

## **Kansas Angus Auxiliary Minutes** **January 21, 2017**

The members of the Kansas Angus Auxiliary met Saturday, January 21, 2017, at the 2017 Kansas Junior Angus Preview Show at the Kansas State Fairgrounds Beef Barn meeting room. The meeting was called to order at 11:00am by President, Megin O'Brien. Introductions followed.

**Members Present:** Megin O'Brien, Beverly Figge, Lori Fink, Melissa (Missy) Cozzitorto, Wendy Flory, Morgan Woodbury, Anne Lampe, Mary McCurry, Chelsey Figge, Jacquie Schwab, Brenna Wulfsuhle, Susan Shipman, Lynne Hinrichsen, Jude Hagenbush, Sharee Sankey, Whitney Hastings, Ann Sankey, Karen Santee, Additional Guests: Bryanna Hite, Alexandria Cozzitorto, Eva Hinrichsen, Madison Wulfsuhle, Baylee Wulfsuhle

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**Secretary** Wendy Flory was unable to report. Melissa (Missy) Cozzitorto, nominated secretary for 2017-2019 term, substituted on her behalf. Those present were asked to review the minutes. Anne Lampe moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes, noting two wording adjustments, and to approve.; the motion was seconded by Mary McCurry. Motion approved.

**Treasurer** Lori Fink, presented and requested of those present to review the membership list and make any changes to contact information, if needed. Members were reminded of their Kansas Angus Auxiliary annual membership dues of \$10 and the American Angus Auxiliary annual membership dues of \$10 or the optional lifetime membership of \$100. New members were invited to join the Kansas Angus Auxiliary and the American Angus Auxiliary, as well. She continued with presentation of the Treasurers Report, reviewing the KAAuxiliary accounts as of 12/31/16. She explained that the up-to-date report is given at both the January and June meetings. There was further discussion to include that the Kenneth and Lorene Moore Scholarship would be awarded this year to a college sophomore and that she would have a check drawn in the amount of \$1,000 for that recipient. Sharee Sankey, along with Mary McCurry, shared their appreciation, which was followed by membership applause, to Lori Fink for all she does for the Kansas Angus Auxiliary in her capacity as treasurer. Brenna Wulfsuhle moved to accept the the Treasurer's Report; the motion was seconded by Mary McCurry. Motion approved.

**Reporter,** Melissa (Missy) Cozzitorto reported that the 2015-2016 Scrapbook is coming together, requesting from membership any artifacts or information they wished to be included, specifically from 2106, be provided, for the completed 2015-2106 Scrapbook to be presented at the Kansas Angus Auxiliary meeting in June 2017.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Miss Kansas Angus and Ambassador Committee -** Chair, Anne Lampe, reported on the 2017 Miss Kansas Angus Program and prior evening contest, introducing and appreciating the 2017 judging committee, Megin O'Brien, Ann Sankey and Jerry Theis. Outgoing 2016 Miss Kansas Angus, Bryanna Hite, addressed membership with comments and appreciation regarding her experiences during her term, and the 2017 Miss Kansas Angus Program contestants, Alexandria Cozzitorto and Eva Hinrichsen, introduced themselves to membership, as well. Also, sponsors were acknowledged and appreciated for their generous contributions to the 2017 Miss Kansas Angus Program.

**Ways and Means Committee** - Chair, Mary McCurry, reported on the current remaining Ways and Means inventory of 3 Angus bracelets and 4 Angus boot jackets, reminding membership that the goal of Ways and Means is to promote the Angus breed while fundraising for the Kansas Junior Angus scholarship program. She introduced new ideas for future Ways and Means projects to include an Angus scroll wall plaque and Angus chalk cow, with price point on these items pending. She, as did the entire membership, appreciated her daughter, Emily Mullen, for all of her efforts in helping the committee to find these unique fundraising items. Lynne Hinrichsen shared her appreciation followed by membership applause to Mary McCurry for all she does for the Kansas Angus Auxiliary in her capacity as the Ways and Means committee chair.

**Hospitality** – Mary McCurry, 2017-2019 Hospitality Chairperson, appreciated the generous food donations provided to the hospitality room where she prepared and managed an inviting environment of hospitality snacks and coffee for the 2017 Kansas Angus Association Annual Meeting and Futurity Junior Show.

**Kansas Angus Auxiliary Scholarship Committee** – Chair, Ann Sankey, reported that she and the scholarship committee, Emily Mullen and Jessica Woodrow, determined the Kenneth and Lorene Moore Scholarship would be awarded to a very deserving college sophomore during the evening's 2017 Kansas Angus Association Annual Banquet. Also, current high school seniors were reminded of their opportunity to apply for the Kansas Angus Auxiliary Scholarship, awarded during the Kansas Junior Angus Preview Show in June 2017. Further discussion regarding this scholarship acknowledged that although only one senior boy and one senior girl are selected to have their applications advance for national scholarship consideration, the Kansas Angus Auxiliary awards multiple scholarships to all deserving applicants, so current high school seniors are very much encouraged to apply. Additionally, all junior members are encouraged to complete their applications for their Bronze and Silver Awards, as soon as they meet the criteria for each. Receipt of these awards is a prerequisite for future scholarship awards.

### **AMERICAN ANGUS AUXILIARY**

Anne Lampe reported that preparations for the 2017 NJAS CAB CookOff Contest are in motion with information regarding cuts of beef, as well as other contest information, being made available April 1, 2017, via the website. Other discussion included the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Angus Auxiliary where a fundraising project has been identified with plans underway for its launch. A committee was formed by the American Angus Auxiliary to launch the reprint of a children's book about Angus cattle, "Baby Black." The committee is asking past national auxiliary presidents to help underwrite the cost of this project with a \$100 per past national president donation. The goal is for the reprinted "Baby Black" to be available for sale at the 2017 National Junior Angus Show in Des Moines, Iowa, in the Angus Gift Barn.

Mary McCurry shared comments regarding the American Angus Association National Convention set for November 4-6, 2017, in Fort Worth Texas, urging participation in the American Angus Auxiliary Annual Meeting and Breakfast, commenting on the wonderful venue, phenomenal trade show, and incredible opportunity to learn more about what's new in the industry while connecting with friends and others who share your passion for Angus. Special appreciation was extended to June Hagenbush by Mary McCurry, as well as current membership, for her legacy in the institution of both the Kansas and American Angus Auxiliaries.

### **OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Lori Fink, Treasurer, is in search of the recipient of one of five \$75 checks issued for the 2016 NJAS CAB Cook Off Contest in an effort to reconcile accounting. Anne Lampe is researching the issue.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Introduction of the 2017-2019 Officer Team**

The new officer slate for the 2017-2019 term who were presented and approved at the June 2016 meeting were formally introduced.

President: Beverly Figge

Vice President: Wendy Flory

Treasurer: Lori Fink

Secretary: Melissa (Missy) Cozzitorto

Reporter: Tonya Theis

Beverly Figge, incoming president, presented an appreciation gift to Megin O'Brien, outgoing president for all she has done for the Kansas Angus Association these past 2 years, as well as for her mentorship.

#### **Scholarship Program Awards**

Mary McCurry commented that the current asset figures in the Kansas Angus Auxiliary Accounts as of 12/31/16 indicate an increase over the past 4 years from \$47K to \$57K in current assets, and recommended that an increase in the award for the Kansas Angus Auxiliary High School Senior Scholarship be considered. The recommended top award would increase from the current \$1,000 to \$1,500 for the top high school senior boy and top high school senior girl with the additional option to award decreasing increment amounts to other applicants eligible to receive scholarship awards, based on the evaluation of applications by the acting Scholarship Committee. Mary McCurry moved to increase the Kansas Angus Auxiliary High School Senior Scholarship amount for the top boy award and the top girl award to \$1,500 and the additional awards for deserving applicants at the discretion of the scholarship committee to other eligible applicants, as well, beginning in May 2017; the motion was seconded by Wendy Flory. Motion approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ann Sankey moved that the meeting be adjourned; Wendy Flory seconded the motion. Motion passed.