

**2021 CDC BOARD FALL  
ZOOM MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by President Rachael Gately at 7:34 PM EST on December 7, 2021. Directors on-line were: Glenn Stunkel, Linda Mastin, Bob Schembs, Jeremy Crouch and Bart Caldwell. CDC Exec. Sec/Treas. Deb Hopkins was also online in attendance to take minutes.

**Secretary's Report:** Deb Hopkins presented in writing the meeting minutes from the 2021 Annual Board Meeting held March 18, 2021 in Greenville, OH. Jeremy Crouch moved to accept the minutes as printed and updated. Bob Schembs seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Deb Hopkins presented the current fiscal report for the time period from September 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021. It was reported that total income was \$11,260.52; total expenses were \$21,722.42, for a net loss for the period of \$10,461.90. Account balances were: Checking \$89,629.41, Money Market \$10,207.30, CD \$26,439.80, Dexter/Navigant Savings \$25.00, Junior Association \$36,748.14 for a total of \$163,049.65 on hand. Bart Cardwell moved to accept the treasurer's report. Glenn Stunkel seconded. Motion carried. Deb Hopkins reported that the 2020-2021 fiscal records were going to the accountants for the annual tax form filing and noted that the association's bottom line was \$18,144.18 in the black due to the increase in registration and transfer work last year.

**CDC Stats:** Deb Hopkins reported the current 2021-2022 stats. 536 head have been registered to date (down 114 head from last year) and 333 head transferred (down 39 head from last year). There has also been 56 head of Dorset Advantage sheep registered and 81 head transferred in that time period. Deb Hopkins also reported the year-end stats for 2020-2021. There were 5518 head registered (up 585 head from the previous year) and transferred 2693 head (up 95 head from the previous year). There were 883 Dorset Advantage Sheep registered (up 191 head from last year) and 563 Dorset Advantage sheep transferred (up 99 head from last year). The top fifteen states in registrations were: 1)Indiana 1027 head; 2)Iowa 806; 3)Ohio 626; 4)Illinois 486; 5)Oklahoma 386; 6)Pennsylvania 359; 7)Virginia 358; 8)Minnesota 279; 9)South Dakota 246; 10)Kansas 219; 11)Wisconsin 205; 12)Idaho 194; 13)Oregon 162; 14)California 143; and 15)Missouri 125. The top individual registrars were: 1)Purdue University, IN (*Wether*) 105 head; 2)Wilfong Dorsets, VA (*Frame & Wether*) 102; 3)Thomas J. Dagel, SD (*Frame, Wether & Production*) 92; 4)Kelli & Brett Slack, IN (*Wether*) 78; 5)Robert Vander Schaaf, IA (*Production*) 69; 6)Steve Swenka Family, IA (*Production & Wether*) 68; 7)Paul R. Cassell, VA (*Horned*) 67; 8)McCord Enterprises, OR (*Horned*) 66; 9)Jeffrey A. Hunter, IN (*Production*) 63; 10)Fisher Club Lambs, ID (*Wether*) 61; 11)Vermazen Dorsets, IA (*Production*) 60; 12)Kirsten Sass Hatfield, OH (*Wether*) 56; 13)H.F. Sanford & Sons, MN (*Frame*) 53; 14)Virginia Tech, VA (*Wether & Production*) 49; 15)Greenleaf Valley, PA (*Horned*) 47.

**Correspondence:** Deb Hopkins reported that she has received thank-you notes from the Collegiate, Junior College and 4-H Judging contests in Louisville. The CDC also receive a thank you from the Great Lakes Regional Junior Show, Dorset Ewe Grant Recipient Selah Blum, a Kathie Harmann Memorial Winner Kara Nelson, NDJA Scholarship Winner L.R. Burns, NAILE Leadline Class Winner Campbell Reese and several All American Junior Show exhibitors thank-yous. A special donation was made to the NJDA in the name of Wendy Lacadie's mother, thank you to them for their generosity

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**-Dorset Futurity:** Deb Hopkins presented the final futurity standings for the 2021 program. A total of \$3,715 was paid out to 17 participants. Awards and rosettes were presented to regional and national winners for an additional \$859.47. There were 145 polled ewe lambs nominated for the program taking in \$3600 in nomination fees. The Dorset Advantage division had 20 ewe lambs nominated bringing in \$325 in nomination fees. The yearling ewe program had 2 nominations taking in \$50 in nomination fees. The horned ewe lamb futurity had 43 ewe lambs nominated taking in \$925 in nomination fees. Of the total 208 ewe lambs nominated 94 (45%) were purchased by junior buyers and were eligible for futurity participation. The futurity had a record number of 7 group nominators. Deb also wanted to remind breeders with online sales to get the filled out Online Futurity Sales Nomination forms into the CDC office before the sale dates as online sales have contributed greatly to the program by offering almost half of the ewe lambs nominated.

**-Breed Standard Education & Promotion:** Ron Waldron and Mclayn Musick were voted onto the certified judges list. Deb Hopkins reported that the CDC did not pay out on the Dorset Wether Incentive plan and perhaps a committee needs to look at the program to re-do the guidelines. Linda Mastin, Bob Schembs and Bart Cardwell were appointed to the committee. Deb reported that the Dorset Slick Shearing Road Map banner has been used at the AAJS and NAILE Shows. The slick shearing picture guidelines still need to get up on the website for reference.

**-Newsletter/Webpage:** Deb Hopkins reported that the 2021 Fall Edition was completed as an online edition. It was posted on the CDC website and emailed out at the end of October, pre-Louisville. Advertising support was minimal. Deb Hopkins reported that our ad designer Dale Smith notified her of his retirement from the position. Thank you to Dale for over 20 years of service to the CDC. With that being said, Deb presented a proposal from Kasey Gordon to be the advertising designer, sales and newsletter set-up person for the Dorset Connection moving forward. Linda Mastin moved to accept Kasey's proposal for being the Dorset Connection Adverting Designer, ad sales and newsletter set-up person. Bob Schembs seconded. Motion carried. Deb also reported that our website designer Frank Tiffany was looking to ease up on his commitments so Deb also presented a web site design proposal and maintenance program from Novel Designs.

Jeremy Crouch move to accept the mobile friendly website proposal from Novel Designs. Bob Schembs seconded. Motion carried. Thank you to Frank Tiffany for his many years of service to the CDC and we are glad he will still be working with us on the registry program maintenance. Deb will reach out to Novel Designs and Kasey Gordon to start working with them for the upcoming 2022 Winter Dorset Connection and new website.

**-All-American Junior Show:** Deb Hopkins reported that the 2022 All American will be at the Eastern States Fairgrounds in West Springfield, MA from June 30-July 3. The New England committee is working hard and getting organized to host a great event. Deb will put together the CDC class sponsorship list and publicize next spring. Sink/Padgett has already offered to donate a horned ewe lamb to be sold for benefit of the show and Pine Knob Farm will donate towards the polled portion of the show whether with an ewe lamb or monetarily. Deb will also once again send out AAJS raffle tickets in breeder's first registration work of the year and will appreciate folks retuning the sold tickets to support the show. The AAJS will once again be doing the Ram Semen Benefit Online auction in the spring and we need some lots of Dorset semen offered to help support the ever growing All American.

**-National Junior Dorset Association:** Deb Hopkins reported that the Annual Junior Association Meeting held their Annual Meeting in Louisville on Saturday night November 13, 2021. There were over 80 people in attendance for the meeting and pizza party. The association presented the \$1000 Tracy Repasky Scholarship to L.R. Burns, OR. The 2021 Dorset Futurity Awards were also presented along with the first Dorset Showman at a National Event show brushes. Allison Smith will once again be organizing a NJDA Benefit Online Auction. It will be March 2022 on Show Circuit Online Sales. Allison is looking for animals, semen, or anything sheep related for the sale. Consignors can donate all or a percentage of their sales. Last year the sale generated over \$4000 for the association so they could carry out their scholarship and ewe purchase grant programming for the youth. The NJDA voted in the following board of directors: President Keegan Padgett, IN; Vice President: Kyle Schakel, IN; Secretary/Treasurer: Breanna Knittel, IL; Madelyn Syme, CT; Emma Oberholtzer, PA; Raevyn Odum, CO and Megan Smith, MT. The NJDA board is making plans for more activities in 2022 and will be having zoom board meetings in the new year to organize.

**-Production Committee:** Nothing to report at this time.

**-Dorset Youth Ewe Purchase Grant:** Deb Hopkins reported that there were 37 applications received for the three age divisions with the Intermediate Division again having twice as many as the other age division, so probably will award two in that division once again. Deb will get them scanned and emailed out to the committee for their evaluation. Deb will also update the scoring rubric to give a wider point range so scoring will be easier for the evaluators. Deb also reported that one of the ewe grants from last year has gone unclaimed after two notifications but they still have to the end of the year to claim.

**-Dorset Hall of Fame:** Deb Hopkins reported that the CDC is in need of some Hall of Fame nominations so inductee(s) can be recognized at the upcoming CDC Annual Meeting in Ohio. The board will contact some folks to get nominations in.

#### **-OLD BUSINESS:**

**-2022 Western & Great Plains Director Elections:** Deb Hopkins reported that the committee chairmen and committees were announced in the fall newsletter and the committees have received all of their directions from the CDC office as nominees need to be sent into the office January 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **-NEW BUSINESS:**

**-2022 National Sale & Annual Meeting:** The National Sale for Polled & Horned Dorset Breeding Sheep will be at the Ohio Dorset Sale, Greenville, OH on March 18 & 19 and the 2022 Dorset Wether Sires & Dams and Dorset Advantage will be at the Midwest Stud Ram Sale in Sedalia, MO on June 15-17. The CDC Annual Membership Meeting and Hall of Fame Induction will be at the Ohio Dorset Sale on Friday, March 18 soon after the sale show. The CDC Board meeting will be Thursday evening at 6:00 PM, Deb will get a meeting room at the sale headquarters. Sale management will be providing sale day online bidding.

**-NAILE National Dorset Shows:** Directors in attendance reported on the 2022 shows at NAILE. Deb Hopkins reported that the 2022 national open shows were named in honor of longtime breed secretary Marion Meno. Marion's daughter Barb Henry and her husband John were on hand to accept the award in Marion's memory. The show numbers were up in all of the Dorset shows and the new fitted/slick shorn class format worked very well in the Polled Dorset shows. Deb reported that she had been contacted by the NAILE sheep show supt. to give suggestions for the show, which she did and outlined what improvements need to be made to keep this show's prestige. The lack of banners and some rosettes for the open shows was noted. They are being ordered and will be mailed out by NAILE to the winning exhibitors.

2022 Judge Nominations were selected for the ballots as follows: Polled Fitted/Horned Dorsets: Skip Anderson, John Mrozinski, Brad Angus, Tim Hall; and Polled Slick Shorn: Dustin Cruitt, Craig Beckmier, Brent Jennings, Brad Angus. These names will be put on the ballots send out to NAILE exhibitors for preference ranking submitted to NAILE. Deb also asked the board for some Junior Show judge suggestions as there will need to be new judges needed and the names of Tim Gadsby, Aaron Crome and Katherine Kuykendall were suggested along with Sara Kuykendall for Breeding Sheep Showmanship.

**-2022 Regional Junior Dorset Show Sites:** The sites for the upcoming 2022 Regional Dorset Shows are:

- New England: Northeast Youth Sheep Show, West Springfield, MA July 8-10 (*moved up to be right behind AAJS*)
- Eastern: TBA looking into Tennessee sites
- Great Lakes: Ohio State Fair, Columbus, OH July 26, 2022

- North Central: Freedom Fest, Sedalia, MO May 27-29
- Great Plains: Pistol Pete Classic, Stillwater, OK Late July
- Western: TBA working on couple of options

**-Executive Session:** Board retired into executive session.

**-By-Law Committee Appointment:** Racheal Gately appointed Bob Schembs, Linda Mastin and Deb Hopkins to the by-law review and up-dating committee to start going over the current set of by-laws and present updates for consideration moving forward.

**-Secretary's Travel:** The board requested that the executive secretary personally attend the 2022 National Sale at the Ohio Dorset Sale, May Ohio Showcase Sale if possible, All American Junior Show in Massachusetts and NAILE. Deb will make arrangements to get the class winning photos from Sedalia posted to the CDC Facebook page and will promote sale from afar on the Facebook page. Racheal Gately will be going and can take ring shots for posting.

Glenn Stunkel moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Bob Schembs. Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM.

***Respectively submitted,  
Debra Hopkins  
CDC Exec. Sec./Treas.***

