



Board Budget Meeting
February 1, 2025 at 1:00 pm
ASRC on University of Missouri-Columbia Campus
Columbia, MO

Attendance: Cord Jenkins, Deb Minish, Christy Green, Travis Ellis, Taylor Kemp, Dan Rhoades, Larry Henneke, Ray Jones, Becca Roberts, Kevin Minish, Britton Francis, Harold Eckler

Absent: Matt Anderson, Mac Finley, Rachel Ancell, Elizabeth Kiefer

Call to order at 1:19 pm.

I. Secretary Report - November 23, 2024

- A. [Annual Meeting Minutes](#)
- B. [Annual Meeting Executive Minutes](#)

Christy Green gave the secretary report from the annual meeting in the folders. The board reviewed all copies of the minutes presented. **Larry Henneke made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Becca Roberts seconded the motion and motion passed.**

II. [Treasurer Report](#) - Deb Minish

The board reviewed printed copies of the treasurers report. Deb added that there are several checks from 2023 that haven't been cashed and asked for approval to put those back into the registry. **Ray Jones made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented and for the 2023 uncashed checks to be added back into the registry. Britton Francis seconded the motion and motion passed.**

III. Midwest Stud Ram Sale Check- Dan Rhoades

Dan Rhoades presented the history of MSP's relationship with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale and the reasoning behind why MSP gets 1% of sales. Dan spoke about the decline of the Stud Ram Sale profits over the last few years. He then addressed why MSP's check for the 2024 sale was not the full 1%.

There was conversation help about how MSP can help with the sale in order to help justify receiving the 1% and helping with the profitability.

IV. [Funding requests](#)

- A. Kelsey Fuller-Missouri Livestock Judging at Missouri State Fair-\$100
- B. Ed Crowley - Ozark Highland Fiber Fling - \$750

- C. Emma Roth - Missouri Block and Bridle-Little American Royal- different categories could be over \$750
- D. David Brown - American Lamb workshop - \$250
- E. Lois Wissman - Ozark Fiber Fling - \$60
- F. Lois Wissman - State Fair Wool Demonstrations - mileage
- G. Lois Wissman - Women in Ag, OMG at White Mule Winery - mileage and booth fee
- H. Lois Wissman - Women in Ag Conferences - mileage and booth fee
- I. Lois Wissman - Dickie Bub store Ladies night - mileage, booth fee and lamb meat
- J. Amanda Clark - Lawrence County Lead Line prizes - \$75

Discussion was held about each event and what the history is with the event if any. It was suggested to make all of Lois's events into one with a cap of \$500 for requests E-J. Dan Rhoades made a motion to fund the Block N Bridle request at \$300 and Ray Jones seconded the motion. **Motion passed. Ray Jones made a motion to fund all of Lois Wissman's events E-J with a cap of \$500 for the total of the events. Harold Eckler second the motion and motion passed.**

V. Starter Flock Presentation-Madison Rapp

Madison Rapp was unable to attend the annual meeting to present her year end report so she came to the board meeting. Madison did a great job telling us about her two ewe lambs that she has raised, bred and lambbed.

VI. MSMC Funding Requests - February 1, 2025

- A. [Summary table 2024 Expenditures](#)
- B. [Summary table 2025 Requests](#)
- C. Missouri Sheep Producers Annual Meeting - \$2250
- D. Missouri FFA Public Speaking Contest-\$2100
- E. Missouri Fair Lead Line Contest - \$900
- F. Missouri Lamb Meat Promotion - \$1800
- G. Missouri Sheep Producers Newsletter - \$1200
- H. Missouri Sheep Producers Promotional Material - \$2000
- I. Missouri State Fair Promotion - \$2200
- J. Missouri Trade Shows - \$3010
- K. Missouri Youth Educational Programs - \$2500
- L. Missouri Starter Flock Program additional support - \$1200

Christy Green gave an update of the expenditures over the last year and how those compared to money requested. The MSMC board requested that we increase our lamb meat promotion to \$3000 and it was approved.

VII. [Approval of 2025 Budget](#)

Printed copies of the budget were presented to the board. Deb Minish went through the budget and adjustments were made based off of the MSMC requests that were approved this morning with lamb meat promotion going to \$3000. Discussion was held about the Make It With wool

allegation of money and why it isn't being used. Harold Eckler made a motion to move \$1000 from the Make It With Wool section to Leadline. Ray Jones seconded the motion and motion passed. Larry Henneke made a motion to move the amount of the scholarships to \$1000 each with four scholarships being awarded starting in 2025. Discussion was held about the need for the amount of the scholarship to increase. Becca Roberts seconded the motion and motion passed.

Harold Eckler made a motion to accept the budget as presented with the adjustments to Make It With Wool and Leanline and increasing the scholarship amounts. Ray Jones seconded the motion and motion passed.

VIII. Old Business from November meeting- Starter Flock Grant application approval
Christy presented the board with a copy of the new starter flock application with wording regarding who sheep can't be purchased from and previous work with sheep. The board was fine with the application so it will be updated on the website.

IX. ASI Grants

- A. Wool - \$3726 (comes in October)
- B. Mentor - \$1000 reimbursement

Christy let the board know that the wool grant has been received but the mentor grant is a reimbursement grant that will be done by September.

X. American Lamb Board

A. Meat Promotion-

- 1. Request has to be made before event
- 2. Request can only be made in Feb-March and Aug-Sep
- 3. Starting to deny some of our recurring events

B. Promotional Materials

Christy updated the board that all meat requests have to be made between Feb-March or Aug-Sept. It is getting harder to get them to reimburse for the lamb meat.

XI. Scholarship Selection

Board members were presented with the scholarship applications in advance of the meeting. Board members voted and scholarships were awarded to Madison West, Cash Honeycutt Emma Butler and Kylie Miller. These students will receive their scholarships at the Missouri State Fair on August 9 in the amount of \$1000 each.

XII. Membership - Members (paid members)

- A. 2024 Expired member list given to board
 - 1. 18 expired, total of 137 members

Christy provided the board with a list of expired members and asked for help in reaching out to them to get them back to MSP. Each member has been notified by two emails and a personal phone call.

XIII. Ads-Newsletter and Website

- A. Do you want to continue to offer to Vendors/Sponsors from Annual Meeting for \$60 for the whole year in newsletter or \$100 to be on the website as well with a business card size ad or change?
 - 1. St. Croix Association
 - 2. American White Association
 - 3. MOKATS
 - 4. Stegall Fabrication
 - 5. MFA
 - 6. Purina
- B. Do we want to open this up to members? If so, what do we want to sell those ads for?
 - 1. We had two last year that ran in the month of April

Board approved to continue this program in the newsletter this year at the prices listed above.

XIV. Reports

- A. Missouri Livestock Symposium - Kevin
 - 1. Two day event - first weekend in December in Kirksville, MO
- B. American Sheep Industry - Kevin

Kevin Minish gave in depth reports about both events. He did let the board know that ASI is coming out with a new grant this year.

XV. MSMC MSP Board Representatives

- A. MSMC Map
- B. Need nominations for districts

A committee of Cord Jenkins, Becca Roberts and Scott Kaden was formed to help with the nominations for the MSMC election nominees for the June meeting on MSP behalf. The election will be for District 2, 3 and 8 this year. Jennifer Kliethermes will be contacting them with further information.

XVI. Annual Conference

- A. [Review this year-Address survey results](#)
- B. Keep Location the same
- C. Pre-plan for next year - November 22, 2025

The board agreed to keep the meeting the same weekend as last year after discussion of possible other dates. Kevin Minish will contact Lincoln University and reserve the building.

XVII. Spring Field Day

- A. When:
- B. Where:
- C. What:

Dan Rhoades let the board know that he had talked with Transnova in Chillicothe and about a field day and they were excited to host MSP. Possible dates of April 13, 26 and May 3 were given. Dan will make contact with them and get back with Christy. It was suggested that we send out the flyers for the Spring Field Day through 4H, FFA and Extension to try and get a better turnout.

XVIII. Individual District Meetings

- A. When:
- B. Where:
- C. Who Is Responsible for Planning:
- D. What will be presented:

The board discussed what these meetings are going to look like and possible ideas of what could be done for the meetings. Cord is going to make a Google Document of different ideas that could possibly take place.

XIX. Meat Donations/Pay a member - How do you want to go about getting this?

- A. Need 300-400# of meat for the upcoming years events

It was suggested to check with Mizzou Meat market to get lamb for different events when needed.

Deb Minish asked the board to support them serving lamb at the Ozark Highland Fiber Fest in March. The board approved.

XX. Upcoming Events

- A. February 10, 2025- Missouri Farmers Care Meeting - Cord attending
- B. March - Ozark Fiber Fest
- C. June 9-14, 2025 - Midwest Stud Ram Sale

XXI. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be in May via phone.

At 4:10 pm, Britton Francis made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Becca Roberts second the motion and motion passed.