



Indiana DAIRY GOAT association



October 02, 2016 Membership Meeting Minutes

Indiana Dairy Goat Assoc. met on Sunday, Oct. 2 following the Fall Conference. Officers and directors present were: President Tim Vanzant; Vice-President Steve Hubbard; Secretary Bonnie Robbins; Directors: David Ingle. Financial report thru Sept 30 was presented. Financial report for Hoosier Classic will be presented at the November meeting. Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Hoosier Classic: Discussion was held regarding changes to the auction, possibly making some of the items silent auction items and having the higher quality items on the live auction. Discussion was also held about the kid raffle, how to increase participation from breeders as well as buyers, getting prices higher. We'd like to see one or two people be responsible for "pushing" the kid raffle tickets as sales have been down there as well. Motion was made and carried to add silent auction items to the HC. Teena has received information on the Sable and Saanen specialty shows and is reviewing that. The facilities at Wayne County have been reserved for 2017. We will need clarification on whether there is a champion challenge class for bucks and be sure the entry info reflects this properly. Discussion was also held about whether the buck show was profitable. After discussion, it was decided to continue with the buck show.

Teena has been working on some paperwork for livestock grant being awarded Dec. 1 by Ind Dept of Agriculture.

State Fair: Teena gave a review of the 2016 ISF. Total goats judged was 1242. It was a challenge getting everyone penned due to the reduction in number of pens available. Total numbers for open show was up, 4H numbers were down just a bit. There were only 2 volunteers working on disinfecting the facility prior to move it- more help in this area will be needed. More barn help is also needed, which is difficult given that school has already started by time of our show. Teena reminded us that the draft horses take precedent- that we are to give them the right of way in all areas (we can't unload if they are staging, we must be careful driving around them, etc.) Check in went well; online entry system seemed to work well. Dairy goat Olympics was very well received. Teena has been talking to some ag teachers about having their groups come in to help. Our show will again be the last weekend of fair in 2017. The swine barn will be renovated within the next couple of years, making it bigger. Discussion was held about approaching fair board with offer to pay for new pens, etc. if this would help us get into new building with an improved schedule, etc.

Youth: Sarah reported they are discussing having some practice sessions for fitting teams, showmanship, etc. There is a real lack of available info on showmanship, fitting, etc. for the youth. They have been discussing possibly putting together a

video as a potential fundraiser for the youth. Quilt raffle at HC went well. Olympics at State Fair went very well. Shelly has already begun working on prizes and events for next year.

Fall Conference: Discussion of conference today was that it went well and was well received and well attended. Possibility of doing "AI 201" next year with actual insemination being done, more hands on of attendees. Also, discussed sessions on ET and drawing blood samples. Teena reported the building rent (due to recent renovations) is going up to \$200 for the day, so we may look at other locations. Turn out today was good

Election of officers: Two Officers (President and Secretary) as well as 3 board positions were up for election. Results of election: President - Bonnie Robbins; Secretary - Sarah Lanham. Directors: David Ingle, Patty Baker, Crystal Servies. Teen Spear will remain as State Fair Rep.

Next meeting will be held on November 5 at NAILE in Louisville.

Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Submitted by: Bonnie Robbins