

**Minutes of the N-CSA Board of Directors Meeting – June 17, 2023**  
**Annual General Meeting Window Rock, Arizona**

**A. Call to Order**

This in-person meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm MST by Chair Sheridan Langford. She welcomed those present and thanked those whose efforts made this AGM a success.

**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 present and constituted the quorum. According to attendance sheets circulated throughout the room, 50 persons were in attendance. Steve Banks presented the business report in person. Debby Bradford was unable to attend via Zoom due to technical difficulties at the meeting site.

**C. Minutes of Previous Meetings – (10/15/22)**

Carolyn Wyz moved that the minutes of the previous 10/15/22 AGM in Moab, Utah be accepted. Julia Christensen seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

**D. Reports of Officers and Board**

**1. Registrar's Report – *Kim Kerley***

No report at this time.

**2. Inspector Coordinator's Report – *Connie Taylor***

Three inspectors have applied as Apprentices. All are well qualified and have been eagerly accepted for "training". The three are: Kelli Dunaj, Andrew Schaefer and Mickey Willenbring. We are filling-in for now retired John Harper and three other Inspectors who are on pause. Now we have a full team. In a few months the Inspectors will review the applicants and refer them to the BOD for a final decision. At that time I will send their application statements to you as well. Beard/mane samples test results are in hand and the objectionable fibers do qualify as extreme kemp. Some are over 108 micron which is the same as horsetail. For now I am calling this Bristle. According to our Standards, this extreme kemp is reason to fail sheep. This fiber is heritable.

**3. Business Office Report – *Bonnie Barcus***

Membership renewals have been slowly trickling in over the last month or so. We currently have 82 paid members for 2023 (or longer) and 31 members paid only through 2022. These will be dropped from the list. Bonnie currently has three large packets of registrations. Two of these are complete and will be taken to the AGM for registration. There are a total of 37 sheep in this group. The remaining packet has 18 sheep. Additional information is required for these and has been requested.

**4. Treasurer's Report – *Steve Banks***

Steve reports our YTD income as a positive \$2828.46 with a total income of \$6001.67. Expenses for 2023 YTD are \$3173.21. The IRS 990 tax return was sent in and accepted. The New Mexico Secretary of State annual report was submitted. The US Post Office N-CSA Business Office box rent went up to \$354.00 and is paid through 2023.

The Sheep Registry Program is Paid \$120.00. Our Livestock Conservancy Membership dues are paid \$90.00. US Bank is working on changing the physical address of the N-CSA to Connie Taylor's as she is the registered agent for the State of New Mexico Corporation registration. The N-CSA Treasurer and the Business Office Manager now have US Bank credit cards. This was set up for better account protection than the debit card and there are spending rewards that will be credited back to the account.

The Treasurer set up a 7 month CD at an APY% of 4.15 at US Bank. The amount in the CD started at \$5000. The first month interest was \$16.75. The interest on the checking account is \$0.07 per month. "Square" transactions are becoming the primary method members are paying for services. There is a fee for each transaction. An example is the annual membership dues is \$25 and the fee is \$1.03. 2023 expense so far is \$26.99.

**5. Breed Standards Committee Report – *Jim Keyes***

No report at this time.

**6. Website Committee Report – *Lisa Leonard***

Lisa is requesting high resolution photos for our new website which should go on-line soon.

**7. Database Committee Report – *Bonnie Barcus***

Work continues on the capabilities of the Database, accessible through our web site, with further improvements planned for the coming year.

**E. By-Law Changes - *Sam Cunningham***

We have a list of proposed by-law changes and we will put out a request for additional suggestions for updates. The by-law committee will reconvene in the coming year to incorporate the changes, as appropriate, and it is hoped that an updated by-laws document will be available for vote at our next AGM. .

**F. Unfinished Business - *Sheri Langford***

A Flock Dispersal Plan is being put together so that, if a breeder must sell their flock, we may avoid losing valuable genetics.

**G. New Business**

Election of Board Members: Candidate statements of the two incumbents who had agreed to run for another term, Julia Alzofon and Irene Bernalley, were offered to those in attendance. Nikyle Begay nominated Richard Marlar from the floor. The three candidates were voted in by paper ballot, each receiving 16 votes.

**H. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm MST by Chair Sheri Langford.