# North Dakota Red Angus Association

# December 4, 2024

## 7:30 PM CST

#### **Board of Directors Meeting**

#### Via Zoom

## **MINUTES**

- 1.0 Roll Call: Sam Twedt, Bryan Ressler, Scott Kueffler, Chuck Steffan, Annette Steffan, <del>Chris Wasem</del>, Ryan Clementson, <del>Ben Lodoen</del>, Rick Rohrich
- 2.0 Called to order by President Sam Twedt at 7:30 PM cst
- 3.0 Secretary Report (Annette Steffan)
  - 3.1.1 Minutes from November 13, 2024, NDRAA Board Meeting held via Zoom.

Corrections: Net Income (FY 2024-2025 to Nov 12 2024) \$-839.13

Motion: Rick Rohrich moved to approve the minutes of November 13, 2024, NDRAA board

meeting as corrected. **Second:** Scott Kueffler

Action: Corrected minutes of November 13, 2024, NDRAA board meeting approved.

4.0 Treasurer Report (Annette Steffan)

4.1.1 (See attached):

Total Expenses (FY 2023-2024)	\$113,838.42	(\$43,884.05 Red Select)
Total Income (FY 2023-2024)	\$102,278.60	(\$42,654.05 Red Select)
Net Income (FY 2023-2024)	\$-11559.82	
Total Expenses (FY 2024-2025 to Dec 2, 2024)	\$ 9,150.00	
Total Income (FY 2024-2025 to Dec 2 2024)	\$ 6,242.03	
Net Income (FY 2024-2025 to Dec 2 2024)	\$ 2,907.97	
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CD at Dakota Community Bank:	\$ 11,058.68	
Checking Account Balance:	\$ 25,102.46	
Total cash position:	\$ 36,161.14	

Motion: Ryan Clemetson moved to approve the financial report for the December 4, 2024

NDRAA board meeting. **Second:** Scott Kueffler

**Discussion:** 

Action: Financial Report for the December 4, 2024, NDRAA board meeting approved.

4.1.2 Budget: Chuck Steffan went through the financial statement that will be presented to the membership at the annual meeting.

**Motion:** Ryan Clemetson moved to approve the annual financial statement.

Second: Rick Rohrich

**Action:** The annual financial statement as presented to the board **approved**.

4.1.3 ND Junior Red Angus Association (Annette Steffan):

Income: \$ 2785.00 (November 1, 2024 to date) Expenses: \$ 1987.90 (November 1, 2024 to date) Net Income: \$ 797.10 (November 1, 2024 to date)

Checking Account Balance: \$ 12,677.00 (December 2, 2024)

Motion: Chuck Steffan moved to approve the NDJRAA financial report.

Second: Scott Kueffler

Discussion:

Action: The NDJRAA financial report approved.

- 4.1.4 Taxes (Chuck Steffan): Larry Robinson, CPA, Galleon Financial is still working on the taxes. Chuck will have the report ready by the annual meeting.
- 5.0 Standing Committee Reports
  - 5.1.1 **By-Laws Committee.** (Bryan Ressler)
    - 5.1.1a Members
      - 1. Bryan Ressler (Vice President) Chair
      - 2. Annette Steffan (Secretary/Treasurer)
      - 3. Robert Campbell (Past President)
      - 4. Kenny Forster (Past President)
      - 5. Marc Schrieffer (Member at Large)
    - 5.1.1b Amendment to the By-Laws

Article III: Section 4: 4a The Secretary/Treasurer Red Select Sale Management under the discretion of the NDRAA board of directors shall disperse buyer information to sellers in NDRAA female or bull sales so that sellers may transfer animals to new owners.

Reason: It is impossible to get the addresses from Kist. This should be part of the sales management responsibilities. This amendment will be proposed at the annual meeting.

- 5.1.2 **Nominating Committee.** (Scott Kueffler)
  - 5.1.2a Members: Sam Twedt will get members assigned.
    - 1. Scott Kueffer (Immediate Past President) Chair
    - 2. Mark Barenthsen
    - 3. Robert Campbell
  - 5.1.2b Nominating forms
    - 1. Officers/Directors (Need to get nominations ready)

President (term expires January 2028)

Vice President (term expires January 2028)

Director: (term expires January 2028)

Director: Ben Lodoen Will run again for a second term (term expires

**January 2028)** 

- 2. Procedure for the election of officers.
  - -One ballot pack will be given to the voting member of the ranch
  - -Election order will be as follows: President, Vice President, Director, Director
  - -Chair of the Nomination Committee (Scott) will present the nominations for President from the committee. Sam will open nominations from the floor. If there are nominations from the floor than a ballot will need to be cast.
  - -Same procedure for the rest of the offices.

-Ballot counters (3) Nominating committee chair + 2 others selected by President.

- 3. Ballots packets of 6 different colors are being put together.
- 4. Honorary Memberships awarded to:
  - a. Carl Frisinger (Jacket)
  - b. Sally Forster (Jacket)
  - c. Bill Whitmore (Jacket)
  - d. Karen Messmer (Jacket)
- 5. Commercial Cattle Producer of the Year awarded to:

Bar Diamond Bar Ranch: Pat McGee (Jacket) and Rhonda Luebke (Jacket)

6. Founders Award awarded to:

Presser Red Angus: Troy (Jacket) and Annette (Jacket) Presser

## 5.1.3 **ND Junior Red Angus Association.** (Annette Steffan)

#### 5.1.3a 2024 County Buckle Winners Final List

Ward County: Carsen Kohler: Champion Market Buckle Sponsor: Schriefer Red Angus

Montrail County: Lane Vachal: Reserve Champion Market **Buckle Sponsor: Barenthsen-Bullinger Red Angus** Montrail County: Brooke Vachal: Reserve Champion Commercial **Female Buckle Sponsor: Lazy D Red Angus** 

Montrail County: Tana Lee, Reserve Champion British Female **Buckle Sponsor: DK Red Angus** Kidder County: Ava Schmidt: Reserve Champion Female **Buckle Sponsor: Koester Red Angus** Bowman County: Reese Janikowski: Champion Market **Buckle Sponsor: Campbell Red Angus**/

Slope County: Jett Ouradnik: Reserve Female **Buckle Sponsor: McGee Red Angus**Morton County: Jolyn Rusch: Champion Female **Buckle Sponsor: Forster Red Angus**Morton County: Regan Rusch: Champion Bull **Buckle Sponsor: Presser Red Angus** 

Walsh County: Graysen Daws: Champion Female (Buckle is on order) Buckle Sponsor: Twedt Red Angus

Clearwater County MN: Ava Larson: Reserve Champion Pair (Buckle is on Order)

#### **Buckle Sponsor: Ressler Land & Cattle**

NDJRAA State Show: Jamie Geyer, Champion Registered Female, Ch Bred & Owned

#### **Buckle Sponsor: Seeger & Rusch Red Angus**

NDJRAA State Show: Adalyn Bullinger, Reserve Bred & Owned, Mountrail County: Gr Champion Briti Female

**Buckle Sponsor: JK Angus** 

NDJRAA State Show: Colbie Furstenau, Reserve Champion Registered State Fair, Cavalier Cty Supreme Female

**Buckle Sponsor: L83 Ranch** 

NDJRAA State Show: Kodi Bell, Champion Percentage Female Buckle Sponsor: Dalhke Red Angus

NDJRAA State Show: Cale Bell, Reserve Champion Percentage Female

## **Buckle Sponsor: Wasem Red Angus/Heart River Ranch**

Total Count: Grand Market: 2

Reserve Market: 1 Grand Female: 4 Reserve Female: 8 Grand Bull: 1 Reserve Bull: 0

Total Buckles: 16

- 5.1.3b Scholarships: There were 9 applicants for scholarships. The Juniors will be giving
  - 1). To a high senior/first year college or trade school: 1 (one) \$1000 scholarship
  - 2). To a high senior/first year college or trade school: 1 (one) \$500 scholarship
  - 3). To a two-year plus college or trade school student: 1 (one) -\$500 scholarship
- 5.1.3c Mentor Award: Shaye Wanner
- 5.1.3d Rise Up Award: DV Auction
- 5.1.3e NDJRAA President, Kacee Wasem will give a junior report at the annual meeting.
- 5.1.3f Semen sale is organized and ready.

- 5.1.3g Silent Auction items are coming in.
- 5.1.3h Juniors will help decorate banquet.
- 5.1.3i Royalty will pin corsages on award winners.
- 5.1.3j Juniors will hang signs on pens at sale barn.

#### 5.1.4 **Red Select Sale Committee.** (Ryan Clemetson)

## 5.1.4a Members

- 1. Scott Kueffler (Immediate Past President)
- 2. Ryan Clemetson (NDRAA Board Member) Chair
- 3. Kaden Rohrich (Member at Large

## 5.1.4b Sale Management:

- 5.1.4c Check-in will be Sam Twedt, Ryan Clemetson, Kaden Rohrich. Jeff will take care of ear tags.
- 5.1.4d Videos/Pictures on website.
  - Link to DVAuction is on website.
- 5.1.4e Heifer Grant Program
  - Application: Amy Wanous has paid NDJRAA dues
- 5.1.4f. Reminder that all members participating in the ND Red Select Sale must have their \$100 membership and nomination dues paid. Annette will invoice all sale consigners for membership and nomination fees. These need to be paid because it is a hassle to run people down for these and they are supposed to be paid right away.

Annual meeting participation: A general rule has been that these members attend and participate in the annual meeting.

Red Select Sale Consigner		Nomina	tion Paid		Dues Pd		Banquet RSVP
Berwald Red Angus	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-8			
Blom Red Angus		Yes			Yes		Yes-1-PD
Boot Jack Cattle		Yes			Yes		No RSVP-save 1
Broken Heart Ranch	Yes			No (\$100)	Yes		
Brylor Ranch		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	No but sav	re 1	
C-Bar Red Angus		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	No RSVP		
CK Red Angus		Yes			Yes		Yes-1
Dahlke Red Angus	Yes			No (\$100)	Yes-2		
DK Red Angus		Yes			No (\$100)	Yes-1	
Dry Creek Ranch		Yes			Yes		Yes-2-PD
Forrest Sears		Yes			Yes-Jr men	nber	Yes RSVP
Forster Red Angus	Yes			Yes		Yes-1-PD	
Kirwan Red Angus	Yes			No (\$100)	Yes RSVP		
Klompien Red Angus	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2			
Larson's Lost River	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-5			
Missouri River Red Angus		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2		
Nordlund Stock Farm, LLC		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2		
OHR Red Angus		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-1		
PGC Cattle	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2			
Pleasant View Farms	Yes			Yes		Yes-1	
Presser Red Angus	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2			
Ressler Land & Cattle	Yes			No (\$100)	Yes-1		
Rohrich's Cutting Edge		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-1		
Seeger & Rusch Red Angus		Yes			No (\$100)	Yes-1	
Turtle River Cattle	No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2			
Twedt Red Angus		No (\$150)		No (\$100)	Yes-2		

 Wasem Red Angus
 No (\$150)
 No (\$100) Yes-4

 Wild to Mild Red Angus
 Yes
 No (\$100) Yes-3

 Total outstanding
 \$2100
 \$2000
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#### 5.1.5 FCCP (Feeder Calf Certification Program) Sale Committee.

#### 5.1.5a Members

Sam Twedt (President) Chair
 Ben Lodoen (Board Member)
 Max Robison (Member at Large)
 Doug McGee (Member at Large)
 Larry Lundberg (Member at Large)

#### 5.1.5b Promoting Red Angus Influence Sales

## 5.1.6 Advertising & Promotion Committee. (Annette Steffan)

- 5.1.6a Members
  - Annette Steffan (Secretary) Chair
     Rich Rohrich (Board Member)
     Tracey Koester (Member at Large)
- 5.1.6b North Dakota Stockman Association
- 5.1.6c Website ndredangus.org
- 5.1.6d Facebook page
  - 1. Tracey is working on the 2025 Year proposal.
  - 2. Content of the NDRAA Facebook page is starting to feature ND Red Select Sale
- 5.1.6e Prorated Advertising
  - 1. Do we only advertise on Facebook for those ranches that are participating in Prorated Advertising.
  - 2. Do we put link logos on the Membership page on the website for those ranches participating in Prorated Advertising? Problem: collecting logos.

**Motion**: Chuck Steffan moved that Prorated Advertisers get exposure on the NDRAA Facebook page prior to their sale and on the NDRAA Website (link to the breeder website).

Second: Scott Kueffler

**Discussion**: Annette said that she needs logos from breeders that have websites and will link the breeder logo on the Breeders page to the appropriate website. Only Prorated Advertisers will have their sale featured on the Facebook page prior to their sale.

**Action**: Prorated Advertisers will get exposure on the NDRAA Facebook page prior to their sale and on the NDRAA Website (link to the breeder website) **approved**.

- 5.1.6f Farm and Ranch Guide: Annette will be doing an interview concerning the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Sue Roessler for an article. The article will be on the front page of the Farm and Ranch Guide the week of December 13, 2024.
- 5.1.6e Annette will be doing a podcast with Taylor Ohlde, RAAA marketing team, concerning the history of Red Angus in North Dakota.

## 5.1.7 Fundraising Committee. (Ben Lodoen)

- 5.1.7a Members
  - 1. Chuck Steffan (Secretary/Treasurer)
  - 2. Ben Lodoen (Board Member) Chair

# 5.1.7b Donation Heifer Raffle

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#### 5.1.7c Directory/Sponsorships

5.1.7c.1 Directory is done. Annette ordered the membership list to send directories for \$100. RAAA will send list to United Printing.

## 5.1.8 National/Regional/State Events Committee. (Chris Wasem) No Report

#### 5.1.8a Members

Chris Wasem (Board Member) Chair
 Annette Steffan/Shaye Koester/Sara Lee (NDJRAA Advisor)
 Steve Koester (Member at Large)

#### 5.1.8b Events

- \*NDJRAA Field Day (2025): Saturday, May 31, 2025, Badland's Ministries, Medora ND
- \*JRA Show "Red Carpet Red" June 9 13, 2025
- \*ND State Fair (NDJRAA STATE SHOW): Tuesday, July 22, 2025
- \*National Convention: September 10-12, 2025, Loveland CO
- \*ND Stockman's Convention: September 17-19, 2025, Bismarck ND
- \*NDRAA start of new fiscal year, November 1, 2024
- \*ND Red Angus Association 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting & Banquet: Friday, December 13, 2024. Bismarck Hotel and Convention Center, Bismarck, ND.

#### 5.1.9 **Membership Committee.**

The Membership Committee is charged with new membership, maintaining a current membership list, and assisting the Secretary/Treasurer in collection of dues and/or membership information. The Membership Committee will consist of a board member (who will be committee chair), and two members at large.

- 1. Annette or Chuck Steffan (Co-Secretary/Treasurer)
- 2. Bryan Ressler (Board Member) Chair
- (Member at Large) Sam will appoint
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- 5.1.9a Annette sent membership forms with meeting notice
- 5.1.9b New/Renewed:

## 5.1.10 Special Committee: 60th Anniversary Committee

- 1. Annette Steffan (Board)
- 2. Jolyn Wasem (Member at Large) Co-Chair
- 3. Jodi Schriefer (Member at Large) Co-Chair (Video)
- 4. Rylee Lodoen (Member at Large)
- 5. Kenny Forster (Member at Large) Video
- 6. Troy Presser (Member at Large) Video
- 7. Robert Campbell (Member at Large) Video

## 5.1.10a Video Project

1. Video is being edited. Change in narrator to Scott Weishaar because of editing time.

#### 5.1.10b Jackets

<sup>\*</sup>ND Red Select Sale; Saturday, December 14, 2024. Kist Livestock, Mandan, ND.

1. Jackets with Zoetis logo will be given to award winner.

## 6.0 Old Business:

- 6.1 Annual Meeting
  - 6.1.1a Annual Meeting Notice sent out November 5, 2024:
    - 1. Minutes of 2023 Annual Meeting (Attached)
    - 2. Agenda (Attached)
    - 3. Amendment to bylaws

Article III: Section 4: 4a The Secretary/Treasurer Red Select Sale Management under the discretion of the NDRAA board of directors shall disperse buyer information to sellers in NDRAA female or bull sales so that sellers may transfer animals to new owners.

## 6.2 Annual Banquet

#### 6.2.1a Banquet RSVP's

- RSVP were mailed November 12, 2024 and are due **DECEMBER 6, 2024**.
   There is a QR code on the mailed RSVP which will link to the website online RSVP. RSVP can be done through the website. Most people have responded through website RSVP. This has worked well.
- 2. Board members, consigners and members need to be called if attending the banquet. Sam Twedt, Ryan Clemetson, Bryan Ressler took some names and will text Annette with RSVP
- 3. The count has to be right on because it is a plated meal...there will be no exceptions to allow people in last minute. Annette possibly will order 10 extra meals. She will talk to the events manager about the possibility of ordering extra meals.
- 6.3 Valley City Sponsorship: Annette has not received an invoice for NDRAA Sponsorship.
- 7.0 New Business
- 8.0 Next Meeting Date: Thursday, December 12, 2024

Time: 7:30 PM cst

Location: Bismarck Hotel & Convention Center

9.0 Adjourn

Motion: Scott Kueffler moved to adjourn.

Second: Bryan Ressler

Action: Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm cst.

Respectfully submitted

# Annette Steffan

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Co Secretary-Treasurer
ND Red Angus Association