



North American Corriente Association

2016 Board Meeting
May 24, 2016 7pm MT

President Ricky Mara called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm MT.
Board Members present: Ricky Mara, Calvin Schwartz, Douglas Dale, Russell Drury, Dale Nauman. Advisors Dave Lewis, Tucker Ashley, Craig Nichols, Liza Jane McAlister, Ginny Cates and Executive Director Ellen Hamilton were also present.

Old Business:

1. 2015 National Show Deficit
 - a. The deficit is being covered:
 - 50% by ECA
 - 50% covered by Douglas Dale and Ricky Mara.
- ACTION:** Checks for \$850 from each will be sent

New Business:

2. Current Budget

Net Income (after expenses) Jan 1 thru May 24, 2016 was \$6,756. The 2016 budget is expected to be balanced, although we need to rebuild savings.

 - a. **Membership statistics**

2016 Members: (paid by May 24, 2016)
98 active, 7 associate, 10 junior, 332 life;
Total Members: 447
25 new members for 2016
 - b. **Registration Statistics:**

2016 Registrations: (paid by May 24, 2016)
under 12 mnths: 393; under 18 mnths: 111; under 24 mnths: 32
over 24 mnths: 45;
Total registrations: 581; Total Transfers: 283; VI: 3
Net Income (after expenses) Jan 1 - May 24, 2016: \$6,756

2015 Registrations:
under 12 mnths: 658; under 18 mnths: 123; under 24 mnths: 80
over 24 mnths: 87; steer: 21
Total registrations: 969; Total Transfers: 546; VI: 6
Net Income Jan 1 - May 24, 2015: \$3,659
Net Income Jan 1 - May 24, 2014: -\$1,344

3. 2016 National Show
 - a. Budget Concerns: Holding the National Show cannot put the NACA charter to preserve and protect Corriente cattle and the breed registry at risk.
 - It was noted that the 2015 National Show was small and more similar in size to a regional show.
 - The question was asked if we should consider simply having only regional shows this year.
 - Concern was expressed that if no National Show were held this year, would it be hard to restart the National Show in future years.
 - Advisors suggested that we strengthen regional associations and support their shows. Stronger regional shows will help build more successful National Shows in the future.
 - b. **Motion made** by Douglas Dale, seconded by Dale Nauman and approved to not hold a National Show in 2016.
 - c. Advisors mentioned the requirement to still hold a centrally located National Membership meeting in 2016. This will be tabled for the moment while locations and timing are being considered.
4. It was suggested that board members call lifetime members and get in touch to see their status and verify continued interest in Corriente Cattle.

Action: Board members go thru lifetime members not on Breeders list and call them. Please report who has been contacted and their status to Ellen.

5. Improving Member Communications –
Upcoming Articles: Douglas Dale : when to market corriente cattle ; Barham: when to castrate; VI Pricing update, AI sire pricing update, Texas show, Brady Barham scholarship – past to present, Letter from Board plus stats on registration increase, welcome new members.
Action: Douglas email article to Ellen on when to market corriente cattle
Ricky email intro article to Ellen for Texas show results and Letter from Board

Adjourned: 8:45pm Next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 12th, 7pm MT/8pm CT