Notes from Annual RRCA Meeting April, 13, 2024 Shauna Kimble

Attendance

Close to 40 people were in attendance of the meeting.

Officers in attendance: President, Arba Word CEO, Chuck Lyons Vice President, Stan Chapman Assistant Treasurer, Keith Kimble

Officers Absent: Treasurer, Brandon Kolle Secretary, Bobby Powell Assistant Secretary, Joe Scheffer Member, Mary Flanigan Member, James Beard

New Board Member in attendance: Paul Leedom

Chuck Lyons was asked if he would serve for another year so that we could operate with a full Board for the year. He accepted.

Secretary Bobby Powell stepped down from the Board and in doing so, the Secretary position was vacated.

Stan Chapman motioned to approve agenda. Chuck seconded it. Action passed.

Wade Hurst motioned to approve minutes of last meeting. Tony Breedlove seconded it. Action passed.

CEO - nothing to report

President - reported online registry may be up by the first part of 2025. Assistant Treasurer - no business to report

President - reviewed profit/loss statement for 2023

- committee report
- Ethics and Bylaws new registration guidelines were reviewed

Shauna Kimble reported on performance of website traffic

Alana & Phillip Owens reported on results of Cattlemen's Conference 2024

Chuck Lyons made the motion to keep all officers for 2024 except for Secretary. Alan seconded the motion. Action passed.

Shauna Kimble was nominated as Secretary by Paul Leedom. Tony Breedlove seconded it. Action passed.

Arba asked for membership committee member volunteers. Shauna Kimble and Stan Chapman volunteered.

Arba asked for volunteers to help with office inquiries. Alana Owens volunteered.

Arba asked for Ethics and Bylaws committee volunteers. Paul Leedom volunteered to serve with current committee members.

Cattlemen's Congress 2025 was discussed. No members were ready to commit but the option was left open for participation which would be supported by the association.

The Sunbelt Expo 2024 was discussed. At this point the RRCA will not be represented at the Expo unless we have a volunteer.

Stan Chapman made a motion to approve new members. Chuck Lyons seconded it. Action passed.

Upcoming Openings

In 2025, we will have 4 Board positions come open. 3 - 3-year positions and 1 - 2-year position.

Discussion of New Business that Requires Board Action

1. DNA required for registration: No argument against, only discussion about how to "grandfather in" previously registered animals, especially around embryos that can't be DNA verified.

2. New registration guidelines for other breeds came under strong scrutiny. Concerned that upbreeding of purebreds at 15/16 would lose characteristics of the breed (color mainly).

Solutions included: simply striking "purebred" from our registry going forward and registering % composites, rewriting the by-laws, restructuring requirements for the

angus and beefmaster breeds

3. Concern over sellers not registering or transferring animals they sell and leaving it up to the buyer (especially in the case of new members) were that animals documentation can be lost.

4. Desire to rename association dropping Romangus. The old "American Romagnola Association" was mentioned.

5. It was suggested that we give RRCA hats to new members.

Next Board Meeting will be located in Stephensville, TX on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at Tex-Ken Steakhouse

Meeting was adjourned.