

GPTLA Board Meeting 5-12-25

The GPTLA Board of Directors met on May 11th, 2025, at 1:30 pm MDT at Gordon Howie's. Present were president Gordon Howie, secretary Shawn Tobin, treasurer Lisa Sanders, and board member Lorin Lippert. Also present were Larry Mayer, Deb Lippert, and Mark Sanders.

Gordon opened the meeting with a prayer. Shawn read the minutes from the last meeting. Shawn made a motion to approve the minutes, Lorin seconded, and all approved. Lisa gave a treasurer's report with \$6085.87 in the GPTLA account.

Gordon made the board aware of correspondence between himself and Scot and Jodie O'Bryan, representing their Top Hand Longhorn Sale. In the correspondence, Scot informed Gordon that Top Hand Longhorn Sale had signed a contract between Central States Fair, Inc. and Top Hand Longhorns, LLC, dated May 5th, 2025. A copy of said contract was given to each member present at the meeting. A copy of the said contract will also be attached to the email containing these minutes and will be sent to all members. Gordon then informed the board of an in-person meeting between himself and the O'Bryan's, where the O'Bryan's gave Gordon a proposal for the GPTLA to agree to. Gordon stated negotiations did not go well. A copy of the said proposal terms will also be attached to email containing these minutes and will be sent to all members.

After a long discussion, Shawn made a motion for the board to send this to the GPTLA membership to vote on the acceptance/decline of the O'Bryan proposal, and to vote for the continuation or relocation/time change of the GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show. This motion did not receive a second, and died for a lack thereof.

Lorin then made a motion, seconded by Lisa, for the board to make the decision to accept or decline the proposal made by O'Bryan's, representing Top Hand Longhorn Sale, for the GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show at the Central States Fair. Motion was approved by Gordon, Lorin, and Lisa voting aye (for), and Shawn voting nay (against). This vote effectively cancelled the GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show at the Central States Fair.

Shawn motion and seconded by Lisa, to ask the membership for input/recommendations for future GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Shows. All approved. Gordon then asked to have the recommendations by June 1st, 2025.

Shawn then made clear that with the cancellation of the GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show, all other associated GPTLA events will be cancelled at the Central States Fair including the GPTLA Bull Showcase and the GPTLA Silent Auction.

Shawn made a motion to still have \$5000.00 from the account, to be set aside for a possible future GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show at a different time and/or a location. There was no second and motion failed.

Lorin then mentioned that Rainbow Bible Ranch declined to participate in the animal raffle, officially cancelling that raffle.

Larry gave an update on the gun, for the gun raffle. It has been purchased, and monies are being collected for the engraving. The gun is currently at the engravers waiting for the list of sponsors to be added.

Shawn made a motion, seconded by Lorin, that all sponsor monies donated thus far for the GPTLA sponsored TLBAA/TLBT World Qualifying Show, along with all Bull Showcase entry fees collected thus far, be refunded. All approved.

A member meeting has been arranged for June 21st, 2025, at 1:00pm MDT at Gordon Howie's. Shawn made a motion to approve that time and place, Lisa seconded, and all approved.

Shawn then asked for the Board's approval to set up a phone/video conference to help get more members involved. Approval was given.

Shawn motion to approve the amended by-laws, Lorin seconded, with all approved.

With no more business to discuss, Lisa made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Lorin seconded, and all approved.

Shawn Tobin, GPTLA secretary