



Annual Meeting Minutes

A Virtual Annual Membership Meeting of the Virginia Holstein Association was held on February 6, 2021 via a zoom/telephone. President Roger Miller called the meeting to order at 10:04 am with a quorum of at least ten (10) members present.

Robert Pemberton moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the 2018 Annual Meeting minutes. Matt Nuckols seconded the motion, motion passed.

Rebecca Daubert gave the Treasurer's report. On the Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2020 there was an asset balance of \$77,392 with current assets and cash account totaling \$32,770 and other assets in the SE Holstein News and investment with VA Dairy Foundation at \$44,621. Total Liabilities of \$332 for a net worth of \$77,060. On the profit and loss statement ending 12/31/2020 the Total income in 2020 was \$20,381 and total expenses were \$19,176 for a net income of \$1142. Randy Inman made the motion to approve the report as read, LaVaun Janney seconded the motion, motion passed.

Moving to Committee Reports. The first was on the VA Dairy Expo. Roger Miller reported that the 2020 VA Dairy Expo was postponed by a year due to the pandemic. The 2021 VA Dairy Expo is tentatively planned for July 10, 2020 in Fishersville at the Augusta Expoland. More information will be shared as plans are finalized.

The Show Committee report was given by Billie Jo Rhodes. She reported that we had a great summer show in 2020. We had exhibitors from VA, NC, MD and WV. Ninety-Nine head were shown at the Summer Show for Judge Michael Lager from MD. Junior Champion of the youth show went to Madelynn Branch with her winter calf PWW Jordy Cocoa-Red and the open show junior champion went to Ashley Hardesty with her fall calf Harvue Diamondback Fritz-ET. The Grand Champion of both the youth and open shows went to Ayla Janney with her senior three year old Savage-Leigh Style-In-ET. For the color breeds show we had 109 head shown for judge Terri Packard from MD. The Supreme Champion of the youth show went to JD Brown II with his R&W Junior Two Harvue Jordy Bahama-Red and the open show Supreme Champion went to Bess Lang with her Ayrshire Senior Three Palmyra Naper B Blush. Also on Friday during the show week we held a great Showmanship workshop with Katie Coyne of Mill Wheel Show Clinics. We had a great turnout of youth and a very competitive showmanship contest.

Randy Inman gave the Sale Report. No sale was held in 2020 and the committee needs to schedule a time to meet. The cost for us to operate a sale is high in order to make a profit and we are looking at ways to decrease costs and still provide a sale that meets the needs of its members.

The publicity report was given by Terry Perotti. She has been working with Joanna Calimer to get ads and article for the issues for this coming year. Any and all ads are welcome and help the magazine. She is working on a membership spotlight feature for the spring and summer that will be posted on the blog when available. The reports for the summer show were sent to SE Holstein News and Farmshine. The promotional items in stock are pens and two types of keychains. No more will be ordered for 2021 and new inventory items will be ordered next year. And some website analytics showed that most of the traffic to the website are from google searches and facebook posts. Activity is higher in the summer months when we have more activities going on with the association. If there is anything you would like to see or share on facebook or the website let her know.

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Rebecca Daubert presented the update for the Junior Association. Holstein USA recognized Rachel Craun as one of the National YDJM Finalists in 2020. We were all very excited and congratulate Rachel on this achievement. The Junior Board and membership plan to have virtual meetings or phone calls in February. At that time they will see if there is interest in youth competing and attending the National Holstein Convention that is scheduled for June in Lancaster, PA if they will have a National Convention to compete at this year.

There was no unfinished business to report. In new business, Past President Matt Nuckols gave the Nominating Committee report. From the board of directors meeting a motion was passed to extend the board member terms by one year through 2021. LaVaun Janney seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Rebecca Daubert provided an update from the Holstein Association USA. There is a new regional representative for Holstein USA. His name is Carl Kent from the upper mid-west and made a trip down through last fall. He hopes to continue this a few times a year. If you have questions or would like to meet him during one of his trips please contact him at ckent@holstein.com or 802-380-0332. Also, from Holstein USA the delegate information for the National Holstein Convention has been shared. Delegates for Virginia will be David Hardesty and Jeremy Daubert. The alternate delegate appointed to serve as a representative for Louisiana is Randy Inman and for Mississippi is Lois Skeen. Rebecca also shared that the All-Virginia Winners are posted on the VA Holstein Website and some herd award winners are included in the Winter Newsletter that was sent out to the membership.

In other announcements, Roger Miller shared condolences to Riley Wagner's family who passed on November 23, 2020. There is one correction from the statement in the Winter Newsletter's President's message that Riley did not serve as Association President, however that does not take away from the tremendous amount of work and contribution he made to the VA Holstein Association over the years, especially as Sale Chairman. Roger stated that we would like to honor his memory by donating \$100 to the Holstein Foundation. In the past we have done this from time to time in lieu of flowers or other memorials. Jeremy Daubert made a motion to donate \$100 to the Holstein Foundation in memory of Riley Wagner, Terry Perotti seconded it. Motion passed. Roger Miller also stated that he will match the \$100 donation and invites anyone else in any amount that is willing to do so.

Randy Inman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Matt Nuckols seconded it. Motion passed, and meeting was adjourned at 10:27 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Daubert, Secretary/Treasurer