

Minutes of the N-CSA Board of Directors Meeting – February 26, 2023

1:00 pm Pacific Time, 2:00 pm Mountain Time, 3:00 pm Central Time, 4:00 pm Eastern Time

A. Call to Order

The meeting, conducted by Zoom, was called to order at 2:09 pm MST by Chair Sheridan Langford.

B. Roll Call (Quorum requires 5 Board members)

Julia Alzofon, Bonnie Barcus, Irene Bernalley, Sam Cunningham, Sheridan Langford, Elizabeth Casso Lopez, Katherine Skye Tucker and Mickey Willenbring were on the call and constituted the quorum. Debby Bradford was absent. Steve Banks presented the Treasurer's report as a guest. Nikyle Begay was unable to attend.

C. Minutes of Previous Meetings – (02/05/23)

Sam moved that the minutes of 02/05/23 be accepted as written. Liz seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

D. Reports of Officers and Board

1. **Business Office** - *Bonnie Barcus*

Membership renewals have slowed down once again. Bonnie plans to stuff the next issue of the Catch Pen with a renewal form. Four packets of registrations have come in since the first of the year. Right now there have been 30 sheep come across Bonnie's desk. She is working to get two packets checked and sent to inspectors hopefully on Monday. There are 60 Members paid for 2023 and beyond with 47 Members not yet paid up for 2023 totaling 107 Members.

2. **Treasurer Office** - *Steve Banks*

Steve reports: A profit and loss report for January 1, 2023 through February 26, 2023 has been forwarded to the Board members. Highlights are: Net income - \$717.07, Membership - \$640, Website advertising - \$230, Catch Pen ads - \$91, Donations - \$93. Expenses: Livestock Conservancy ad - \$129.60, Square fees - \$18.79, Postage - \$100.20, Printing Catch pen - \$106.4, Registry program annual charge - \$120. The 2022 Federal 990 return was submitted and accepted using Tax990 service. Sheri Langford and Bonnie Barcus have been added to the Tax990 account as authorized to view and submit returns as we needed some redundancy in authorized users of the account. US Bank is still working on the new N-CSA bank accounts. We will have a checking account and a savings account. I did this for account safety where the checking account will not have all of our money in it. Also we have gotten credit cards issued to me and to Bonnie Barcus. The rationale is also account safety where the debit card is not out in the public being used, the treasurer makes most of the expense payments followed by the Business Office (Bonnie), the credit card provides better protection against fraud, as the bank will cover any fraudulent payments not due to our negligence. The US Post Office box rent will be due either in March or April. It was \$332 last year. The NCSA annual corporation report for the State of New Mexico will be due before May. The State typically sends a reminder card.

3. **Inspector Coordinator** - *Connie Taylor*

The inspection team is in a slowly evolving discussion of Manes and Beards. Other goals are defining proper bites and acceptable kemp content so members understand these issues. On March 12, Standards Chair, Jim Keyes, will wrap up our email/photo sessions with a Zoom meeting. I expect by the next Board meeting I will have a more detailed report.

4. **Registrar** - *Kim Kerley*

Kim reports that all is quiet at the Registrar's Office. So far this year she has done 2 registrations and a number of transfers and there is nothing pending.

5. **Website Committee** - *Lisa Leonard*

No Report at this time.

6. **Breed Standards** - *Jim Keyes*

No Report at this time.

*** Sam moved that the Business Office, Treasurer's Office, Inspector Coordinator and Registrar Reports be approved. Mickey seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

E. By-Law Changes

1. **Committee Formation** - *Sam Cunningham*

The previous By-Law committee members, Joe Bonnie, Sam and Sherri are willing to continue with the committee work. Sam will set up a meeting with them.

E. Unfinished Business

1. **2023 AGM** - *Nikyle Begay/Irene Bernalley*

Mickey updated the MOA for the June 2023 SIL/AGM meeting which was discussed at our last meeting. It was then forwarded to DBI. DBI met this morning by Zoom. Bonnie, Irene and Julia were in attendance. After discussion, the MOA was approved by DBI. The document will be signed by DBI and sent to the N-CSA for signatures. On March 6th,

the SIL planning group is expecting to meet and will invite Board members of the N-CSA. There was a discussion of our proximity to the NNM Zoo and it has been done in the past and they do not have as many hoofed animals on exhibit so it is now a non-issue.

2. Flock Dispersal - Sheri Langford

Sam has sent a packet of information to Sheri and she has begun to read them. She will compile the material into a document and report back.

G. New Business

1. 2024 AGM - Sheri Langford

Two locations were proposed, the Abiquiu/Espanola, NM area to coincide with Navajo-Churro sheep week and Flagstaff, AZ in conjunction with their Flag and Wool festival. Contact persons in Arizona were suggested. Bonnie, Mickey or Sam will follow-up to determine their interest.

2. Documentary Photography Proposal - Bonnie Barcus

Documentary Photographer, John Simpson, is looking for funding for a project on the Navajo Reservation. It is not clear that he is looking for a contribution from us. If we are to contribute, we would like more information about how his project would coincide with our Mission, how the funds would be sent and whether a smaller grant would of help.

H. Set Next Conference Call Date & Adjourn

1. The next regular Board meeting is set for March 19, 2023 at the usual times.

2. Julia moved that the meeting be adjourned, the motion was seconded by Liz and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 pm MST by Chair Sheridan Langford.