

**Northern Illinois Angus Association
Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2023; Mimmo's, Forreston**

**Next Meeting
Weds. June 7, 2023
Mimmo's, Forreston @ 7 pm**

Board Members in Attendance: Lyle & Codee Miller, Robin & Jeremiah Johnson, Dan Deuth, Annette & Greg Gruhn, Stephanie Schultz, Sam Miller, Jim Marsh, Skyler Fischer, Jarad Carroll, Ben Kiner and Dianne Handsaker.

Meeting was called to order by President, Lyle Miller, at 7:16 pm.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the December 7, 2022, meeting were presented in writing by Secretary, Dianne Handsaker. Dan Deuth moved to approve the minutes. Jeremiah Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was presented in writing by Renee Scholl. Current Balances: checking: \$27,998.96, Scholarship Savings: \$1151.58, CD: \$10,000.00. Jim Marsh moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Greg Gruhn seconded. Motion passed.

State Report: IAA has a meeting on 3/23/23. They are discussing having a bred female sale in December.

Old Business:

2023 NIAA Banquet: Even though we had inclement weather, the banquet still had 100+ attendees. Rt. 20 did not charge us for all the steak dinners we confirmed. The cost of the meal, open bar and cupcakes was \$3144 and we took in \$3270. The live auction total was \$16,400 with \$1050 to be received. \$1020 was raised with the bucket raffle. The event was very successful especially with the weather. The date for the 2024 banquet would be January 27, 2024. The board decided to have the 2024 banquet back at Rt. 20 in Freeport. Dianne will confirm the date with Rt. 20.

2023 Preview Show: The 2023 NIAA Preview Show will be held on Sunday, June 25, 2023, at the Carroll County Fairgrounds. Discussed the entry fees of \$20 for early and \$75 late or onsite entries. Dianne Handsaker moved to keep entry fees the same. Dan Deuth seconded. Motion passed. Codee and Robin will meet to decide and order awards, but they need a budget amount. A few new sponsor signs will be needed. Bedding will need to go with the exhibitor, but manure may be placed in the pits at the fairgrounds. Duties: Renee Scholl, Sam Miller (if available); Ring/line-up: Dan Deuth, Casey Jentz and Greg & Annette Gruhn; Announcer/Sound System: Paul Handsaker; Backdrop: Jeremiah Johnson & Lyle Miller, Scales/Gates: Lyle Miller. Brad Schumacher will have the Sullivan Supply Trailer. The Polo FFA will have a food stand. Judge Nominations: Tyler Bush, Will Coor, Eric Schaefer, Ty Webster, Eric Gertes and Phil Johnson were nominated. Eric Schaefer had the most votes in the first round of voting. The second round was Phil Johnson, Will Coor and Ty Webster respectively.

2023 Top Ten Program: The fairs were discussed. Jim Marsh said the Labor Day Spectacular would like to host a Top Ten Show. The Elizabeth Community Fair was also discussed. After much discussion, Jeremiah Johnson moved to add the Labor Day Spectacular to the Top Ten shows in 2023. Jarad Carroll seconded. Motion passed. The board discussed not charging the fairs in 2023 due to the successful banquet. Jim Marsh moved to not charge the fairs in 2023. Sam Miller seconded. Motion passed. A letter will be sent to the fairs explaining that we have had successful auctions and are not charging them in 2023.

No other old business.

New Business:

2023 Scholarship: The scholarship needs to be posted no later than May 1 and due June 1. The committee is Jim Marsh, Amy Kirchner, Dan Deuth, Stephanie Schultz and Renee Scholl. The budget committee will meet to discuss having one or two scholarships.

Budget: The budget committee is Lyle & Codee Miller, Robin & Jeremiah Johnson, Stephanie Schultz, Renee Scholl, Sam Miller and Dianne Handsaker. The committee scheduled a meeting on March 28 at 7 pm at Rt. 20.

No other new business

Junior Report: Report was presented in writing and noted the activities for 2023. Rescheduled the Clip n Fit on May 7 at Stone Creek Angus.

Next Meeting: The next board meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, at 7 pm at Mimmo's, Forreston. Dan Deuth moved to adjourn the meeting. Skyler Fischer seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne Handsaker, NIAA Secretary