National Shorthorn Lassie Annual and Board Meetings November 16, 2019 | Louisville, Kentucky

Megan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Current board members in attendance were Megan, Sydney, Elaine, Pam and Sommer.

Sydney read the secretary's report from the 2018 Annual Meeting at the North American International Livestock Exposition. Elaine moved to accept the secretary's report as read, Sydney seconded. Motion passed.

Pam passed out the treasurer's report and discussed the expenses and income from the previous year. The current balance as of November 7th, 2019 was \$7,994.56. Sydney moved to accept the treasurer's report, Sommer seconded. Motion passed. After the treasurer's report, Sommer update the group on the current state of our cd's. The larger CD does mature in July 2020 and the smaller one matures in November 2022. There will be over \$1100 interest for the two when I withdraw them next year. Faye Korthaus moved to cash in both CD's upon the expiration of the larger CD in July 2020, Elaine seconded. Motion passed.

In 2019, we had fundraisers at three events; 50/50 raffle at NWSS in Denver, a lot in the Leading a Legacy sale, and Deck the Stalls at NAILE. At the time of the meeting, the foundation has not yet paid the lassies for 2018 Deck the Stalls. We raised \$1275 in 2018 and \$1600 in 2019. Pam spoke with Bill Rasor to ensure the lassies get paid.

We discussed the potential reasons as to why girls were not running for queen with cost being one of them. Currently the National queen gets \$2250 in travel funds and \$1000 in scholarship, the National Alternate queen gets \$1750 in travel funds and \$500 in scholarship. Of the travel funds, \$750 comes from the foundation with the lassie association contributing the rest. Pam noted that both queens are required to attend the same events and their expenses should reflect that. Sydney moved that we ask the foundation for \$1000 or more per queen for travel expenses, Sommer seconded. Motion passed. Then Sydney moved that we raise queen expenses to a total of \$3000 per queen annually, Faye Korthaus seconded. Motion passed.

Desirae Logsdon then introduced herself as the queen candidate for 2019-2020. She is originally from Ohio where she and her family own and operate Foster Farms Shorthorns and attends school at Wilmington College.

Current queens, Emily and Faye, then gave their year in review. Emily traveled a total of 4,177 miles across multiple states racking up \$4,013.66 in expenses. Faye traveled 2,424 miles including a trip to the ASA Annual Meeting. She highly recommends future queens going as an excellent way to connect with breeders and association board/staff members. The queens made care packages as a part of the Lassie Tea at Junior Nationals this past June. The packages were then delivered to the Peyton Manning Hospital in Indianapolis. Additionally, they hosted Lassie 101 at Junior Nationals.

Megan opened the floor for nominations for the Lassie Board. Megan, Pam, Elaine, Gwen, Faye K. and Faye S. were all nominated and accepted. Sydney moved to cast and unanimous ballot and Sommer seconded.

Sommer moved to adjourn the meeting, Elaine seconded. We moved immediately into our board meeting.

At our board meeting the following member were elected to the listed offices. Sommer – president. Megan – VP. Sydney – secretary. Pam – treasurer. Faye S. – publicity. Elaine and Gwen – queen cochairs. Faye K. – director.

To allow for more time the board decided to have a phone conference call in the beginning of January 2020. Sydney volunteered to set up a conference call.

Articles for the 2020 year are as follows:	
January: Introduce new Queens/Thank you from past Queens	Elaine/Gwen
February: What your dues pay for?	Pam
March: Board Bios	Sommer
April: Tartan Education	Sydney
May/June: Junior National Activities	Megan
July: Why be a queen/ how? Lassie 101	Faye S.
August: Queen Contest	Elaine/Gwen coordinate
September: Jr. Nationals	Elaine/Gwen coordinate
October: Candidates	Elaine/Gwen
November: National Meeting	Faye K.
December: None	

The board meeting was adjourned, and we immediately left for dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn in celebration of our current queen and queen candidates.

Respectfully submitted. Sydney Miller 11/22/19