



North American Corriente Association

2015 Board Meeting
Oct 12, 2015 7pm MT

President Ricky Mara called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm MT.

Board Members present: Ricky Mara, Dave Kalasinsky, Douglas Dale, Russell Drury and Ellen Hamilton (Secretary) were present.

New Business:

1. Vote for new Board Members
 - a. Official email sent with candidate profiles allowing members to vote via email, mail in ballot or member meeting at the National Show. All information has been also posted on the website;
 - b. Ellen will take a tally of online and mailed ballots to Meridian to be added to ballots submitted during the member meeting.
2. Craig Nichols Memorial Fund

Ricky spoke with Joe Floyd and Craig Nichols concerning the use of the Mark Nichols Crisis Fund. We received permission from both Joe and Craig. Email from Craig on 10/12/15 stated:

“Ellen, As per a conversation with Joe Floyd the NACA has permission to use a portion of The Mark Nichols Crisis Fund to help with other than personal crisis in the organization with the intent to make every effort to pay back whatever portion is used so that it may be available for use in the future as the NACA rebuilds and other needs arise. We hope that it helps a bit. Craig Nichols”
3. NACA Show update
 - a. Budget: Airfare for judges: \$625 for Tucker; Insurance bill \$321; Ribbon bill not received yet
 - b. Discuss entries of animals in the Jr Heifer/Jr Bull classes with birthdates of 1/2015 instead of 12/31/14; This is not seen to be a problem.
 - c. Youth Classes & animal recognition: Discussion ensued surrounding the consideration of a sanctioned yearling youth heifer class;
 - Must be a current junior member, with a heifer registered in the junior member's name;
 - We will continue to have this defined and move towards making this a sanctioned class;
 - d. Youth Judging classes awards
Action: Douglas will decide on awards and let Ellen know
4. Wrangler / Member Communications –
 - a. Discuss better publishing forums for NACA news. Can we form a committee for publishing a quarterly newsletter and have a sponsor/advertiser for \$1,000 (nearly half price of a sponsor thru Wrangler);

- b. National Show announcement went in to Wrangler after Sept 15th, so it will not be published until Nov 1.
 - c. Future Article topic: When is best time to market an animal?
5. Central States Scholarship : \$708 – Kermit Keplar
Action: Dave K to call
6. National Show Member meeting topics:
- a. Board Candidate voting
 - b. Budget
 - c. Cattle Registrations
 - d. Sanctioned youth classes
 - e. member communications – Wrangler
 - f. Top 10 reasons to register your cattle/buy registered cattle
 - g. How can we support our members better?
 - h. 2016 judges training
 - i. Beef market?

Next Board Meeting: Nov 4, 2015 in Meridian, MS
Adjourned: 8:45pm