

**Colorado Independent Cattlegrowers Association  
Board of Directors Conference Call Meeting**

**01/12/2016**

**1. Call to Order**

President Lorene Bonds called the meeting to order via conference call at 7:03 PM.

**2. Roll Call of Directors and Guests**

**Present:** Lorene Bonds, President; Cody Jolly, Janell Reid, Curt Werner, Tom Robb, John Beaty, Don Gittleson, and Wayne Rusher. Also present were Past Presidents Wil Bledsoe, Gerald Schreiber, John Reid, and Kimmi Lewis. Also present was Totsy Rees.

**Not Present:** Dr. John Maulsby, Kristine Lewis, and Totsy Rees

**3. Minutes from previous meeting**

Correction needs to be made in the spelling of Kristine Lewis' name. Janell Reid moved to accept the minutes from December 15, 2015 as corrected. Second from Paul Schmucker. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Treasurer's Report (see attached)**

Janell Reid reported that the following checks were written:

- Four States Ag Expo for \$295.00 for booth rental fee
- Rees Consulting for \$1100.00 for monthly lobbying fee
- Kelli Jo Brubaker for \$40.00 for monthly recording secretary fee

Total Expenses: \$1435.00

Balance of \$28,258.57  
less \$1435.00  
= \$26, 823.57 Balance as of 01/11/2016

Raffle Account balance is \$683.58  
Intern Account is \$595.00  
Intern CD Balance is \$1958.00  
Total Balance of all assets is \$30,015.15

There were no questions or discussion regarding the treasurer's report. Cody Jolly moved to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. Second by Tom Robb. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. R-CALF Report**

**6. Legislative report**

Totsy Rees was not on the call due to another obligation.

- Legislative Day has been tentatively scheduled for February 4, 2016. There were some questions about the time and John Reid stated that it typically starts at 10AM. Lorene stated that any date between Feb 4<sup>th</sup> and Feb 11<sup>th</sup> would work for her.
- Gerald Schreiber and John Reid spoke about having someone they know (Lori) who is in radio media give a presentation to the board about interview tactics and strategies when speaking to public figures and the media. Gerald will be speaking to her this week and will find out when she is available.
- Wil Bledsoe reported that Representative Ken Buck will be holding a roundtable January 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2pm-4pm in Greeley and CICA has been invited. Someone from the group will try to attend. Wil is going to email everyone with the information.

## 7. Membership report

Kimmi Lewis gave the report in Kristin Lewis' absence. She reported that the memberships had not been sent out as previously reported but they are being sent out now. The one that had been returned for incorrect address was actually from the Fall but the USPS had just now returned it. Membership money is beginning to come in now.

## 8. Old Business

- Website update: Cody Jolly reported that he got all of the current info to Robert last Tuesday so everything can be updated.
- Brochure update: Wil Bledsoe reported the brochures are here and he is sending them out. He thinks they look very nice.
- SECPPRC Report: Kimmi Lewis reported that currently the group is trying to strategize a plan about how to stave off the TNC and others in the coming year. They are going to have a meeting next week to organize for the year. Dr. Norman Kincaid is still maintaining the SECPPRC facebook page which still has a lot of interest. He has also written a book titled *Scammed* which is about the NPS plan for a National Heritage Area in Southeastern Colorado. It will be finished and for sale soon.
- Convention update: Cody Jolly reported that he has been unable to get in contact with the lady in Gunnison. Discussion followed about possible different locations such as Hotchkiss or Montrose. It was decided that a separate conference call would be held on Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to firm up the details for convention and then details will be reported back to the board during the next meeting.
- Four Corners Ag Expo: Lorene Bonds reported that she is attending this in March and will keep everyone updated. Janell Reid is also planning on attending.

## **9. New Business**

- State land/public hunting: Cody Jolly reported that they did have a meeting but he doesn't know when it was held or what happened during the meeting.
- Press Releases: Kimmi Lewis stated that she thinks CICA should be more active with the use of press releases. She pointed out that it is basically free advertising for the group and not using it is a wasted opportunity. She further stated that it would be helpful if CICA had someone hired to write press releases and then to do the contact work to get them published. She has spoken to Elizabeth Erickson-Noe and she is willing to accept the job of composing one press release per month and then getting them published in the papers following CICA's approval. Following discussion, Janell Reid moved to hire Elizabeth Erickson-Noe at the rate of \$300.00 per press release for the next 6 month period and then re-evaluate. Paul Schmucker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Kimmi will contact Elizabeth.
- Cody Jolly asked if we should consider affiliating the American Stewards of Liberty again. Discussion followed regarding what the affiliation costs. Cody will research this and report back to the board.

## **10. Officer & Director Reports**

**11. Next Meeting:** February 16, 2016 at 7pm

**12. Adjournment:** 8:47 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Jo Brubaker  
CICA Recording Secretary