

Oregon Pork Producers Annual Meeting Minutes
Saturday, February 16, 2013
Oregon State University – Corvallis, OR

Meeting was called to order following a morning educational seminar with topics including Importance of Pedigrees, Current Trends in Purebred Genetics, Boar and Boar Stud Management, Gilt Selection and Genetic Diseases and Defects.

Jr. Members went into the arena to work with Janelle Rice to work on showmanship skills. Auction for the youth account was conducted with donated items totaling \$570.

Meeting was called to order at 1:46 p.m. by President Nannette Bierma after a lunch that was catered by OSU Meat Sciences Club. The current board members were introduced.

OSU Animal Sciences Report – No one was able to be here for the meeting.

National Pork Board Update – Bryn Jennson was present and presented an update. Bryn reported on the following items: Checkoff and what we are funding and the future, Pork Gateway,

Minutes were handed out and read from the 2012 meeting. Claude Williamson moved to approve the 2012 annual meeting minutes as presented, motion seconded by Greg Gonzales. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report was presented by Gayle Burke. Current account balances are:

Mandatory Small State Account - \$4,384.46

Voluntary Account (balance minus reserves) - \$5,897.42

Youth Show Account (balance minus reserves) - \$1,311.87

Greg Gonzeles moved to approve the treasurer's report, motion seconded by George Rathjen. Motion Passed.

Youth Reports –

2012 Sweepstakes: We had 37 jr members that entered the sweepstakes program.

Donation Gilt: In 2012 we had two donation gilts that were donated for jr members to increase their herd. Gracie Krahn received the gilt that was donated by Dakota Wille and Wayne Barnett received the gilt donated by Jodi Sonka. Gracie Krahn gave a youth presentation what she has learned from her gilt.

2012 Scholarship: Scholarship was presented to Libby Parent. Each year we award a \$400 scholarship a jr. member.

2013 Sweepstakes: Will be very similar to 2012, however, jr. members will automatically enrolled in the sweepstakes upon paid jr member is received.

Bylaw Review –

Lee Letsch presented the proposed 2013 bylaw changes as proposed by the board of directors. Discussion followed on the proposed changes. Gayle moved that we accept the proposed bylaw changes as proposed, seconded by Susan. Motion passed.

Mike Wendte presented the Distinguished Service award to Bob Beckner.

Claude Williamson as the Nom Com chairman explained the voting procedures for Board members and Pork Act Delegate, explaining that only those that paid check off during the last year were eligible to vote.

Claude introduced those individuals who were nominated for the three board seats. The individuals nominated were Lee Letsch, Nannette Bierma, and Wynn Mayfield (all up for re-election) Ed Krische, and Mike Wendte. Votes were taken and counted. Elected to serve 3 year terms were: Nannette Bierma, Lee Letsch, Ed Krische.

Swede and Spencer Salo gave a brief presentation on the 2012 National Pork Forum, and the delegate process and what that is like as a delegate.

Claude passed around the sheet for producers to sign, verifying that they have paid assessments are eligible to vote for Pork Act Delegates.

Claude then asked for nominations for the 2014 Pork Act Delegates. Greg & Susan Gonzales, Ed & Sharon Krische, Bonnie Wuergler & Gayle Burke were nominated. Ballots were passed out and collected; the results were tabulated and announced: Greg & Susan Gonzales were selected as the 2014 Pork Act Delegates; Bonnie Wuergler & Gayle Burke will be the alternates in case either Greg & Susan are unable to go.

Other Business –

Feral Pigs – We have a problem. Association will be supportive

Meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Letsch
OPP Secretary