

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Annual Meeting in Cookeville, TN @ 4<sup>th</sup> Annual EAPK Symposium

BOD Present: Lisa Weeks, Brad Carothers, Kathy Bielek, Isabel Richards, Robert Walker, Roxanne Newton, Lee Holcomb

President Brad Carothers called the Meeting to order at 4:32pm

Brad Carothers opened the meeting to discuss the happenings of the EAPK agenda so far and the great lineup of speakers and topics that have been presented. Brad also thanked Lisa Weeks, Robert Walker, and Roxanne Newton for their years of service on the EAPK Board of Directors while getting EAPK Regional group up and going.

Brad entertained a motion to accept the 2023 EAPK Annual Meeting minutes. Lisa Weeks accepted the minutes as presented and made a motion to accept, and Kathy Bielek seconded and motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Educational Outreach Committee – Kathy Bielek & Roxanne Newton

- Copy of written report provided to Secretary.
- Kathy talked about blogs and email newsletters provided throughout the year and mentioned the most popular blogs and articles by number of “hits” on the EAPK website
- Kathy mentioned that they are always looking for more article topics and volunteers to write up some blogs for the EAPK email blasts.

Audio Visual Committee – Camren Maierle

- Change in CY24 from open monthly call format to more topic specific webinars. At least three have been hosted in CY24 this year.
- Cam mentioned about needing more volunteers to bring topics and bring in more membership

Symposium Committee – Katie Carothers

- Katie announced next year’s EAPK will be in Elizabethtown, KY
- Katie mentioned more emphasis on producer field days for the remainder of CY24 into CY25 and that if anyone knew of planned field days to get in touch about sponsorship  
Dan Turner mentioned funding of the EAPK Symposium by KHSI. Members that are part of EAPK were reminded to also sign-up for KHSI to support the association as well.

Sale Committee – Brad Carothers

- Sale Details were presented in regards to format and veterinarian process at the end of sale and those changes this year for the EAPK sale
- Sheep have to be gone by 10am on Sunday morning, mention of transfer pens fees to Lisa Weeks if anyone hasn’t finished paying yet

Website & Social Media Committee – Robert Walker

- Membership section “Members Only” will be developed further in remaining 2024-25

Board Of Elections Selections

- New Board Members elected were Chris Fletcher, Camren Maierle, Tom Perkins

After no further discussion on any topics, Larry Weeks made a motion to adjourn. Robert Walker seconded and the annual meeting ended at 4:48pm

Meeting minutes submitted respectfully by Lee Holcomb, EAPK Secretary