MINUTES KANSAS SECTION, SRM MEETING MAY 20, 2002 McPherson, Kansas

The meeting was called to order by Baron Shively at 7:30 p.m. at the Perkins restaurant in McPherson. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Not enough members were at the meeting, so the minutes were approved pending full approval at the next meeting. The treasurer s report was approved, again pending full approval at the next meeting.

The annual meeting was discussed, possibly having it at Hutchinson or Hays if needed. Jeff Davidson is in charge of the annual meeting. If we went to Hutchinson we could have a tour with the Kansas Graziers Association.

Awards: Carol Blocksome suggested advertising early for nominations for the grazing awards. It was also suggested to simplify the forms for the nominations and put them on the web.

Financial report: A discussion was held on selling caps, buckles, pins, and jackets with the Kansas SRM logo on them. If hats were used, it was recommended to have them embroidered. Baron will investigate this. Walt reported that we were getting low on Excellence for Grazing Management signs. We only have about 10 to 12 left. This would be enough for this year, but need to order more. A discussion was held on any changes to the wording on the signs. Carol suggested contacting our customers to find out what they wanted on the signs.

Information and Education: There were 434 newsletters sent out this last time. A discussion was held on sending newsletters by email to save on postage. This will be left to the I & E committee.

Membership: Walt reported current membership in Kansas chapter is 102 as of the end of January.

Student Affairs: There are 18 registrations so far for the range youth camp. The adult range management school is planned in northwest Kansas this year.

Old Business: Baron gave report on the national meeting held in Kansas City. The changes to the Kansas bylaws relating to ties in elections was discussed. We will put proposal in newsletter and then bring up at the Fall meeting to decide.

New business: Carol volunteered for the Public Affairs committee. We need another member. Had discussion on putting together new binders as guides for committees.

Meeting was adjourned.

Joe Hecht