GPTLA Meeting Minutes 2/1/25

The GPTLA met February 1st, 2025 at 6:00 pm (MST) for our annual membership meeting. Members present were Bill Dennert, Tammy Dennert, Scot O'Bryan, Jodie O'Bryan, Mark Sanders, treasurer Lisa Sanders, board member Lorin Lippert, Deb Lippert, Marlin Krump, Vickie Krump, Larry Mayer, Norma Fuller, president Gordon Howie, Chris Nix, Ellen Tobin, and secretary Shawn Tobin.

Gordon opened the meeting and then asked Marlin to give a prayer.

Attention turned to Bill who gave us a synopsis of the results of the GPTLA members who showed at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, CO. The GPTLA had many members who participated.

Everyone acknowledged they received minutes from the previous board meeting. Lorin made a motion to approve the minutes, Vickie seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimously approved.

Lisa gave the treasurer's report saying there is a total of \$6465.40 in the checking account.

Gordon announced the board is in the process of updating the by-laws of the organization. Gordon asked Shawn to email the current by-laws to the members. It was asked of the members to look over the by-laws and makes suggestions for change. Once the Board receives the suggestions, members will vote on the suggested changes.

Shawn gave a small overview of what the GPTLA Bull Showcase will entail this year.

Lisa gave an update to the members about the Affiliate News in the Texas Longhorn Trails magazine. She asked each member to write a summary of that member's longhorn program, i.e. what they breed for, beef program, etc. Lisa asked the summaries be submitted to her to be published in the magazine.

Gordon asked for members to give options/input on the best possible options to capitalize on the donation animals of Lippert's and Sanders'. A raffle request to the South Dakota Secretary of State was made by Shawn for the gun donation from Larry Mayer.

Gordon asked if any member had any input or ideas for the GPTLA, to take to the Central States Fairgrounds board, to email them to Gordon.

Gordon asked for members to keep in mind to ask for donations for the silent auction. Gordon also gave a reminder that banner spots will be 2' tall by 4' wide at \$100.00.

Shawn reminded members that help will be needed for the upcoming World Qualifying Shows in August.

Vickie read a letter from Ben Krump, vice president, resigning from his role as vice president. Jodie made a motion to accept his resignation, Shawn seconded it, and all approved by unanimous vote.

Scot and Jodie offered to auction, for the GPTLA, a donation lot (not cattle) at the beginning of the Top Hand Longhorn Sale. This lot would be free of consignment and commission charges, with 50% of winning bid going to the GPTLA and 50% to the youth sponsorship dollars in the Top Hand Longhorn Sale.

With no new or old business to discuss, Shawn made a motion to adjourn, Lorin seconded it, and all voted to adjourn.

Shawn Tobin, secretary

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