

FSFF 2022 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

10/21/2022

- **Call to order**

Genry Ellison, interim chairman, called to order the 2022 Annual Business meeting of the FSFF on October 21, 2022. The meeting was held at Little Creek Cattle in Starkville, MS.

- **Welcome**

- a) Genry Ellison welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayer.

- **New Board Member Election**

- a) Three new board members need to be elected. There are 8 nominations. Genry Ellison asked for nominations from the floor. Fred Schuetze motioned to cease nominations from the floor. Larry Throgmorton seconded the motion. Genry Ellison asked for ballots to be passed out and explained that the 3 nominees with the most votes would be elected. Ballots were passed out and collected.

Josh Gardner – Red Oak Farm Greenville, Alabama

Terry Bowman – TCBO Farms Charleston, Arkansas

Roger Schager – Phoenix Cattle Co Louisville, Colorado

Ben Estes – Estes Ranch Vinson, Oklahoma

Brian Valentine – Professional Livestock Solutions Roland, Oklahoma

Duane Andrews – Andrews Fleckvieh Simmental Gillett, Pennsylvania

David Kulp – Kulp Genetics Manheim, Pennsylvania

Kenneth Airheart – K5 Rafter Top Simmentals Athens, Texas

- b) The newly elected board members are Josh Gardner, Ben Estes, and Brian Valentine. It was noted that the officers would be elected by the board at their next meeting on 11/8/22.

- **Items covered with the membership**

- a) The balance of the FSFF bank accounts was covered. This is the highest known balance in the last 10 years. A financial statement is available upon request.
- b) Advertising has done well this year. The board spent roughly \$11,000 on advertising in multiple publications during 2022.

- c) Fundraising did well this year and has benefited the FSFF. Future fundraising opportunities are being considered.
- d) FSFF Membership Directory is being planned for June 2023 through summer 2024. Memberships need to be in by end of January 2023. Ads will be sold and available for the members to purchase.
- e) FSFF will be supporting cattle shows more in the coming year. We will offer a premium at the major shows beginning in the fall of 2022. This will start with the 2022 NAILE. The award will go to the JR Grand Champion heifer.

- **Fred Schuetze Award**

- a) The award for 2022 was presented to Glen Vaughn. Luke and Gail Vaughn were present to accept the award.

- **Questions and concerns**

- a) The floor was opened for questions. There were no questions but a new breeder, Twin Creek, spoke about the comradery and the friendships and help that they had found at the Back to Grass sale and this had brought them to the Magnolia Classic and was a reason that they wanted to continue with Fleckvieh.

- **ASA Representative**

- a) Randy Moody addressed the membership regarding changes and advances in the ASA. He took questions from the breeders.

- **Adjournment**

Genry Ellison closed the meeting.

Minutes submitted by: Heather Ellison

Minutes approved by: Board 11/08/22