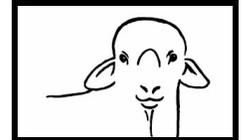


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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

It sure was a pleasure visiting with some of our members during the Houston and Eaton activities. I'm looking forward to seeing many more of you at the summer shows and sales. I'm having a hard time believing just how soon these events will occur.

Once again I would like to recommend a positive vote for the change in our director structure. Our present structure was formatted in 1991. In the early 1990's ARSBA was registering at least 12000 head per year. In 2017 that number was 1850. The new structure will be much more in tune with the present size and activity of our organization.

For my historical paragraph, I would like to share some information resulting from my reading a review of the 1950 Chicago International show. Although my primary focus was on the Angus show, I also studied the sheep shows in depth. These shows were small but considered very prestigious. The Rambouillet breeding show had 3 exhibitors with only 2 for Rambouillet wethers. The volume for the market and carload shows was a totally different matter. I will discuss those shows at a later time.

Woody

GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2018

6:30 PM

MALLET EVENT CENTER BANQUET HALL

LEVELLAND, TEXAS

Normally, when we publish the National Sale catalog, we do not traditionally do a quarterly Bouilletin for the association. With the information on the following pages, this supplement was needed to inform the membership of the business that will come before the membership at the annual meeting to be held on Friday, July 6, 2018 in Levelland, Texas.

The by-laws allow members in good standing who cannot make the annual meeting to vote by proxy. If you are interested in this option, please contact the secretary via mail, phone, or email.

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*****IMPORTANT*****
*****INFORMATION*****

A motion was made, seconded, and passed by the Board of Directors of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association to change the structure of the Districts and Directors of the ARSBA.

This proposal will be put in front of the general membership meeting at the 2018 Annual Banquet for the membership to vote on. It reads as follows:

The ARSBA Director structure would change in order to create FOUR (4) DISTRICTS, with Highway 83 splitting the country from Mexico to Canada for the east/west boundary and Interstate 80 separating the country to create the north/south boundary. In addition to the FOUR (4) DIRECTORS, there will be TWO (2) AT LARGE DIRECTORS as well as the PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT. The FOUR (4) DIRECTORS will serve FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS with one director position expiring each year. The TWO (2) AT LARGE DIRECTORS will serve TWO (2) YEAR terms with one expiring each year.

In addition, a committee has been working on updating the constitution and by-laws to bring them up to date. Please see page 4 for complete details of items that have been addressed concerning all of these topics.

This vote will be taken at the 2018 GENERAL MEETING at the annual banquet in July 2018. Make plans to attend or request a proxy form that you must complete.

Modifications to the Constitution

President Woody Joslin appointed a committee of three members, Matt Benz, Dave Julius, and Riley Waldrop to bring the constitution and by-laws up to date. The article that allows for changing the by-laws is noted below.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

These By-laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new By-laws may be adopted either by the membership or the Board of Directors. The notice of any meeting at which the By-laws are altered, amended, or repealed, or at which new By-laws are adopted shall include the text of the proposed by-law provisions as well as the text of any existing provisions proposed to be altered, amended, or repealed. Alternatively, the notice may include a fair summary of those provisions.

The proposed changes are outlined below.

Items changed to reflect our current operating methods:

Removed the physical address

Removed associate membership provision

Memberships are transferrable by board action

Changed the board from being the nominating committee to the president appointing one

Removed the provision for a membership certificate

New items

Allows technology to be used to communicate board actions

Removed items pertaining to moving from an organization to a corporation

Changed to board makeup to reflect the proposed revision for this year

Changed the notice of a special board meeting from 7 days to 24 hours.

Due to the size of the document and the costs involved, we have chosen the option of providing a summary of the changes to the membership in the newsletter. If you are interested in having a marked-up copy of the current set of by-laws, Robbie will email it to you at your request.

It is President Joslin's decision to have the membership vote on the proposed changes at the annual membership meeting and banquet on July 6, 2018 in Levelland, TX . Please plan to attend or request and complete a proxy form concerning this item.