

Michigan Shorthorn Breeders Association
Annual Meeting Minutes
Saturday, August 26, 2023
Stinson Livestock, Charlotte, MI

The 2023 annual meeting of the Michigan Shorthorn Breeders Association was called to order at 2:45 p.m. by President, Stacy Stinson. We had 28 people in attendance. Prior to calling the meeting to order, we enjoyed a meal consisting of grilled hamburgers and hotdogs and potluck dishes provided by people who attended. Member and guest introductions were done.

Our guest speaker was Jacqueline Sanford, Sanford Family Beef of Parma MI. She gave a very informative presentation about their family's farm to table business. She gave tips and pointers about how to get started selling your own home-grown beef. She answered many questions people had.

Secretary's Report - a motion was made by Caleb Vance and supported by Sydney Miller to accept the secretary's report as printed. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – a motion was made by Sydney Miller, supported by Carla McLachlan to accept the treasurer's report as printed. The balance in the checking account is \$406.14. The savings account balance is \$3,441.65, and the balance in the CD is \$10,631.86. Motion passed.

Old Business –

- 2023 MI Beef Expo – thank you David Scales was serving as our sale coordinator. The Shorthorn sale had the highest average and the highest individual animal. Next year's date will be February 24 & 25. There will be a premier genetic sale on Friday night. They are working on an online consignment/entry format.

New Business –

-Nominating committee – elections

Four directors are up for re-election, Carla McLachlan, Cami Marz-Evans, Caleb Vance and Sydney Miller. Carla, Caleb and Cami are interested and eligible to run again. Sydney has expressed a desire to not run again. Tara Miller expressed interest in running for the board. A motion was made by Sydney Miller and supported by Trish Steele to nominate Tara Miller for the vacant position. The motion passed. A motion was made by Sydney Miller, supported by Megan Bosserd and passed to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tara Miller, Cami Marz-Evans, Caleb Vance and Carla McLachlan.

-The Michigan Lassies – Sydney introduced Kenna Geeseman, National Lassie Queen. We are very fortunate to have another National Lassie Queen from Michigan. Kenna highlighted her experience in being selected as the National Lassie Queen. She will be very busy attending numerous state, regional and national Shorthorn events. Sydney shared with the group that the National Lassie organization is modernizing the Lassie role. If anyone knows of a person interested in running for the state Lassie position or the princess role (for 11 – 14 year olds) please let Sydney know. Julie French is coordinating a fundraiser at The Revival Sale with proceeds going to the Lassie's.

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-Stacy gave a report on the Michigan Junior Shorthorn Association. Taylor Peter is helping with the juniors. She was the state coordinator for the Junior Nationals. She will be transitioning to the junior advisor position this fall. Jill Cords gave thanks to people who helped and sponsored the trip to the 2023 Jr. National show. Next junior national is in Maryland.

-MCA Magazine advertising – there will be an ad place in the fall edition of the MCA magazine.

-MI Beef Expo – watch for consignment information coming out in December.

-Michigan Shorthorn Breeders Association website – let Stacy know if you have any information or updates to share on the web site.

- 2023 Fall Sales – Labor Day, Heart of Michigan Club Calf tour and sale; The Revival Sale September 23 in Beaverton, Hale's Open House and Sale, September 30 in Charlotte

A motion was made by Sydney Miller, supported by Trish Steele and passed to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Pease
Secretary