

MINTUES
Annual Meeting
Saturday, June 24, 2023 – 2:45 PM
Texas Tech University – Animal and Food Sciences
Lubbock, TX

1. Call to Order & Welcome

President Josh Krohn called the meeting to order and welcomed all TPPA members that were present.

2. TPPA Annual Report to Membership

President Krohn provided a report to membership about the present state of the association covering finances, staff updates, and an overview of addition programs of the association. Krohn introduced Colby Ferguson as the Executive Director for TPPA. Ferguson introduced himself to membership and shared his plans for the association.

3. National Pork Board Report

Dr. Brett Kaysen gave a report from the National Pork Board covering important topics nationwide. Dr. Kaysen noted there is \$1.5million in grant funding opportunities available for year 2024 to help support the NPB at the state level. Additionally, Dr. Kaysen noted the operational grant funding opportunities available to TPPA for the remainder of 2023-2024 to assist with operational assistance for the organization.

Dr. Kaysen discussed National Pork Industry Conference Forum on March 5-7, 2024 and the importance of the election of delegates to represent Texas. Delegates must participate in the Pork Checkoff program to be eligible.

4. Bylaw and Resolutions Report

Bylaw and Resolutions Committee Chairman, Stanley Young, gave a report on all bylaws presented to membership.

Article III -Membership

• Section 1 Membership Definitions

Youth Members - Any individual under the age of 18 years who is actively engaged in the production of porcine animals.

Amendment: Youth Members -Any individual under the age of 21 years who is actively engaged in the production of porcine animals.

In Favor: 27 - Against: 0

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Article IV -Meetings

• Section 2. Notice

Written notice of membership meeting shall be given by the President or Executive Vice-President, provide that: The notice is delivered personally or deposited in the mail no less than ten (10) days nor more than fifty (50) days.

Amendment: Written notice of membership meeting shall be given by the President or Executive Director, provided that:

- A. The notice is delivered personally or applicable methods no less than ten (10) days or more than fifty (50) days.

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Article VI – Board of Directors

- Section 1. Composition

- B. The Board is to be comprised of Producer members, while maximum of two director positions may be filled by an Associate or Professional member. Associate or Professional member nominations can only be made by the Nominating Committee.

Amendment: B. The Board is to be comprised of Producer members, while maximum of two director positions may be filled by an Associate or Professional member. Associate or Professional member nominations can only be made by the Nominating Committee. A minimum of two (2) directors must be filled by non-show pig producers.

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- Section 4. Meetings

- C. The Board of Directors may conduct business by mail or conference telephone when necessary, provided that a report of any action taken by mail or conference telephone shall be verified and made a part of the minutes at the next meeting of the Board.

Amendment: C. The Board of Directors may conduct business by mail, e-mail, text messages or conference telephone when necessary, provided that a report of any action taken by mail, e-mail, text messages or conference telephone shall be verified and made a part of the minutes at the next meeting of the Board.

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- Section 6. Notice

- A. Written notice by the President or Executive Vice President, stating the place, day and hour of the meeting, shall be delivered or mailed at least five (5) days before the date of the meeting, and, if mailed, sent postage paid to the last known address as it appears in the record books of the association.

Amendment: A. Written notice by the President or Executive Director, stating the place, day and hour of the meeting, shall be delivered e-mail, text message or mailed at least five (5) days before the date of the meeting, and, if mailed, sent postage paid to the last known address as it appears in the record books of the association.

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- Section 7. Absences

Any member of the Board of Directors unable to attend a meeting shall, in a letter addressed to the President or Executive Vice President, state the reason for his absence. If a director is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings for reasons which the Executive Committee has failed to declare to be sufficient, the director's resignation shall be deemed to have been tendered and accepted.

Amendment: Any member of the Board of Directors unable to attend a meeting shall, in a letter addressed to the President or Executive Director, state the reason for his absence. If a director is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings for reasons which the Executive Committee has failed to declare to be sufficient, the director's resignation shall be deemed to have been tendered and accepted.

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Article VII – Officers

- Section 1. Officers

The officers of the Association shall be a President, President Elect, Vice President and Executive Vice President.

Amendment: The officers of the Association shall be a President, President Elect, Vice President and Executive Director.

In Favor: 27 - Against: 0

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- Section 2. Election and Appointment

The President, President Elect and Vice President are elected for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The elected officers may serve for two (2) consecutive terms and may be elected to an office for additional terms provided that a minimum of two (2) consecutive years have passed from the end of the previous term in the office. The officers are to be elected at the last Board of Directors meeting of the year and take office on January 1 of the following year.

Amendment: The President, President Elect and Vice President are elected for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The officers may serve for two (2) consecutive terms and may be elected to an office for additional terms provided that a minimum of two (2) consecutive years have passed from the end of the previous term in the office. The officers are to be elected at the Board of Directors immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting and take office at the conclusion of the annual conference.

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- Section 4. Duties of Officers
 - A. The President Shall:
 - 3. Assume responsibilities of the Executive Vice President in the event of that officer's inability or refusal to fulfill the duties of the officer.

Amendment: A. The President Shall:

- 3. Assume responsibilities of the Executive Director in the event of that officer's inability or refusal to fulfill the duties of the officer.

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D. The Executive Vice President Shall:

Amendment: D. The Executive Director Shall:

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Article VIII – Executive Committee

- Section 1. Composition

The members of the Executive Committee shall be: President, President Elect, Vice President, Immediate Past President, and three (3) at-large members elected by the Board of Directors. The Executive Vice President is a non-voting member.

Amendment: The members of the Executive Committee shall be: President, President Elect, Vice President, Immediate Past President, and three (3) at-large members elected by the Board of Directors. The Executive Director is a non-voting member.

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- Section 4. Term

B. At-large members shall serve a two-year term, one position to be elected each year at the last meeting of the year of the Board of Directors and begin serving on the committee on January 1 of the following year.

Amendment: B. At-large members shall serve a two-year term, one position to be elected each year at the last meeting of the year of the Board of Directors and begin serving on the committee on immediately following the annual meeting and take office at the conclusion of the annual conference.

In Favor: 27 - Against: 0

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- Section 5. Meetings

B. The Executive Committee may conduct business by mail or conference telephone when necessary provided that a report of any action taken by mail or conference telephone shall be verified and made a part of the minutes at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Amendment: B. The Executive Committee may conduct business by mail or conference telephone when necessary provided that a report of any action taken by mail, e-mail, text messages or conference telephone shall be verified and made a part of the minutes at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

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Peter Baumert made a note of record to thank Stanley Young for his work on the update of the membership bylaws.

After further review, Cory Rains moved to rescind the vote on Article VI, Section 7 and open it for reconsideration.

Robbie Harkey moved to amend the by-law update for Article VI, Section 7 to state: "Any member of the Board of Directors unable to attend a meeting shall, in a letter addressed to the President or Executive Director, state the reason of his or her absence. If a director is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings for reasons which the Executive Committee has failed to declare to be sufficient, the director's resignation shall be deemed to have been tendered and accepted."

Seth Ralston moved we accept the updated By-laws as amended; Doug Schaefer seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. **Pork Act Delegate Election**

Doug Schaefer reviewed election procedures reminding members that only one vote per membership will be accepted. The two candidates nominated were Peter Baumert and Josh Krohn. Schaefer opened the floor for any other nominations.

Dr. Kaysen noted it would be appropriate to provide for alternate delegates. Doug Schaefer and Doug Alderson were nominated from the floor to be alternate delegates. Unanimously, Peter Baumert and Josh Krohn were elected to represent Texas as Pork Act Delegates, with Doug Schaefer and Doug Alderson as alternates.

6. Election of the Board of Directors

Doug Schaefer gave the Nomination Committee report for the Board of Directors. The members submitted by the nomination committee were:

Josh Krohn
Todd Beyers
Shelby Padgett
Luke Lindner
Ryan Balser

Schaefer noted Shelby Padgett was automatically elected to the Board of Directors based upon the by-law change approved during the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee Report.

- a. Nominations: Schaefer opened the floor for nominations of eligible members for a three-year term beginning at the close of the 2023 Annual Meeting and ending at the close of the 2026 Annual Meeting.
- b. Matt Murdoch nominated Jason Foote.
- c. Receiving the most votes and elected to a three-year term on the board of directors are the following: Josh Krohn, Todd Beyers, and Luke Lindner.
- d. A tie of votes was recorded between Ryan Balser and Jason Foote. An additional vote was taken between the two electors that were tied. Upon a tallying of the ballots, there was another tie and President Krohn asked if any members would like to speak on behalf of the nominated candidates. Matthew Murdoch spoke on behalf of Jason Foote. Upon the third tallying of the votes, Jason Foote was elected to the Board of Directors

7. New Business

During the ballot counting, President Krohn opened the floor for discussion regarding future Conference locations and dates. Mid-December and mid-June were discussed with mid-June remaining as the favorite. Krohn asked for the membership to continue to think about options to help move the organization forward.

Robbie Harkey, CTBR committee chairman, gave an update regarding the gilt show. He noted state validation will move to an 840 tag for all validated animals. He also noted the Board decision regarding exhibiting purebred gilts by weight instead of age. Purebred gilts will still be required to abide by the June 1st to September 15th birthdate requirements and must present papers at the show, but they will show by weight.

Colby Ferguson asked the membership to keep in mind any additional education opportunities available to take advantage of the additional grant money that was mentioned by Dr. Kaysen.

8. Closing

Jeremy Rounsavall made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ian. Schaefer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

