

**Suri Network  
Board of Trustee Teleconference Meeting  
July 16, 2008**

Present: Jim Barker, Toni Cotton, Miriam Donaldson, Kelly Jarvis and Dick Walker

Others Present: Ken and Marsha Hobert

- A. Minutes:** Kelly Jarvis moved to approve the Board of Trustees meeting minutes of June 11, 2008. Miriam Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Toni reviewed the current financial reports. Jim Barker moved to approve the report. Miriam Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- C. Marketing:** Jim Barker reported that Mary MacGyver is excited about being the new PurelySuri editor. It was agreed that she will have an editorial column and a free ad in each issue as editor. Mike Murphy will work with her on the fall 2008 issue to assist in the transition as editor. The Board discussed possible articles and agreed to announce the change through an email to the membership.
- D. Breed Standards:** Dick Walker reviewed with the Board the two processes currently being worked on. The first is the development of pure EPDs with Mark Ends, a professor on Animal Science at Colorado State University. This process is currently in the stage of discovering what type and methods of records are being kept by breeders to develop a common format. There will be a report at the Breed Standards Council at the Symposium. Second is the development of a classification method utilizing characteristics in the Breed Standard to help owners improve their breeding programs, etc.
- E. Youth Program:** Kelly Jarvis updated the Board on the current work being done on SNYP. There are 3 4-H and 1 pilot FFA programs working. There will be flier included in the handouts for the Symposium.
- F. Research:** Toni Cotton reported that the research proposal to ARF is still under review. There will be a complete update given at the Symposium.
- G. Affiliate Congress:** Miriam Donaldson noted that she will be attending the July Affiliate Congress meeting.
- H. Summer Symposium:** The Board discussed the schedule and updates on the Symposium and agreed to email the membership the updated schedule.

Other Business: The Board agreed to invite the newly elected board members to their Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to familiarize them with ongoing projects and goals.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Barker, Secretary