scenes to correspond with these dates.

WEBSITE PROSPECTS:

Cinda Baird will compile a list of different website developers and send to all BOD members to review so we can move forward with creating a brand new functional website.

2026 TSBS HALL OF FAME

Judy St. Leger has volunteered to create a form for getting nominations for the 2026 TSBS Hall of Fame. Will present at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS:

Officers for the next year are:

President: Crystal Ratzlaff

Vice President: Ronald Wilcox

Treasurer: Theresa Crowley

Secretary: Cinda Baird

Next meeting will be held September 4th – 7 p.m. EDT.

Ronald Wilcox moved that we adjourn the meeting. Judy St. Leger Second the motion. All approved and motion passed. Crystal Retzlaff adjourned the meeting.