

## **Kansas Junior Angus Association Minutes - January 26, 2019**

The bi-annual meeting of the Kansas Junior Angus Association met at 12pm January 26, 2019, during the Kansas Angus Futurity at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Lawrence, Kansas. There were 46 junior members present and numerous parents. The meeting was called to order at by President, Anna Carpenter. Introductions of first time exhibitors followed.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**Secretary**, Alex Cozzitorto, presented the June 2018 minutes to the membership which were posted on web- site and Facebook page. Kady Figge moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes; the motion was seconded by Baylee Wulfkhule. Motion approved. A thank you note from past junior advisors, David and Susan Shipman, was shared with the membership.

**Treasurer**, Eva Hinrichsen, presented the most up to date record of the Treasurer's Report and passed out copies for the membership to look over. There was a beginning balance of \$5,053.79 as of 6/28/18; deposits from 06/28/18 to 12/28/18 were in the amount of \$4,965.00; expenses from 06/28/18 to 12/28/18 were in the amount of \$3,508.69; with an ending balance of \$6,510.10 as of 12/28/18.

**Historian**, Kady Figge, reported on her progress on the KJAA scrapbook and her vision of what it will look like. She asked that anyone who has any pictures from the past year would share them and tag her in them.

**President**, Anna Carpenter, announced that the semen auction that raises money for the Kansas Junior Angus Association would be held in conjunction with the annual banquet that would be later that night.

**Vice Presidents**, Cale Hinrichsen and Morgan Woodbury, reported on their ideas and vision of what the stall decor will look like at Junior Nationals this summer. They asked the membership to share their ideas and that they were open to anything. Designing and ordering stall cards in advanced was talked about being done again.

### **OTHER REPORTS**

**NJAA Board Member, Grady Dickerson**, reported on the new changes within the NJAA regarding contest rules. He emphasized the importance of carefully reading the rules for all of the contests, but especially Team Marketing due to a revision of the rules. Grady talked about the upcoming STAR and Raising the Bar conferences that would be happening in the spring and encouraged the membership to attend if they were eligible.

**Junior Advisors**, Nelson Hager, Ron and Lynne Hinrichsen and Rick and Melissa Cozzitorto, reported on the informational meeting that was held the night before and passed out the handouts of what was covered for those parents and juniors that could not attend. They explained the green

book that is sent out by the NJAA and explained the importance of reading it cover to cover in order to stay on top of entry deadlines for shows, contests and conferences throughout the year. It was emphasized that every member must sign a code of conduct from the NJAA in order to participate in NJAA sanctioned shows and conferences. The advisors explained stalling at Junior Nationals and asked that people start thinking/planning who they want to stall with so the advisors can do their best to accommodate everyones requests. Parents and junior members were reminded that participating in as many contests as possible is vital for the KJAA to be considered for the sweepstakes award at Junior Nationals. Even for those that aren't going to Junior Nationals, there are contest opportunities that can be submitted in advance that will contribute toward points for the sweepstakes award for the state of Kansas. The advisors presented a new program to the membership and parents of contest mentorship. Starting this year, each contest at Junior Nationals will have a parent sponsor and a junior member sponsor who are willing to create materials and coach junior members through the contests they are interested in participating in. The goal for this mentorship program is to encourage younger members to participate in new contests and answer any questions they may have. A sign up sheet was passed around for parent and junior members to sign up to sponsor a contest.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

American Angus Auxiliary Achievement Awards: Emily McCurry Mullen explained what the American Angus Auxiliary Achievement Award was and how more Kansas junior members should be applying for this award. This year she chose to fill out the application for these achievement awards for any junior member that qualified in order to show the junior membership how easy it is to apply. She emphasized how good these awards look on resumes and how she wants to see more Kansas junior members submit these applications for next year. Achievement awards were presented.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Selection of 2019 Voting Delegate Representatives: There were 4 junior members who submitted their applications to be voting delegates at the annual National Junior Angus Association board meeting at the 2019 National Junior Angus Show this summer. Alex Cozzitorto, Eva Hinrichsen, Kady Figge and Kelsey Theis all had their names put on a ballot and each junior member was asked to vote for two members. The ballots were counted and Alex Cozzitorto and Eva Hinrichsen were elected to be voting delegates to represent the state of Kansas.

Raising the Bar T-Shirts: The Events and Education department approached the state of Kansas about finding sponsors for the Raising the Bar conference t-shirt. Raising the Bar was held at Kansas State University on March 21-24 2019. The Kansas Angus Auxiliary and the Kansas Angus Association both voted on being sponsors for the t-shirts. A motion was made to have the Kansas Junior Angus Association to also help sponsor the t-shirts. It was moved by Baylee Wulfkhule and seconded by Eva Hinrichsen. Motion passed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Some last minute announcements were made about show rules for the next day and that the next bi-annual meeting would be held in conjunction with the Kansas Junior Angus Preview Show in Hutchinson, Kansas on June 1, 2019. Austin Woodrow moved to adjourn the meeting and Lauren Frederick seconded. The motion was passed. Meeting adjourned.