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FSFF Board of Directors teleconference held August 18, 2015

Attendees: Jason Gress, Mikell Davis, Andy Oslanski, and Brandy Jordan

Absent: Heath Widicker, Jim Ethridge, Brian Valentine, Anne-Marie Rasch, Tony Roberts, & Jerry Robinson

Brandy Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:05pm CST.

Review of minutes from the last BOD meeting held on 06/30/15-

Minutes sent to the Board by email & reviewed by all prior to the meeting; no questions or further discussion.

Jason Gress motioned to accept the minutes.

Andy Oslanski seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Update-

Current Balance:	\$ 5,605.45
O/S Deposits:	299.42
Pending Pmts:	<223.00>
Reconciled Balance:	\$ 5,681.87

Mikell Davis motioned to accept the Financial Update.

Jason Gress seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Discussion on the need for greater FSFF presence at sales/shows-

Previous meeting information:

All agree it would be good for the FSFF to have a greater presence at member sales, larger sales (i.e. Houston), shows, etc. All agree that "sometimes an absence is more noticeable than a presence." Concern expressed for Coordinator constraints due to time/jobs (both Jason & Brandy work FT outside the home) as well as limited FSFF funds to pay related travel costs.

In June, member Glen Wotten notified the Office of 2 upcoming Canadian events. The Board discussed them and approved the purchase of a 2nd booth as both events present conflicts to previously schedule booth events (the TAMU Short Course in August and the NAILE in November). Several Canadian events have been added to the 2015 schedule. Glenn Wotten is serving as the main point of contact for the Canadian booth at this time.

Proposed 2015 Schedule of Events for the FSFF booth (to be modified as needed):

Dixie Nationals	Feb 13 & 14, 2015
Houston	Mar 03, 2015
BHR's Designer Classic*	May 16, 2015
TJSSA State Futurity*	June 11-14, 2015
TJSSA Nationals	July 5-12, 2015
Canadian Jr National Show*	July 30-Aug 2, 2015
TAMU Short Course	Aug 3-5, 2015
Bar 5's Production Sale*	Oct 3, 2015
Anchor D's Production Sale*	Oct 16, 2015
The Magnolia Classic*	Oct 31, 2015
The Royal Winter Fair*	Nov, 2015
NAILE*	Nov 14-20, 2015

*No booth fees required

*Canadian events

Lack of ASA involvement with FSFF events at 2014 NAILE-

Previous meeting information:

ASA responded to Larry Maxey's letter of complaint effectively blaming new staff & a lack of communication within their organization for not assisting us at the 2014 NAILE.

Board agrees no response necessary at this time. However, we do need to contact them later this summer to ask if they will be available to help at the 2015 NAILE. A response is needed from them by the end of August to allow us to prepare for the shows & solicit volunteer staffing if they cannot assist us. All agree it is best to try to obtain written confirmation from the ASA as early as possible to know if they will be able to provide support/help as in years prior to the 2014 NAILE. Brandy agreed to ask Larry Maxey if he will draft a letter on behalf of the FSFF.

06.30.15 Update:

Larry Maxey has personally spoken with ASA Vice President Wade Shafer & has his word the ASA will provide the FSFF with the assistance needed to put on well organized and successful shows at the 2015 NAILE.

08.18.15 Update:

Larry Maxey & Wade Shafer are working to schedule a conference call to include themselves, Jason & Nikki Gress, Brandy Jordan, Brian Valentine, and several ASA employees to discuss the needs of the FSFF at the 2015 NAILE. The goal of this call is to ensure the FSFF has the personnel (FSFF and ASA Staff) to meet its needs with regard to show check-in, show/class schedules, ring help, etc.

2015 NAILE-

Previous meeting information:

- Speaker for the annual meeting- after brief discussion, the Board determined it is too early yet to decide on whether or not to have a speaker for the annual meeting. The NAILE schedule has not yet been set and if the shortened schedule format is used again in 2015, we most likely will not have time for a speaker.
- Fleck Effect- the Board agreed cattle entered in the Fleck Effect show must be 50% Fleckvieh (as per current rules). There was no motion to change the current rules.
- Judges- several Board members are working to contact judges they think will be knowledgeable/fair/impartial to see if they would be available to judge our shows & what they would charge the FSFF to do so.
 - More cost effective to hire judges who are already going to be in Louisville, if possible.
 - Need to ask Larry Maxey who normally decides on the judges & when the information will be needed for the NAILE premium book.

06.30.15 Update:

Confirmation received the NAILE has reverted back to the long schedule. FSFF will be there from November 14-20, but we are still waiting on final show schedule to be set. Nikki has sent several emails to the Board of proposed FSFF activities for greater youth involvement. Need everyone to review and discuss at the next meeting.

08.18.15 Update:

Too few Board members present at meeting for much conversation. Decisions concerning the President's Reception & Annual meeting & any other meals/events will be made via email. Jason & Brandy have purchased a few items to give out as door prizes at the annual meeting (their donation). Jason & Nikki Gress have made several calls to different companies soliciting auction donations. All agreed we need to wait until we have a better idea of participation to finalize a lot of the NAILE event details, especially with regard to proposed youth activities. Show entry deadline is October 15.

New Business:

- The online NAILE premium book still lists the judges for all FSFF shows as "TBA". The information was given to the NAILE staff prior to their stated deadline. Brandy to contact Jeff Zinner to ask if that can be corrected ASAP.

The next Board meeting/teleconference TBD.

At 6:50pm CST, Andy Oslanski motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Jason Gress seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.