Belted Galloway Society, Inc.

Minutes, Spring Council Meeting

April 17, 2023

Zoom

The meeting was called to order by President Sheri Riley at 7:04 PM CST. Council members present: President Sheri Riley, Vice President Victoria Voisine, Past President Jack Bagley, Treasurer Terry Etheridge, Tommy Fey, Don Henderson, Dana Jacobsen, Kim Lohmann, also present Editor Jayde Reilly, DPO Corinna Caron, Executive Director Greg Hipple.

Members present: Terry Willis, Ashton Caron, Elizabeth Eaton, Dustin James.

The minutes from the January 12, 2023 meeting had been presented to council. **Motion** to approve minutes as submitted by Terry Etheridge, second, Victoria Voisine. Motion Carried.

Treasurers Report Given by ED Greg Hipple. Current assets as of 03-31-2023 \$152,900.79. Membership total 810. **Motion** to approve Victoria Voisine, second Kim Lohmann. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Junior Association; Vice President Victoria Voisine advised council the junior council will meet the following week to finalize by-laws. She also advised the juniors will begin to contribute to the US Beltie News.

Show Committee: President Riley advised two candidates, Dawson Masters (TX) and Christine Utegg (IL) have submitted bids to run the shows at the NAILE. She advised a decision on this will have to be evaluated further.

Sale: ED Greg Hipple advised council Ashton Caron (ME) and Ethan Oatley (RI) have agreed to coordinate and run the Premium Sale at NAILE in 2023. Ashton Caron spoke to council on tentative plans. They are currently reviewing sale policies.

Advertising / Promotion: Chair Don Henderson presented council with a plan to produce a semen/ embryo directory available in print and electronic versions. He listed several other alternative ideas being considered to expand exposure of the organization and the breed. **Motion** Don Henderson, second Victoria Voisine that the Society provide \$2500 to fund the project. Motion Carried

Scholarship: No report at this time.

Registry Alternative: Chair Tommy Fey brought council up to date on negotiations with the American Chianina Assn. to handle the administration side of all thing's registration, transfers, membership. Digital Beef software is one portion and annual cost of services required; the administration is another. Currently pricing is known and specifics are being worked out. A preliminary contract and job description will be presented to council as soon as they become available.

Long Range Planning; a written report by Chair Vic Eggleston was presented to council for their perusal. Clarification on quorum, contractor review committee and e-votes will be sought from the LRP committee. The item was tabled until further clarification could be obtained.

Old Business: Past President Jack Bagley reported he sought an opinion from legal counsel on the appropriate organization to receive donations. The Belted Galloway Foundation was the preferred choice.

New Business: 2023 BGS proposed budget. Line items of estimated expenses and income were gone over in detail, with explanations where known provided. **Motion**, Jack Bagley, second, Tommy Fey, the proposed budget be approved. Motion carried

Funding Requests: letters requesting funding for regional events have been received from the GLBGA and the SBGA. **Motion** Dana Jacobson, second Jack Bagley \$250 / per event, or \$500 be approved for the SBGA. Motion Carried **Motion** Jack Bagley, second Dana Jacobson \$250 per event or up to \$1500 be approved for GLBGA. Motion carried.

Council correspondence; council had been sent a copy of an email from Member Marv Bohnet who asks for the return of the breeder's directory on beltie.org. Council discussed the email and feels current undertakings might be acceptable means of remedying this concern at least partially. President Riley will let Mr. Bohnet know of the endeavor that is beginning regarding a directory.

Motion, to adjourn by Jack Bagley, second, Terry Etheridge. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm CST.

Recorded by Greg Hipple Executive Director