

**APRIL 2013  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
AMERICAN SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

A conference call meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Southdown Breeders' Association was held Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. CST. Those directors on the conference call were Barbara Bishop, L. C. Scramlin, Patty Abell, Jim Davis, Scott Flanagan, Brian Forsee, Monty Jones, Gary Kwisnek, JJ Maddox, Mike McElvain, Jeff Oldenburg, Lee Pettey, Amy Powell, Jeff Repasky, and Kyle Thayer.

President Barbara Bishop called the meeting to order and asked for approval of the minutes of the last informal meeting held in Louisville. They are emailed to the directors and printed in the 2013 issue of the Journal/Directory. It was moved by Lee Pettey to approve the minutes as submitted and seconded by Brian Forsee. The motion passed.

L.C. Scramlin, chairman of the budget committee and the Executive Secretary gave a brief report on the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter income and expenses for the Association. The income and expenses are similar to the past year, however, there are losses in the cost of the annual banquet and the printing of the Journal/Directory. With no questions, a motion to approve the report was given by Gary Kwisnek, with a second by Patty Abell. Motion passed.

Dr. Scott Flanagan, of the research committee, stated that finally a commercial test for Ectodermal Dysplasia would be available very soon. It was also noted that breeders would be able to test sheep from the past five year with DNA on file at the commercial labs.

Dr. Flanagan noted that we should decide on what the exact abbreviation for Ectodermal Dysplasia should be for all future use.

It was moved by Mike McElvain to use the abbreviations of EDC and EDF for future designations. This motion was seconded by Gary Kwisnek. Motion passed.

Monty Jones, of the High IQ committee, stated he would be reaching out to Clemson University for news of the High IQ flock at that University.

Jim Davis, of the nomination committee, would have a report to the Directors at the next meeting, which will be held in July.

Jeff Repasky, of the Ewes for Youth committee, stated he would be contacting breeders at the upcoming National Sale in Ohio for possible donations of ewes for this program.

Patty Abell, of the futurity committee, noted that the premiums for the futurity this year would be increased with the large number of ewe lambs being nominated from the online sales. It was also noted

that an updated version of the futurity rules had been published in the latest issue of the Journal/Directory.

L.C. Scramlin, of the National Sale committee, reported that an excellent set of sheep had been consigned to this year's National Sale by a stellar set of consignors. Brad Payne of Missouri will be the judge of the show for sale order. The Ohio Southdown Association would be serving coffee and donuts both mornings of the show and sale. The Association would be providing light refreshments after the show on Friday.

Jeff Repasky, of the breed standards committee, said the Association would be presenting a plaque to the ewe and ram with best breed type at the National Sale. This selection would be evaluated during the show and presented immediately before the sale.

Brian Forsee, of the National Show, stated that even with the changes in management at the North American, the sheep show would continue as we all know it. There is a strong possibility of a fourth show ring for the breeding sheep show on Sunday to help with the completion of shows at an earlier hour.

Mike McElvain, of the communication committee, said that the Journal/Directory had been mailed out to the membership in early April. He noted a need for help with editorial content and solicitation of ads in future issues. He also stated the publication would be losing around \$1,200 this year.

He also reported that the website once again, had on line registry with payment through PayPal. A year round communication calendar is currently being developed that will identify responsibilities, dates, and content of messages that need to go to the membership.

Amy Powell, of the youth committees, noted there would be a raffle held with the National sale in Ohio. Tickets are to be \$1.00 each, and some very nice sheep equipment will be drawn for between the ram and ewe sales. All money will go toward the ASBA scholarship fund. The tickets will be sold by the Southdown Ambassadors.

President Bishop spoke for Sami Meyers of the annual meeting and banquet committee. She is currently looking at different locations for the annual meeting and banquet in hope of reducing the price of the meal.

With no further committee reports, the President asked for any new business.

Mike McElvain moved that the agenda for the midyear and informal director's meeting must be sent to all directors by email no less than two weeks prior to the meeting date. This motion was seconded by Patty Abell. After discussion this motion was voted on and passed.

Mike McElvain moved that all committee reports are to be submitted in writing and distributed to all directors by email seven (7) days prior to the meeting date. This would also include the budget. This motion was seconded by L.C. Scramlin. Motion passed.

Mike McElvain moved that no binding vote may be taken on any item not on the meeting agenda, unless it is added to the agenda by a majority vote of the directors present at the meeting, and be at the appropriate time on the agenda. Monty Jones seconded this motion. After discussion, this motion was voted on and carried.

Mike McElvain then discussed the adoption of the resolution of failure to transfer registry papers. This would exclude the cover letter to be sent by the breed secretary. After discussion on this issue, it was chosen to withdraw or table the discussion at this time.

President Bishop stated she would like to schedule another meeting to be held in July. The date discussed for the next meeting would be July 15<sup>th</sup> again at 7:00 p.m. CST.

There was then considerable discussion on a warranty proposal concerning genetic issues. It was agreed upon that this issue should be referred to the Executive Committee, the Research and Development Committee, and the National Sale Committee for further discussion.

L.C. Scramlin brought up a futurity rule he had been contacted concerning, "an exhibitor could turn in futurity points from either the junior or open show, but not both". Patty Abell said this rule had been discussed in the past, and should be brought up in the informal meeting in Louisville.

It was also noted that in the next meeting we should discuss a location of the National Sale in 2014.

President Bishop again thanked each director for their participation in the conference call meeting.

With no further business to conduct, Scott Flanagan moved the meeting adjourn. With a second from Brian Forsee, the meeting was concluded at 8:35 p.m.

**JULY 2013  
CONFERENCE CALL MEETING  
OF THE  
AMERICAN SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

A conference call meeting of the American Southdown Breeders' Association was held on Monday, July 15, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., CST. Those directors who participated in the conference call were Jeff Oldenburg, J.J. Maddox, Brian Forsee, Scott Flanagan, L.C. Scramlin, Mike McElvain, Jim Davis, Patty Abell, Barbara Bishop, Amy Powell, Lee Pettey, Gary Kwisnek, and Monty Jones.

President Barbara Bishop called the meeting to order at sharply 7:00 p.m. She asked if the directors had read the minutes of the previous meeting and for a motion to approve the minutes. It was moved by Brian Forsee to accept the minutes as submitted with the correction of the date from May to April in the opening paragraph; seconded by Patty Abell; motion carried.

The Executive Secretary then gave a brief financial report on the Association's third quarter results. It was noted that an excellent year for the Association is in progress. Registrations and transfers are very good, and futurity nominations will set a record high this year. We are fiscally sound and should end the

year very well. It was moved by Lee Pettey to accept the report as presented. With a second by Scott Flanagan, the motion carried.

The President then called for committee reports.

Amy Powell of the Youth Leadership Committee reported on the overwhelming success of the 2013 National Junior Show held with the All-American Show in East Lansing, Michigan. Over 370 head were shown at the event. Our youth did very well in all events of the show, dominating the showmanship competition and winning many other leadership events. Root Beer floats were a special treat for the youth on Sunday.

A big thank you was noted to Claudette Choma for her work in donating and making all of the 14 banners given at the show.

Monty Jones of the High IQ Flock Committee reported on the two flocks at universities. The flock at Colorado State has been sold due to budgetary restraints. However, the flock at Clemson University is still very active with over 100 head. The sheep are being used in a number of different experiments.

Mike McElvain of the Communication Committee noted there are a number of new people on this committee. With different responsibilities for each person, there will be more information available for the membership.

Jim Davis of the Nomination Committee put forth the names of Aaron Jennings and Bart Cardwell for possible judges of the 2014 All-American Junior Show. It was moved by Lee Pettey to nominate Aaron Jennings as the first choice for judge of the 2014 All-American. With a second from Patty Abell, the motion passed. Jim will contact with Bart Cardwell to see if he would be interested in judging the show if necessary.

Mike McElvain of the Policy and Procedure Committee commented that the policy and procedure document recently sent to each of the directors contained 22 years of history for this breed. He had highlighted possible changes in the policy in red print and placed a line through those items that needed to be deleted. He will prepare a final revised document to review in Louisville.

President Bishop reported that the Executive Committee will be acquiring at bids from the Hilton Garden Inn and the North American International Livestock Exposition to determine the best location for the banquet and annual meeting in November.

L.C. Scramlin of the National Sale Committee reported on the success of this year's National Sale. The Ohio Southdown Association did a great job in managing the sale. There were coffee and doughnuts available each morning, and the raffle to raise money for the scholarship program went very well. The Association greatly appreciates all those who worked to make the sale a success. However, many still wish the sale could be online in order for all potential buyers to participate.

It was also noted that Jeff Repasky and his Breed Standard Committee selected the best breed type ram and ewe with emphasis on the head at the National Sale. The award for the ram went to the Scramlin Family of Michigan. The ewe award went to Splendorview Farm of Massachusetts.

Patty Abell of the futurity committee reported that 77 lambs had been nominated at Sedalia, which was up from the number nominated last year.

The President then asked for any old business.

Mike McElvain moved to remove the tabled motion from the April 30th conference call meeting and bring it back to the floor for consideration. With a second from Jim Davis, the motion to reconsider passed.

The motion was to implement a policy for the failure to transfer papers. The motion is stated as such:

1. Upon the Association becoming aware that a buyer claims to have purchased an animal registered with our Association and upon that buyer's claim that they are unable to obtain from the seller the appropriate transfer registration certificate, the Association's Executive Secretary is authorized to issue duplicate certificates in the name of the buyer after following the procedure:
  - a. Upon the buyer stating in an affidavit submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Association that an animal appropriately identified by flock name and number has been purchased from the seller, that the buyer has attempted to obtain the transfer of the registration certificate, that the buyer considers it critical that the registration certificate be issued promptly and that the seller of the animal has failed to cause the registration transfer to occur.
  - b. The Executive Secretary shall cause the affidavit to be communicated to the seller by US Mail to the last address the seller conducted business with the Association. The Executive Secretary shall cover the affidavit with a letter stating that in 10 days duplicate registrations will be issued unless an objection is raised by the seller. That letter shall also advise the seller that they remain under an obligation to pay late transfer fee plus the fee for the duplicate registration.
  - c. Within the 10 days, the seller shall advise the Association of a dispute with the buyer and the Association involvement shall terminate and it is an issue between the buyer and the seller.
  - d. If no objection is issued by the seller, the Executive Secretary will advise the buyer that upon the payment of the fee for a duplicate certificate, appropriate papers will be duplicated and issued in the buyer's name. The buyer will further receive a refund of this duplicate fee upon the payment of the late registration and duplicate fee by the seller.
  - e. The seller will be prevented from further registering any animal with the Association until such time as the transfer work have been fully completed and fees for late registration and duplicate registration.

The motion was the then voted on and passed.

The President then called for any new business.

The first item was to adopt the updated Association Sponsored Sale Warranty. This updated sale warranty had been forwarded to each director prior to the meeting. After much discussion by various board members, Brian Forsee moved to table the sale warranty until the informal meeting in Louisville. With a second by Lee Pettey, the motion to table was voted on and passed.

The next item of discussion was the site of the 2014 National Sale. Again, after much discussion, L.C. Scramlin moved to table the final decision until the informal meeting at Louisville; seconded by Gary

Kwisnek; motion passed.

The final item of discussion was the audit of the Association books. After a short discussion, Gary Kwisnek moved to do a church audit between now and Louisville. This motion was seconded by Lee Pettey. The motion carried.

With no further business to conduct, Patty Abell moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by J.J. Maddox, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m., CST.

**NOVEMBER 2013  
INFORMAL MEETING  
OF THE  
AMERICAN SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

The informal meeting of the American Southdown Breeders' Association was held November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in the South Wing Board Room of the North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, Kentucky. President Barbara Bishop called the meeting to order at 4: 30 p.m. with the following directors present: L. C. Scramlin, Amy Powell, Jessica Miniter, Jeff Oldenburg, J.J. Maddox, Kyle Thayer, Patty Abell, Jim Davis, Mike McElvain, Brian Forsee, and Jeff Repasky.

A motion was made by Patty Abell, with a second given by Brian Forsee, to approve the minutes of the previous informal meeting as submitted. The motion passed.

The Executive Secretary was then asked to give an overview of the financial status of the Association for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The Association cash balance for the Association as of October 2, 2012, was \$149,738.26. Our operating income for the past year was \$89,116.74, and our operating expenses were \$83,651.32. This derives a cash balance at the end of the fiscal year of \$155,203.68. Each line on income and expenses was explained to the Board members present. It was moved by L. C. Scramlin to accept the report as given. With a second by Patty Abell, the motion passed.

President Bishop then called for committee reports under old business.

Jim Davis of the nomination committee introduced Heath Laber from Colorado and moved to have Heath fill the one year remaining term of Monty Jones from Region 1, District 3. The nomination was seconded by Mike McElvain, and the motion passed unanimously.

Jim then gave the committee's report on directors with terms expiring in 2013. The committee's recommendations for each director position are as follows:

Region 1, District 2	John Nixon
Region 2, District 1	Dr. Scott Flanagan
Region 3, District 3	Jesse Shanks
Region 3, At Large	Brian Forsee, Lynn Kuhn
Region 4, District 3	Paul Cassell

Mike McElvain moved the report of the nominating committee be submitted to the membership at the

annual meeting. This was seconded by Patty Abell, and the motion carried.

Jim then presented the suggested names from the nominating committee for judges of the 2014 National Show. The names submitted are Brad Payne, Farabee McCarthy, and Brad Ellerbrock. Amy Powell moved this list of suggested names be approved and submitted to the membership at the annual meeting. With a second by Jeff Oldenburg, the motion was approved.

It was noted by the Executive Secretary that 14 eligible proxies had been received.

In the absence of research and development chairman, Dr. Scott Flanagan, it was noted his previously submitted report on the numbers of lambs that had been tested for ectodermal dysplasia was greatly appreciated.

Brian Forsee, chairman of the Stars of Louisville Sale, reported that the Stars Sale averaged \$1099 per head with the sale total up over \$10,000 from last year. He also noted that 210 head of Southdowns were entered in the National Show and 317 head of Southdowns were entered in the junior show.

L.C. Scramlin, chairman of the National Sale Committee, stated that the Ohio Southdown Association would like to again hold the National Sale in 2014 in conjunction with the Ohio Classic Sale. The Association would be in charge of the raffle this year; plus, it was the hope of the committee that the sale would be transmitted online this coming year.

Amy Powell, of the National Junior Show committee, noted the success of the 2013 National Junior Show. With Southdowns having the largest number of entries at this year's All American Show and refreshments being served for those present, it was a great weekend for the youth.

Jeff Repasky, of the Ewes for Youth Committee, stated that three youth had been chosen from Texas, Maryland, and Ohio to receive breeding ewes. The breeders that had donated ewes were Held Brothers of South Dakota, Dale Davis of Ohio, and Pleasant Spring Southdowns of Wisconsin.

Patty Abell, of the Pot of Gold Futurity Committee, reported that this year's futurity would award the largest amount of premiums in the history of the futurity to those who participated. This is due to the generous support of all breeders at the sales.

Jeff Repasky, of the Breed Type Committee, noted that his committee would be working on improving the best breed type ram and ewe selection at the National Sale. He reported that a best breed type ram and ewe had been selected at this past year's National Sale.

Lisa Scramlin spoke to the board about her work with both the Southdown Journal and Directory and the Louisville Preview. It was noted that the board was extremely pleased with the very attractive and timely issues printed this year. They also commended her performance as editor.

Mike Crowder, spoke on behalf of Willoughby Sale management. He stated that he appreciated the Association's support of the online sales this past year and looked forward to future year's cooperation.

Amy Powell of the Youth Leadership Committee noted that she had submitted some possible guidelines for future youth events that are worthy of consideration.

Mike McElvain of the Policy and Procedure Committee presented a packet of materials from the Policy and Procedure Manual denoting several small changes that need to be made to update the manual. It was moved by Mike to adapt the changes to the Policy and Procedure Manual as noted. This was seconded by Patty Abell and the motion carried.

Mike McElvain then moved to eliminate the registration of all Southdown wethers and to update the sale warranty for sale sheep. This was seconded by Patty Abell.

The Association sponsored sale warranty would read as such:

*At all sales sponsored by this Association the seller warrants to the buyer that sheep sold are free of hereditary chondrodysplasia (spider), ectodermal dysplasia (hairy lamb) and contain a minimum of one R at codon 171.*

*Any claimed violation of this warranty shall be settled between the buyer and seller. This guarantee shall constitute a contract between the buyer and the seller only. No other parties, including but not limited to the American Southdown Breeders' Association, Sale Management and sponsoring organizations, shall assume any liability, legal or otherwise, express or implied.*

*Any seller failing to in good faith comply with this rule shall be denied the right to register and transfer with the Association and will be automatically barred from selling any sheep for five (5) years to this sale or any sale sponsored or sanctioned by the American Southdown Breeders' Association including the National Sale.*

After discussion on the sale warranty policy, Brian Forsee moved to amend the motion by deleting the words "5 years" in the sale policy, and add in place the words "or until resolved". The amendment to the motion was seconded by Patty Abell. The amendment to the motion passed. Then the amended motion was voted on and passed.

L.C. Scramlin of the Budget Committee presented a budget for the coming fiscal year with a total amount of \$86,275.00 projected in income and expenses. After discussion, it was moved by Mike McElvain to approve the initial budget as presented. Seconded by Jim Davis, the motion passed.

There was then discussion about the possibility of establishing a youth coordinator position for the Association.

It was moved by Mike McElvain to designate \$8,000 from the youth funds for the position. The president should appoint a committee that would submit to the Board at the next held meeting a report proposing a job description for the coordinator and ideas for additional youth programs and activities. This was seconded by Brian Forsee, and the motion passed unanimously.

The President then called for New Business.

Brian Forsee moved that the 2014 National Show be held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition. The motion was seconded by L. C. Scramlin and passed.

Regional Shows were discussed and proposals presented. It was moved by J. J. Maddux to designate the following three regional shows: the San Diego County Fair in California, the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival, and the Big E show in Massachusetts. This was seconded by Jeff Oldenburg. The motion passed.

It was moved by Jeff Repasky that the 2014 National Junior Show be held with the All-American Show in Kansas. Jeff Oldenburg seconded the motion and the motion passed.

It was noted by the president that the current slick shearing policy of the Association needs to be enforced and understood by the youth showing Southdowns.

Mike McElvain moved that the 2014 National Sale be held in Ohio if the sale is online, and if the sale is not presented online, it still be designated the National Sale. Brian Forsee seconded the motion. The motion

carried.

Jim Davis moved that any sale or show that is ASBA sanctioned must have American Southdown Breeders' Association registration papers. It was seconded by Mike McElvain. The motion passed.

The Executive Secretary then read a letter concerning the Midwest Junior Preview show in Missouri and its need for sponsorship. No action was taken on this item.

Brian Forsee brought up his concern over the "hairy lamb" policy and its implementation for show purposes. After discussion, Brian moved that all rams be EDF free at all ASBA sanctioned shows, both open and junior beginning January 1, 2014, but that ewes would be delayed until January 1, 2016. This was seconded by Jeff Repasky. With a vote of hands, the motion passed by a vote of 6 to 4.

L. C. Scramlin moved that Pot of Gold futurity points could be counted from both the junior and open shows at the same state fair if the shows are on totally different days and if judged by a different judge. Seconded by Jim Davis, the motion passed.

The Executive Secretary noted that he would like to see a new youth program to encourage our youth members to become breeders of quality Southdowns. He proposed the new program called the "Next Generation" program.

With no further business to conduct, the motion to adjourn was made by Patty Abell with a second from Jeff Oldenburg. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

**NOVEMBER 2013  
ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
AMERICAN SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

The 131<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the American Southdown Breeders' Association was held on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in the south wing of the North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, Kentucky. President Barbara Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. and began with a thank you to Margaret Forsee for the wonderful decorations she provides each year at the annual meeting. This year's unique decorations were barn quilts.

After the introduction of each member at the annual meeting, the Executive Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting. It was moved by Brian Forsee and seconded by J.J. Maddox to accept the minutes as previously submitted. The motion carried.

The Executive Secretary then presented the report to the membership on the registrations, transfers, top ten recorders, christened sheep, board of directors, and cash balance for the past fiscal year. It was noted in the report that all categories presented had shown increases from the past year. The cash balance as of September 30, 2013, was \$155,203.68. It was moved by Brian Forsee to accept the report as presented, seconded by Kyle Thayer, and the motion passed.

President Bishop then called for Old Business.

Kyle Thayer of the proxy committee stated that 13 proxies had been verified and properly distributed.

Brian Forsee reported on the success of the recently held Stars of Louisville Sale. The sale included 37 lots that sold in seventeen states. The average of the sale was \$1,099.00.

Brian also reported that a very competitive and high quality junior Southdown show was held earlier in the day. There were 325 head entered in the show.

L.C. Scramlin reported on the 2013 National Southdown Sale held in May in Eaton, Ohio. Our thanks go to the Ohio Southdown Association for their sponsorship of this great sale. The Board has again selected the Ohio Sale to be the site of the 2014 National Sale.

Amy Powell informed the membership of the success of the 2013 National Junior Show held in conjunction with the All-American Junior Show at Michigan State. With the Southdowns boasting the largest breed show, it was a great show that included a number of great activities for our Southdown youth. The 2014 National Junior Show will be in Kansas.

President Bishop thanked Held Brothers, Pleasant Springs, and Dale Davis for their donations of ewes for the 2013 "Ewes for Youth" program. The three ewe lambs were presented to youth from Maryland, Ohio, and Texas.

President Bishop also thanked Megan Nielson for her help in coordinating the successful skillathon that was held on Saturday morning for our youth. Some very unique awards were presented to the winners in the three divisions.

Jim Davis announced the winners of this year's Pot of Gold Futurity. With record numbers of nominations, the winner of the yearling ewe division was Nick Fowler with a ewe bred by Rincker Southdowns; the fall ewe lamb division was won by Jenna Langer with a lamb bred by MB Genetics; the spring ewe lamb division was won by Seth Michel on a lamb bred by A&M Ranch.

President Bishop presented checks of \$600 each to the three youth selected this year as scholarship winners. Those youth are Nick Fowler, Jenna Langer, and Caroline Kuhn.

Lisa Scramlin thanked all the breeders for their support and positive comments on this year's publications and indicated she looks forward to working with the membership on the 2014 Journal and Directory as well as the Louisville Preview.

The President then called for New Business.

President Bishop thanked Monty Jones for his years of service as a director from Region 1, District 3. Due to other commitments, Monty has resigned from his directorship with one year remaining on his term. The Board has appointed Heath Laber to serve this one year remaining in the term.

Jim Davis of the nomination committee reported his committee's recommendations to fill districts with terms expiring in 2013.

Region 1, District 2 – John Nixon

Region 2, District 1 – Dr. Scott Flanagan

Region 3, District 3 – Jesse Shanks

Region 3, At Large – Brian Forsee and Lynn Kuhn

Region 4, District 3 – Paul Cassell

The President asked for any further nominations. With no further nominations, it was moved by Jim Davis to accept the slate as presented. The motion was seconded by Kyle Thayer and carried by vote.

It was moved by Jim Davis to accept by acclamation those directors that were running unopposed. Seconded by Heath Laber, the motion passed.

The President then asked the membership present to vote for either Brian Forsee or Lynn Kuhn for Region 3, At Large.

As the votes were being counted, Matt Scramlin auctioneered off the Southdown wool baby blanket donated by Sue Ann Carpenter. The blanket sold for \$225 to John Nixon.

At this time, it was announced that Brian Forsee would be the director in Region 3, At Large.

Jim Davis then reported on the nomination committee's recommendations for judge of the 2014 National Show. Those names are Brad Payne, F. D. McCarthy, and Brad Ellerbrock.

With no further nominations, it was moved by L.C. Scramlin to accept the nominations as presented. The motion was seconded by Matt Scramlin and passed.

The membership was then asked to vote for their choice of judge of the 2014 National Show.

As votes were being counted, the President reported on action taken by the Board, which included changes to the futurity rules, progress in the youth program, and the change that wethers would no longer need registration papers at Association sponsored shows.

The members were then asked to vote for either Farabee McCarthy or Brad Ellerbrock as judge of the 2014 National Show.

It was announced that Farabee McCarthy would be the first choice as judge of the 2014 National Show.

President Bishop then spoke on the proposed change in the constitution and by-laws concerning term limits for directors of the Association. A motion to limit directors serving to 21 years was made last year in the director's meeting and would need to be voted on by the member at the annual meeting and pass by a 2/3 majority to change the constitution. The members were asked to vote on this issue. The motion to change the constitution failed.

The Spirit of the Breed recipient for 2013 was then announced as Claudette Choma of Connecticut. Claudette was complimented for her many years of unselfish service to the breed, especially at the youth events across the country.

President Bishop asked for any further business from the membership. Frank Sexten asked the Board to reexamine the futurity rule concerning counting futurity points on separate days at State Fairs.

With no further business, the motion to adjourn was given by L.C. Scramlin, with a second by Jim Davis. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

**NOVEMBER 2013  
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
OF THE  
AMERICAN SOUTHDOWN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**

The reorganizational meeting of the American Southdown Breeders' Association was held immediately after the annual meeting of the Association.

At 9:00 p.m., President Barbara Bishop called the meeting to order with the following directors present: Mike McElvain, J.J. Maddox, Jeff Oldenburg, Brian Forsee, Jesse Shanks, Kyle Thayer, Jim Davis, Heath Laber, John Nixon, and L.C. Scramlin.

It was moved by Brian Forsee to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the past reorganizational meeting. This was seconded by Jim Davis, and the motion passed.

It was moved by Brian Forsee to elect Barbara Bishop as President of the Association for the coming year. This was seconded by Jeff Oldenburg and the motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by L.C. Scramlin to elect Mike McElvain as Vice-President of the Association for the coming year. The motion was seconded by Jim Davis, and passed unanimously.

It was noted in closing that committees would be appointed in a timely manner and to expect a conference call in January.

It was moved by John Nixon to adjourn with a second by Heath Laber. Motion to adjourn passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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