

NORTHWEST LOWLINE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting via teleconference

October 23, 2012

PRESENT

Shelley Dodd

Jacqui Duran

Diana Lillefloren

Rick Palmer

Beverly Shirts

Katherine Wise

Diana called the meeting to order at 7:13 Pacific time.

REPORTS

Secretary's report

Minutes from the October 2, 2012 board meeting: Shelley moved to accept the minutes; Rick seconded, and all voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership Dues

There is some concern that previous members of SLABA will have to pay more dues to join the NWLA with the registration fee of \$40.00 and \$35.00 yearly dues, totaling \$75.00. We discussed waiving the registration fee for people who were SLABA members.

Bylaws

We need to clarify the language in the Bylaws pertaining to being an active member of NWLA. Cattle must be registered with ALR and members reside in the region. We also need to change the Bylaws to be more clear about raising the dues to the flat rate of \$35.00 and eliminating the per animal fee. This should also be clearly stated in the letter sent out to Lowline owners.

EXPO 2013

The date has been set to May 3-5. It will be held at Idaho Lowlines again. There will be a wine tasting fundraiser, Private Treaty Sale, and a Jackpot Futurity. There will be more demonstrations and seminars as well as a lot of kids' activities. Diana says that local winery, Coeur d' Alene Cellars might be interested in participating in the wine tasting. She is planning on meeting with several wineries.

Lowline Ledger

Jacqui asked if we have a free full-page advertisement. The deadline is coming up on the 20th of November. We should talk about the EXPO and our expansion. The question was raised as to what name we use in the ad and whether we should still call the EXPO the "Northwest Lowline Expo". We should talk about the new states added to our region, show dates for 2013, and the Expo for the winter ledger and for our ad in the spring ledger, announce our new region name and members.

NEW BUSINESS

New Region Name

The board recommends the new name: Western States Lowline Association. Jacqui moved to make this our new region name; Shelley seconded, and all voted in favor. This will be put on the ballot for membership vote.

Bylaws

We need to go through the bylaws and make sure the wording is right. Bylaw changes need a membership vote, rules don't.

New Member Letter

We should follow up the letter with phone calls if we have time.

Elections

Rick Palmer will not be running for re-election. The Vice Chair position is still open. Beverly moved to nominate Alan Bradshaw for Treasurer Position; Shelley seconded.

Finances

We have \$4,023 in our checking and \$779.68 in the youth account, according to Rick. We need to make sure we have money for the EXPO. We should receive ALR funding around March. The funds we receive from ALR depend on the number of members in our Region. We also need to come up with advertising ideas for the EXPO such as sponsors and selling raffle tickets.

Beverly moved to adjourn the meeting; Jacqui seconded.

MEETING ADJOURNED

8:11 Pacific time

Katherine Wise, Interim Secretary

Submitted November 15, 2012