

AGSS General Meeting #3 - October 18, 2022

Roll Call:

President Heidi Quist: Present

Vice President - vacant

Treasurer Rachel Green: Present

Secretary Debra Drake: Present

Eastern Director Jeff Ahlseen: Present

Central Director Nancy Bentley: Present

Western Director - vacant

Canadian Director Jenn Bowes : Absent

Members in Attendance:

- Laurie Hynson
- Teresa Daignault
- Amy Kidd

Agenda:

Call to order by the President:

1. Call to order was
2. Roll Call
3. Secretary's Report
4. Treasurer's report
5. New Business

a. Accepting nominations for Board of Directors:

The following Board Member positions are up for election and we are asking for your nominations/ self-nominations.

(Please email your **nominations** to Debra Drake to

AmericanGotlandSheep@gmail.com

Due by Sunday, November 13th 8:00 PM ET.

- President
- Vice President - vacant 2022
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Eastern Director
- Western Director - vacant 2022

b. Livestock Conservancy Webinar Cultivating Leadership - The topic is

Managing Membership

The next module is scheduled for this **Thursday, October 20th, 6:30-7:30 pm EST**

6. Old Business:

- Update: Approval and posting Ervalla rams! - Debra
- EDJE website and membership updates including payment processing- Rachel
- Sheep & Fiber Festival updates - New York Sheep & Wool, among others - Jeff

7. Q & A - if time allows

8. Adjourn

President

Heidi called the meeting to order at 8:07 PM ET and roll was taken with a quorum present

Secretary's Report

US Membership:

- 71 total members on the books
- 10 new members in 2022

Canadian Membership:

- 14 total members
- 5 new members in 2022

Updates on Membership Management:

- **Associated Registry** is now processing membership - for both new and renewals at a fee of \$4 per transaction (cost increase)
- **Farm membership** dues of \$20 per year support our AGSS online registration, database search features, website maintenance & associated technical support. Memberships renewed after March 31 are \$35 per year (\$20 + \$15)
- **Associate** (\$10) & **Junior** (\$5) Membership dues remain unchanged

Treasurer's Report - the report will be mailed to the Board for review.

AGSS - 2022																	
	January	February	March	1st Qtr	April	May	June	2nd Qtr	July	August	September	3rd Qtr	October	November	December	4th Qtr	Yr total
Cash - Beginning	5774.63	6473.55	6697.03		6753.79	6807.40	6865.95		6691.30	6804.57	6830.80						5774.63
Revenue																	
Dues	545.00	140.00	180.00	865.00	90.00		60.00	150.00	15.00		30.00	45.00					0.00
Reg/Record/Dup/Transfer Fees	182.00	89.00	141.00	412.00	61.00	207.37	77.00	345.37	308.00	123.00	120.00	551.00					0.00
Advertising Income	100.00	100.00		200.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Loan from R. Green to open bank account		100.00		100.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Member payment to AGSS (via PP)				0.00				0.00			263.32	263.32					0.00
NY S&W Breed Barn Revenue				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Total Revenue	827.00	429.00	321.00	1577.00	151.00	207.37	137.00	495.37	323.00	123.00	413.32	859.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2931.69
Expenses																	
Registrations/Transfer Recording	78.75		154.35	233.10	15.20	148.05	18.90	182.15		96.00	148.00	244.00					0.00
Domain & Website				0.00	75.00		285.00	360.00	195.00		245.00	440.00					0.00
Online Registry				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Zoom Meeting Subscription				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Advertising		180.00		180.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Show expenses				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Education				0.00				0.00			280.00	280.00					0.00
Loan payment R. Green			100.00	100.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Member refund (via PP)				0.00				0.00			255.45	255.45					0.00
Bank charges		8.00		8.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
credit card fees				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Pay Pal fees	49.33	17.52	9.89	76.74	7.19	0.77	7.75	15.71	14.73	0.77	14.35	29.85					0.00
Registered Agent Fee - OR				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Federal & State filing fees				0.00				0.00				0.00					0.00
Total Expenses	128.08	205.52	264.24	597.84	97.39	148.82	311.65	557.86	209.73	96.77	942.80	1249.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2405.00
Net Income	698.92	223.48	56.76	979.16	53.61	58.55	-174.65	-62.49	113.27	26.23	-529.48	-389.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	526.69
Cash - Ending	6473.55	6697.03	6753.79		6807.40	6865.95	6691.30		6804.57	6830.80	6301.32		0.00				6301.32

Approve Secretary's and Treasurer's report - motion made by Jeff & 2nd by Heidi - approved by all

New Business

1. AGSS is seeking nominations/self-nominations for the following Board Member positions.

- The term in office runs January 2023 - December 2025 for the open positions in the regular cadence.
- Nominations/ self-nominations can be sent to the Secretary via AmericanGotlandSheep@gmail.com, or mailed to Debra Drake, 6089 John Barton Payne Rd, Marshall, VA 20115
- **Eligibility:** a person must be an Active Member in good standing for one full year prior to nomination
- The **closing date** is Sunday, **November 13, 2022 at 8 PM ET.**
 - President January 2023-December 2025
 - Vice President thru December 2024
 - Treasurer thru December 2024 (no term limit)
 - Secretary January 2023-December 2025 (no term limit)
 - Eastern Director January 2023-December 2025

- Western Director January 2023-December 2025

2. Livestock Conservancy Webinar Cultivating Leadership

This month's topic: *Managing Membership*

When: Thursday, October 20th, 6:30-7:30 pm EST

Who: All AGSS members are invited to register and attend.

- Please email Rachel at greenlikewool@gmail.com to register.
- All current board members are registered for the complete series.
- The modules are presented on the 3rd Thursday of each month thru May 2023.

Old Business

1. Website updates - Debra

Skoog Sheep and Cattle, LLC's [AI Ram images](#) has been posted to the AI Ram web page upon Assoc Registry's process their AGSS registration & sharing their pedigree #s with us. An example is:

- ERVALLA NEW ZILVER** (NZSBA)
- DOB:** Oct 18, 2018
- Importer:** [Skoog's Sheep & Cattle Company, LLC](#)
- Codon 171:** QQ
- Associate Registry Pedigree #:** xxxx
- Country of Origin Registration #:** 77002/18

2. More Website update - Rachel

- Regorganize current content under the following Tabs

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ About AGSS ■ Breed Information ■ Membership ■ Registration ■ Breeder Ads ■ Classifieds ■ Events 	Current tabs are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History Members Events Forms Directors Standards Rams Marketplace
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3. Membership Directory - *New*

Doug at Mountain Niche, is developing a method for new members to join associations that AR jointly serves through the online web system hosted on the associations website. The added features will start with the Hampshires, and Jeff at AR will request AGSS be next. This is for new members, existing members can renew online already.

4. Sheep & Wool Festivals 2022 - Rhinebeck Sheep & Wool - Christina & Jeff Ahlseen were the Breed Display Hosts

- Booth traffic
- Nancy Bentley brought 2 sheep that were amazing ambassadors
- General feedback

5. Reminder: Nominations/Self-nominations due by Sunday, November 13, 2022 8:00 PM ET

Q&A

Action items: Rachel, Debra & Heidi will be meeting to discuss updating the website.

Adjourn

Jeff moved to Adjourn, Rachel 2nd the motion - motion passed.

The AGSS President closed the meeting at 9:00 PM ET when no additional comments were made and noted the Annual Membership meeting will be held via Zoom on November 15th, 2022, 8:00 PM ET/ 5:00 PM PT