



# Pennsylvania Hereford Association

## 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes

The **Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Hereford Association** was held on Saturday, **March 11, 2017 at The Hall at Kinton's Knob in Bedford, PA**

A social hour started the evening followed by Paul Slayton leading us in prayer prior to the meal. 51 adults and 6 children were in attendance.

### **President**

Kevin Diehl (2018)  
717-648-0086

### **Vice President**

Dustin Heeter(2020)  
724-639-9159

### **Secretary**

Joanne Fisher(2019)  
412-849-3075

### **Treasurer**

Les Midla (2019)  
724-267-3325

### **Membership Chairman**

Julie Schmidt (2018)  
814-332-0627

### **Directors**

Cliff Black (2020)  
908-938-0387

Bill Dunn(2020)  
814-724-9343

Joe Cogan (2020)  
814-977-1444

Jerry Clapper (2018)  
814-766-3165

Mike Firestein (2019)  
717-507-5229

Shawn Guyer (2019)  
814-766-3669

Doug Howe (2018)  
610-942-4249

Sam Hunter (2019)  
301-824-4771

Luke Vogel (2018)  
724-816-4434

Tawnya Wigfield (2020)  
814-494-2780

President, Bill Dunn, called the meeting to order at 6:52 PM.

Members were given a copy of the **2016 Annual Meeting minutes** for review. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Joe Cogan and seconded by Sam Hunter. Motion carried.

**Treasurer:** Walt Dana gave the Financial Report. The money (\$12,976.15) from the Vanguard Money Market Fund is currently in our checking account since, under SEC rules; we were unable to invest in a retail money market fund. The Board of Directors will make a decision where to better invest this money. Motion to accept the financial report was made by Luke Vogel and seconded by Les Midla. Motion carried.

**Farm Show Steer Sale** – Dustin Heeter reported the PHA was able to purchase 2 steers out of the 18 Hereford steers that were available.

**PJHA Report** – Alesha Howe reported that the Juniors have had another productive and successful year. Reported good turnout of Juniors at various local shows and at the Junior Nationals in Madison Wisconsin. Everyone gave Alesha a round of applause, as this will be her last year in the PJHA. We thank you for many jobs well done!

**Junior Scholarship Awards** – Doug and Jenny Howe reported there were a number of good applicants this year. This year's recipients are Walker Dunn and Greg Park. Congratulations!!

**AHA Annual Meeting** Bill Dunn attended the AHA annual meeting, held in Kansas City, reported upcoming improvements in EPD's that will be updated more frequently, which will improve accuracy. They are working to include problems such as cancer eye and prolapse. He also stated that improvements are being made to My Herd as it continues to evolve. Bill was impressed with the amount of young people that are in the Kansas City office. He is certain that their knowledge of social media and technology will have the Hereford Association headed in the right direction.

**Election of Board of Directors** – Outgoing Directors include Sam Cottle and Walt Dana. Joe Cogan, Bill Dunn, and Dustin Heeter, whose terms also end this year, have agreed to run for another term, if elected.

Nominations from the floor are:

Tawnya Wigfield, nominated by Joe Cogan. Seconded by Sam Hunter

Cliff Black, nominated by Luke Vogel. Seconded by Walt Dana

With no further nominations, a motion to close was given by Joanne Fisher. Seconded by Larry Chaikcic. Motion carried.

Since there were two vacancies and two nominations, there was no need for a vote to be taken.

Motion by Les Midla. Seconded by Luke Vogel. Motion carried.

**PHA Breeder of the Year Award** - Dustin Heeter presented this year's award to the Midla family. The Midla family has been involved with the Hereford breed for several generations.

They involve themselves both locally and nationally. Dustin commended the Midla's for their willingness to give back to this organization and the Hereford breed as a whole. Thank you and congratulations.

**Old Business:** The PHA website is up and running and Joanne continues to request dates for events, pictures, or anything else that is news worthy regarding the Hereford breed.

**New Business:** The 2017 PHA Field Day will be held at the Dunn Family Farm on May 12 and 13. The Field Day will coincide with the PJHA Preview Show. The Dunn Farm is located in Cochran PA.

**Silent Auction:** There was a nice selection of items in this year's auction. \$300 was collected, which will benefit the steer fund.

Speaker: Dr. Lowell Midla, VMD, MS Merck Veterinary Technical Services Manager. Dr. Midla gave an enthusiastic and informative discussion on Dystocia Management. Topics included when to intervene, 4 rules of dystocia, prevention of hip lock, and calf resuscitation.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Chaikic. Seconded by Kevin Diehl. Meeting adjourned 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

**Joanne Fisher**

Joanne Fisher, Recording Secretary