

GPTLA General Membership Meeting 9-28-24

The GPTLA held a general membership meeting on September 28th, 2024, at 11:00am (MDT) at Gordon Howie's. Members in attendance were Gordon Howie, Lorin and Deb Lippert, Jerry Lotspeich, Mark and Lisa Sanders, Scot and Jodie O'Bryan, Shawn and Ellen Tobin, Marlin Krump (via phone), and John Coggins (via phone).

Gordon called the meeting to order and opened with a prayer. Gordon thanked Jerry and Gretchen Lotspeich for donating a No-Bull Measurement Tool to the GPTLA.

A treasurer's report was given by Lisa Sanders. We currently have a total of \$6836.83 in the checking account, with all bills from the World Qualifying Show being paid. The raffle income totaled \$3900.00, with half of that going to Rockside Ranch. The silent auction brought in \$905.00.

Shawn made a motion to set aside \$5000.00 for the World Qualifying Show in 2025 and \$768.00 for payment to Hired Hand Software for the GPTLA website due in April. Jodie seconded the motion. After some discussion, a vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Scot brought up a discussion about consistent advertising for the GPTLA. After the talks, this was tabled until the next meeting.

John started a discussion about banners and banner sales for the show and Top Hand Sale. After some discussion, this matter will be tabled until the next meeting.

Gordon brought up and handed out a copy of the GPTLA by-laws. They will be readily available from Gordon for viewing. Any recommendations will be considered as we may be revising them in the future.

The usage dues for website sale pen, and annual membership dues are now overdue. Shawn said a new part of the website sale pen will be added. He will be choosing one animal from the sale pen each week and promote it on all the Facebook longhorn discussion groups that he knows of, with a link to GPTLA website sale pen.

Gordon opened a discussion about having a GPTLA booth at the Black Hills Stock Show. After some discussion, Gordon said he would make an application to BHSS for booth space. The rest was tabled until the next meeting.

Lisa volunteered to oversee the Affiliate News in the Trails magazine, since we have not had that in a long time.

With no other discussion pending, Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second from Lorin. All approved the vote and meeting was adjourned.

Shawn Tobin,

GPTLA secretary