

SBA Board meeting held on Friday 15 March 2013

Present: Mr S Henderson (Chairman), Mr J Bell, Mrs J Hutchison, Mr P Lambert, Mr G McFadzean, Mr J Stewart.

In Attendance: Mr C Mallon, Mr D Todd.

Apologies were received from Mr D Barron, Mr M Gibson, Mr D Mitchell, Mr A Wright.

A brief summary of the issues discussed, information reported, decisions taken and points raised are as follows: -

Minute

- The minute of the previous meeting was approved.

NBA Update

- Any monies due from the NBA were to be transferred to the SBA on a monthly basis.
- The due date for SBA subscriptions was to remain as January for the time being.
- The preferred structure for the SBA would be a limited company registered in Scotland. This would require the NBA to dissolve a company with the same name that had been set up and registered in England.
- The SBA would not be registered as a charity at this stage.
- The SBA should become VAT registered.
- The e-mail addresses of the members needed to be updated.
- A new membership application form needed to be produced.
- Scott Henderson had been appointed as a trustee of the NBA.
- The NBA Board were supportive of what the SBA was trying to do.

Finance

- An update was given on the current financial position of the SBA.
- A letter would be sent to all members who had not yet paid their subscriptions encouraging them to do so.
- The draft SBA annual budget was discussed.

Membership

- A list of members with incomplete contact details was to be circulated to all Board members.

Events

- It was considered to be too late to organise any major event in 2013.
- A series of farm walks in conjunction with the local auction markets was to be organised.

Sponsorship

- Sponsorship was to be sought for the farm walks mentioned above.
- The design of the SBA website was to be pursued.
- Stand space had been booked for a sheep event to be held at Dingwall.
- Stand space had been booked for the Highland Show.

Stakeholder Groups

- A report on the Animal Health stakeholder group would be circulated.

CAP Reform

- A conference on CAP Modelling was to be held.

Any Other Business

- The SBA was to take the lead role in setting up a group of interested parties to discuss future policy for the beef industry.