

PINE TREE HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION  
Fall Directors Meeting – November 16, 2007

The Pine Tree Holstein Association Fall Directors Meeting was called to order by President Jim Strout. Present were Jim Strout, Eda Tripp, Lincoln Hawes, Brian Rienhardt, Ron Simpson, Mike Wilson, Bill Boullard, Steve Briggs, Patty Caradonna, and Debbie Keene. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were presented in printed form. They were both accepted as printed.

Committee Reports:

**STATE SHOW:** Steve Briggs reported that the 2007 State Holstein Show which was judged by Robert Fitzsimmons had 120 head entered. The Juniors had a good attendance. The 2008 show will be at Windsor again. Suggestions for 2008 judges were: Adam Little, NY; Tim Leach, VT; and Brian Craswell, PEI. Adam Little has agreed to serve as the 2008 judge.

**BREED PROMOTION:** Steve Briggs also reported for Breed Promotion that last year's barn meeting was very successful. Plans are being made to hold the 2008 barn meeting at Ron Simpsons if his new building is complete; otherwise, it will be at Stoneyvale Farm (The Fogler family) with it being scheduled for February school vacation week. Subjects suggested for the meeting were sexing semen and purchasing medical prescriptions thru catalogs.

**SALE COMMITTEE:** Jim Strout spoke about possibly having a sale in connection with New England Ag Expo, possible an all breeds sale which would be held at Windsor. Jim will get more info and get back to the Board.

**FUTURITY:** Patty Caradonna turned in a check for \$2138.66 which is the balance in the Futurity account as the last Futurity was held in 2007. Mike Wilson thanked all who had helped over the last 35 years. He noted that there used to be 50 head entered and he hated to see it end. Mike said that Warren Shires was very instrumental in getting the Futurity started. Eda thanked Mike and Patty for all they had done to make the Futurity successful.

**YOUTH:** Debbie Keene reported that the Youth are a great group; that they did a good job hosting the NE Convention. Debbie said someone needs to step up to lead and help the Youth as she is stepping down. Discussion followed and several names were suggested. Jim Strout will try to reach some of the suggested people.

**2007 NE CONVENTION:** Eda reported that the Convention was very successful with about 107 at the Banquet, 70 at the Breakfast, and 56 at the Luncheon. She said that everyone gave Maine good marks for their hospitality.

2008 ANNUAL MEETING: It was decided to hold the 2008 Annual Meeting at the Governor's in Waterville on March 15, 2008 with March 22 as a back-up date.

BUDGET: The following Budget was approved by the Board:

Show	\$3200.00
Youth	1000.00
Breed Promotion	750.00
State Meeting	750.00
Web Site	Review at Annual Meeting
Misc	900.00

NE DELEGATE: Betsy Bullard reported that the NE Sale Committee is being reformed and will determine what direction the Sale should go in. The NE Youth are receiving a mailing to fill out which will determine what they want to be involved in. They would like to find some new contests to involve more youth and so more youth will go to the National Convention. Betsy and three Maine people are willing to be involved in the Junior Program. The 2008 NE Convention will be held in Connecticut.

MEMBERSHIP: Eda reported that we still maintain 2 delegates to National Convention. The 2008 delegates are Steve Keene and Pete Waterman.

As there was no more business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eda Tripp