

Belted Galloway Society, Inc.
Zoom Council Meeting
January 27, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 pm EST by President Jack Bagley. Present were Vice President Sheri Riley, Council members Terry Etheridge, Tommy Fey, Don Henderson, Pat Hipple, Victoria Oatley and Paul Tarap plus incoming Past President Dawson Masters, Executive Director Vic Eggleston and Newsletter editor Jayde Reilly.

MOTION by Sheri Riley, 2nd by Paul Tarap that the minutes of the November 16, 2021 Council meeting be approved. **Unanimous**

Old Business

- **MOTION** by Pat Hipple, 2nd Paul Tarap that Dawson Masters be elected to fill the position of Past President. **Unanimous**
- **NAILE show**
 - A letter was received December 13 from member Erin Seal regarding her interest and concerns about the National Show was presented to the Council members for their information. A letter will be sent to Erin containing NAILE comments pertaining to her concerns.
 - John Chizm, Superintendent of the beef shows at NAILE presented comments on the shows. He indicated that the total number of animal entries at NAILE was at prepandemic levels. He commented that most of the Belties that were entered in the show actually showed up which was not the case with most other breeds. John cited the shortage of help and inefficient refuse removal as being problems NAILE experienced in 2021. He indicated he would work to schedule the Belted Galloway shows earlier in the beef show schedule and would place the junior show on the weekend along with the other junior breed shows and would assign a preferred section of the stabling area to the Belted Galloways.
 - The council agreed that the professional show organizer used for the 2021 shows would not be utilized for the 2022 show.

New Business

- **President's goals for 2022**
 - Forming a Committee to coordinate youth activities nationally by having each active region designate a junior leader to be a member of the National Junior committee headed by Council member. Victoria Oatley was chosen for that position.
 - Increase membership. Note - The Society membership increased by over 100 comparing 2020 to 2021.
 - By-law review committee, will be part of the Long Range Planning committee, with Don Henderson serving as chairman. After reviewing the by-laws of several beef breed associations and comparing them to the current BGS by-laws, Don indicated he found some potential updates for the Society's by-laws including considering more electronic communication with members, which is now acceptable according Robert's Rules of Order, evaluating the options for establishing a meeting quorum, requiring animal sellers to first

- time buyers provide one year's Society membership. Members of the by-law committee include Michelle Ogle, Greg Hipple and Vic Eggleston in addition to Don Henderson as chair. He indicated plans are for the project to be completed before the Spring Council meeting so that the updates could be voted on by Council at that meeting.
- **Show committee** – Dawson Masters has accepted the position of chair of the show committee. In addition to organizing the 2022 NAILE show, the committee will recommend reducing the maximum age that a calf can be in the cow/calf class and work to make the show rules uniform between the manual, those listed on the beltie.org website and the rules posted in the NAILE show catalog.
 - **Budget & Finance committee** – Terry Etheridge was chosen as chair of the committee along with members Pat Hipple, Victoria Oatley and Don Henderson. They will review the BGS fee schedule and the overall financial status of the Society and make recommendations for possible changes.
 - **The Advertising and Promotion committee** - was established consisting of Sheri Riley, Tommy Fey and Paul Tarap as members who will look into options for refreshing and modernizing of beltie.org in addition to other promotional options including publishing the 2022 Journal.
 - **The independent contractors contracts** will be discussed by the Executive Committee with their recommendations presented at the Spring Council meeting.
 - **Executive Director's Position** - President Bagley will distribute the Executive Director's job description to the Council members for their input.
 - After some discussion, the Council agreed to include the Secretary's function and responsibilities into the updated Executive Director's job description. President Bagley will make available that document to all council members for their information.
 - On behalf of the Society, Bagley indicated he had plans to retain legal counsel to develop a contract for the position that would reflect updated provision from the current contract held by Vic Eggleston. Bagley also discussed the process for accepting applications, Council input on application with the Executive Committee making the final determination on the offer and selection. Council had no objections to the proposed process.
 - **Secretary's report.** (attached) was presented. It shows that the number of transactions remained static compared to 2020, however the total membership increased by over 100 members.
 - **MOTION** – by Dawson Masters, 2nd by Paul Tarap that Terry Etheridge be elected Treasurer. **Unanimous.**

The Spring Council meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 23 at Fryeburg Maine.

Adjourn

- **MOTION** by Pat Hipple, 2nd by Sheri Riley that the meeting be adjourned. **Unanimous.** Meeting adjourned 10:50 pm EST.

Respectively Submitted,

Vic Eggleston

Jayde Reilly