

American Dexter Cattle Association Conference Call

March 7, 2018 - 7 pm CDT

President - Greg Dickens	Youth Dir Elissa Emmons-Sawyer	Region 7 – Robin Welch
Vice Pres - Lesa Reid	* Parliamentarian - David Jones	Region 8 – Doug Loyd
IPP - Jim Woehl	Bulletin Editor -	* Region 9 – Kim Newswanger
Secretary - Carole Nirosky	Region 1 – Rebecca Gygax	Region 10 – Patrick Mitchell
* Treasurer - Jim Smith	Region 2 – Laaci Louderback	Region 11 -
Registrar - Jill Delaney	Region 4 – Joel Dowty	Region 12 – Terry Sprague
Webmaster - Ray Delaney	Region 6 – Jeff Chambers	
	*designates member absence	

1. Welcome / Rollcall – Greg Dickens
 - a. Jim Woehl motioned, and Terry Sprague seconded, for Rebecca Gygax to be appointed as the interim Regional Director for region 1, for the remainder of Greg Dicken’s original term ending in 2018. Motion passed by acclimation.
 - b. Rebecca was then contacted and asked to join the BOD in the conference call.
2. Communication SOP – Doug Loyd
 - a. 4 Items on the proposed Information Sharing SOP’s were brought up for discussion by the BOD. Doug will revise the proposed document to reflect the agreed upon changes and present it to the BOD for review.
 - b. The BOD will have 5 days to review and comment on before the corrected Information Sharing SOP is sent to David Jones to be added to ADCA Standard Operating Procedures.
3. AGM - Jim W
 - a. Debra Hawkins has finalized the design of the T-Shirts for the 2018 AGM
 - b. 2018 Education Schedule has been completed.
 - c. 50 extra tickets for the Gearld Fry seminar will be available at a cost (to be determined) for others outside the ADCA wanting to attend.
 - d. Hospitality Committee has secured a Caterer that will prepare meals for all 3 evenings. Including the Thursday evening meet and greet.
 - e. Last years “Meet & Greet” was sponsored by Oklahoma Dexter Cattle Association, Missouri Dexter Breeders Association, Rocky Mountain Dexter Breeders & more. They, and others have been contacted to see if they would be interested in sponsoring Thursday evenings dinner again this year.
 - f. Both Judges have been contracted for the AGM
 - g. Photographers have been obtained.
 - h. Need to contact Sheila Farris about running the Photo Show again.
 - i. Working with the Chambers of Commerce to have a Veterinarian on hand Saturday afternoon for sale animals. Sale will stop 2 hours before Vet arrives to allow for paperwork to be completed.
 - j. AGM Store should be opening soon
 - k. Regional Directors are encouraged to ask for volunteers to help at AGM. Jeff Chambers will email list to BOD again this week. Contact Jeff with names of volunteers.
 - l. No split sponsorships this year.
 - m. Don Giles has been asked to M.C.
 - n. It was understood that the Best of Show award of \$500, introduced last year would continue on for this year and future AGM’s.

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- o. 2019 AGM will be in Lincoln Nebraska, contract has been signed with an option for 2020.
 - p. 2019 Host Hotel will be Country Inn and Suites at \$89 per night. 100 Rooms have been reserved.
 - q. AGM Committee will have a follow up meeting March 13, 2018.
4. Youth Program – Elissa Emmons
- a. Vests – On hold because youth surveyed were not sold on wearing a vest at the AGM.
 - b. Working on a possible Quiz Bowl for 2019, not sure if there is enough time to implement for 2018.
 - c. Planned speaker had to cancel due to scheduling problems. In process of looking for a replacement speaker for the youth.
 - d. Would like to present a “Youth Herdsman Award”. Jim Woehl motioned and Laaci Louderback seconded, for a Youth Herdsman, Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Award, that mirrors the adult Herdsman Award, be added. Motion passed unanimously.
 - e. Elissa was invited to be a part of the next AGM Committee meeting, March 13, 2018.
 - f. Looking at a possible Scrapbook project for the youth.
 - g. Elissa would like to be informed of events where Youth are showing Dexters
 - h. Houston Livestock show had 29 entries with 20 animals in attendance.
5. Texas A&M – Doug Loyd
- a. Revised form was approved by the BOD
 - b. April 1, 2018 Texas A&M will accept testing forms and payments directly from ADCA members.
 - c. Jim Smith will contact Texas A&M to verify a system is in place to distinguish testing requests and payments still going through ADCA.
6. Treasury Review – Greg Dickens
- a. Greg contacted a local accountant for an estimate to complete an audit. Cost should be between \$1500 and \$2000.
 - b. Jeff Chambers suggested, and the BOD agreed an independent firm outside of Springfield, Missouri should be contracted to do an audit. Greg will call the firm HBE Becker, Meyer, and Love LLP in Nebraska and get back to the BOD with their estimate and availability.
7. Document Storage (cloud, vault) – Robyn Welch
- a. The objective is to have all ADCA files and documents available and up to date in one secure location.
 - b. “BOX” is a cloud storage program, allowing documents to be easily stored and managed. Files can be read only, or administrators can be assigned to manage or change files. Sensitive materials can be hidden with access only granted to relevant individuals.
 - c. Cost is \$15 per month for unlimited users and unlimited storage.
 - d. Task force formed to investigate “BOX” and report back to BOD at next meeting. Committee is Robyn Welch, Ray Delaney, Pat Mitchell and Carole Nirosky.
8. Final Thoughts
- a. Bulletin - members should be receiving the new edition any day now.
 - b. Lesa will resend the list of articles needed for the next edition.

Conference call ended at 9:15 pm