ARPAS Board Meeting, April XX, 2018

Meeting called to order by Aaron Park, President

Welcome

Treasurers Report, Wendy Flatt

Midwest Chapter, $9,935.92 as of 01/31/2018

- $3,360.00 is from Midwest Chapter membership dues

Midwest ASAS meeting

- Had coffee sleeves by booth,
- Meeting went very well
- Budgeted about $1,000.00 for the meeting
- How many people took ARPAS test during the meetings?

Four State Dairy Conference

- Nothing to report
- In past we administered exams at this meeting, currently none of our Midwest Chapter Board members attend this meeting

Beef Improvement Federation meeting June 20-23 Loveland, CO

- Jim Gibb, Chairman of BIF planning committee
- Agreed to give ARPAS the list of registrants for the meeting, if we agreed that we would only contact those registrants that were affiliated with private industry and universities, which we should be able to do by looking at email addresses
- Wendy will work with Cornicha on sending out email blast that ARPAS will be at BIF this year so participants can take the ARPAS test at the meeting on Thursday afternoon
- Cornicha will be sending exams and pamphlets to Wendy so she can take those with her to BIF

MN Nutrition and Professional Development Conference

- Midwest ARPAS will be sponsoring the graduate students’ awards
- Needs to contact to make sure there is a room for exam and Professional Development (PD) conference and a link to register for it.
- Conference call will need to be set to get more details lined out for the
- Rick said he would help get sponsorships to help with expenses related to PD conference
- Stephanie will coordinate the advertisement in trade magazines, etc. free is better, email with your ideas
- Agenda is getting ready to be set for PD conference
- Rick is setting up a conference call with a prospective speaker, Doug Kaiser, lives in Aurora, IA.
- Date for PD Conference would be September 18th, the afternoon before the MN Nutrition Conference
• Would be great if board members could attend it, Great time to meet our fellow board members
• Topics possibly covered by speaker
  1) Components of effective communication
  2) Listening skills
• Pre-registration is required, for the PD Conference
• Would be nice if ARPAS could send out a postcard or email with a “Save the Date” for the preconference professional development seminar in April or May

**Other Business**

• Rick, President Elect, need to get board members for 2018/19
• Year end is due June 30th, I’m not sure what this entails
• Send Rick contact information about potential board members
• Try to get a good balance of ruminant and monogastric folks

**Midwest ARPAS Newsletter Format**

• Twice a year newsletter, to let people know what Midwest ARPAS is doing
• Introduce new people who joined with a short bio
• Who the board members of Midwest ARPAS are
• What opportunities are available within ARPAS and the Midwest ARPAS
• A calendar of conferences eligible for ARPAS CEU’s
• Stories to share on why members joined ARPAS
• Keep it short and simple, nobody is going to read anything long winded
• Ken wanted to send a draft to the ARPAS governing council to see what they thought of idea
• How does Midwest ARPAS get this off the ground?
• Cornicha can send the newsletters out via email with little cost to our chapter.
• Ken suggested sending this newsletter before the elections with a hot link to the ballot, he said IT could set this up

**New Business**

Teleconference on Professional Development Committee, amount to charge participants, update on exam numbers at Tri-State Dairy Conference

Meeting adjourned at 14:45 by President, Aaron Park.