

American Dexter Cattle Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 5, 2023 - 7 pm CDT

President – Laaci Louderback	Youth Interim Dir - Jim Woehl	* Region 7 – Mark Ballard
Vice Pres – Dan Edgington	* Youth President – Erin Chambers	Region 8 – Mark Chaney
IPP - Jim Woehl	Region 1 – Skip Tinney	Region 9 – Kim Newswanger
Secretary - Carole Nirosky	Region 2 – Stefani Millman	Region 10 - Santiago Lizarraga
Registrar - Jill Delaney	Region 4 – David Cluff	Region 11 - John Wallace
Treasurer –	Region 6 – Kimberly Jepsen	Region 12 – vacant

***designates member absence.**

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Laaci Louderback.
- 2) Roll call was taken.
- 3) Reports
 - a) Treasurer’s Report/Update
 - Mark Chaney received a financial report from Jitasa and shared it with the board prior to the meeting. Overall, the reports are easy to read but a question was raised about how some of the categories were totaled. Mark will make some inquiries about the report and bring his findings back to the board at a later date. Total liabilities and equity are \$367,316 as of October 31, 2023.
 - Mark Chaney and Laaci Louderback have been in contact with the new accountant at Jitasa and are working with him to complete the transition of the ADCA finances. There are a few items to iron out, but things are moving forward. Mark has been communicating with Roberta Wieringa and she is also helping by providing information as needed.
 - Carole Nirosky has been in contact with Highpoint bank to remove Roberta Wieringa as a signer and add Mark Chaney. Carole will follow up with Highpoint to ensure the changes are completed, Mark and Carole will be the only signers with access to the bank accounts.
 - Monthly stipends have been delayed. Laaci commented that bill pay should have received the invoices for stipends. Mark will follow up to ensure stipends are paid as quickly as possible. The board recommended sending the ADCA checkbook to the Carole or Mark in case checks need to be issued. Carole will contact Robert about overnighting the checks.
 - Kimberly Jepsen submitted a reimbursement to Roberta Wieringa for the expo venue for \$1500 and has not received payment. Mark will inquire about Kimberly’s reimbursement.
 - A request was made to have a tab for the budget vs actual expenses. Skip asked if anyone had provided Jitasa with a list of recurring bills that are paid on a set schedule to ensure payment. Laaci was sure Roberta had provided that information, but Mark will follow through on this item with Jitasa.
 - b) Registrar’s report – Jill Delaney
 - Total members 2023: 1917 (653 new members / 1264 recurring members)
 - Registrations 2023: 223 / heifers: 105 / cows: 10 / bulls: 44 / steers: 4
 - Registrations 2022: 172 / heifers: 107 / cows: 9 / bulls: 35 / steers: 6
 - Transfers 2023: 207 / 2022: 194
 - Jill Delaney asked Ranch House to adjust the online membership forms to reflect the discount for early renewal.

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- Jill had a mini zoom call with Susan Smythe to discuss the new deployment that she has been working with. BBC in the development stage of online software. The software committee will reconvene the first of the new year.
 - Registrations are only 10 days out due to the additional help received from Fiona Delaney, who is continuing to co complete transfer transactions and Amon Delaney is handling the mailing.
 - Members wanting to add photos to the pedigree page should email photos to Jill (adcaregistrar@gmail.com or Delaney.ray@hotmail.com) and she will make sure they are posted.
 - Jill stated that she did not receive extra Dexter Bulletins from this last mailing for the welcome packets. Kimberly Jepsen was aware of the problem and will follow up with the publisher on missing bulletins. Mark Chaney asked about the cut of date for the Summer Bulletin. Kimberly explained that the new publisher has a different schedule and cutoff dates, but she will let everyone know the new dates as soon as possible.
- 2) Youth – Erin Chambers, the youth president, has been invited to attend ADCA board meeting as her schedule allows. She was not in attendance for this meeting.
- 3) Committee / Task Force Reports – Committee Chairs
- a) Youth Committee – Jim Woehl stated the proposed bylaws are in circulation amongst the youth board and they will be meeting Wednesday, December 7, 2023 to hopefully finalize and have them ready to present to the ADCA board at the January meeting. The youth have requested google email accounts for the YADCA president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Additional emails for the YADCA officers would cost \$576 per year. The board will discuss the request for emails at the budget meeting.
- Laaci Louderback stated that the information for YADCA meetings will be posted on the YADCA Facebook page for any youth interested in attending the meetings.
- b) Budget Committee – Dave Cluff stated that the budget committee had met, and they have several ideas they would like to present to the board at a special budget meeting. Planning was a little more difficult due to the transition of the financial records, but the committee believes the budget should be similar to last year. Following a brief discussion, the board scheduled a special budget meeting for Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 7:00pm.
- c) Regional Updates/Reports
- John Wallace, for personal reasons, will be stepping down as the educational chair.
 - Region 6 will be hosting a regional meeting February 24, 2024 in conjunction with the Oklahoma Dexter Cattle Breeders.
- 4) **Continuing Business**
- c) Region 12 – Dan Edgington was unable to reach a member that had shown interest. Jim Woehl shared that Rick Seydel would be willing to act as the interim director for one year. Jim Woehl made a motion, Mark Chaney 2nd, to appoint Rick Seydel as the interim director for up to one year. The motion passed unanimously.
- d) New Google Accounts set up – Laaci Louderback encouraged directors to complete their sign-in to the new google accounts. A couple of directors were reluctant and expressed concerns about adding an additional email account. Discussion was held about the long-term benefits of switching to google accounts such as, ADCA branding, uniformity on the website, marketing and helping to improve the overall communication within the board and association. Transitioning

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email information will be smoother for future officers and directors. The board agreed to a full transition to using the new email accounts exclusively by January 1, 2023.

5) **New Business**

- c) Bulletin Articles or Notices – Laaci Louderback encouraged directors to submit any upcoming event notices or items of interest for the Bulletin. Kimberly asked if directors could write one article per year because members like hearing from within the association rather than just using canned articles. Directors may also encourage members to submit articles of interest for consideration.

6) Other – no further discussion

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm CST

Next BOD meeting: January 3, 2023, 7:00 pm CST

Submitted by Carole Nirosky