

AMERICAN BOER GOAT ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 30, 1996
FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS

In the absence of President Pruitt, Vice-President Maze called the meeting to order with the following board members present, constituting a quorum: Annette Maze, carrying a proxy from Don Smith; T. E. Beck, W. E. Whitehead, carrying a proxy from Lynn Farmer; George Cunningham, Mike Masters, Sharon Holman, carrying proxies from Mike Jernigan, and Allen Lynch; Lou Nuti, Don Jackman, and Walter Pope. Committee chairs present: Margaret Beck, Russ Cooper, Marvin Shurley. Guests: Maedale Foust, Billy Viner, Laura Patten, Fred Homeyer, Ewing Downen, Terry Hankins, Casey Hasten, Tanda Gordon. Executive Director: Linnelle Wilson

Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the September meeting with minor corrections. The vote was called and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Treasurer Beck presented the September 30 financial report and the estimated cash balance report. Motion was made and seconded that the reports be approved as presented. The vote was called and the motion carried.

Member Comments

Motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing member complaints. The Board reviewed five member complaints, determined that three of those required more information and that two have no further basis for action. Motion was made and seconded to return to regular session. The vote was called and the motion carried. Motion was made and seconded to send a copy of respondents' letters to complainants. The vote was called and the motion carried. Motion was made and seconded to receive more information on three complaints. The vote was called and the motion carried. Motion was made and seconded "To initiate a Policy for the Ethics Committee to notify originator of complaints against other ABGA members that a copy of the complaint will be sent to the member against whom a complaint is registered." After discussion the vote was called and the motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

Motion was made and seconded to receive the Executive Director's Report for information only, with no additions. The vote was called and the motion carried.

Committee Reports

Advertising and Promotion Chair Margaret Beck yielded the floor to Director Holman for the purpose of reviewing the Proposals for the Official Publication. Director Holman introduced Billye Viner to answer the Board's questions regarding her publication proposal. Director Holman then introduced Terry Hankins to answer the Board's questions regarding his publication proposal. In addition to the proposals the Board reviewed the action recently taken to stop the publication of the membership brochure. After discussion, motion was made and seconded in reference to the brochure to update the brochure, modifying the photos, to meet the ABGA breed standards, getting the brochure published as soon as possible. Mr. Mohon will be questioned on the possibility of airbrushing the tail of one photo, at what cost versus the cost of changing the Brochure by adding new photos. By phone conversation, Mr. Mohon related that one photo could be airbrushed at no additional cost. New photos would add to the cost of the brochure.

Motion was made and seconded to produce our own brochure as soon as possible. The vote was called and the motion carried.

In additional conversation Terry Hankins offered the Association an opportunity to purchase space in his current publication, Goat Rancher, at a price per page to be determined. Motion was made and seconded that ABGA publish the Official Publication as a Boer Goat publication. After discussion the vote was called and the motion carried.

The **Association Relationships Committee** Chair Marvin Shurley reported on recent meetings with other breed associations and requested a reciprocal honorary membership for the Presidents of approved associations. A motion was made and seconded to offer a one year complimentary, reciprocal membership to the acting president of official nationally recognized goat breed organizations upon receipt of written request. The vote was called and the motion carried. Mr. Shurley will keep ABGA informed on those organizations that desire such an exchange.

Convention Committee Chair Annette Maze reported that the convention questionnaire was published in the last issue of BGI.

There were no reports from Convention Exhibits, Corporate Oversight, Ennobled Herd Book.

The **Ad hoc Committee to Develop Criteria for Judges and Inspector** presented the committee's recommendations for the pass fail mark for the recently held Inspector's and Judges Training Courses. A motion was made and seconded to accept the committee's recommendation, item # 1, for the pass/fail mark for the judges and inspectors training course; and that is: Pass with a 60% in each category, and no less than 70% total average. After discussion, the vote was called and the motion carried.

Finance Committee Chair Sharon Holman reported on the Request for Proposals for Software Development and Management Services. Motion was made and seconded to call a special Board meeting, November 15, 1996, 5:30 P.M., Fredericksburg, Texas, for the purpose of reviewing the proposals submitted. The vote was called and the motion carried.

Membership Committee Chair Russ Cooper reported that the committee has done significant work on regionalization. The map with divisions is attached to these minutes. The committee proposes the division of the US, Canada and Mexico into the following responsibilities: Regions 1, 2 and 4: Russ Cooper; Regions 3, 5 and 6: Bob Hoyland; and regions 7 and 8: Lou Nuti. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee's recommendations. The vote was called and the motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to implement the changes by forwarding the request to the Bylaws Committee. The vote was called and the motion carried. Motion was made and seconded to approve the following individuals to serve on the Bylaws Committee: George Cunningham, Mike Masters, Co-chair, Lynn Farmer, Gay Fowler, Co-Chair. The vote was called and the motion carried.

Registry Committee Chair Don Jackman requested that a letter be sent to John Edwards as is stipulated in Article II, Section 4, giving the Board of Directors the opportunity to conduct a hearing. Motion was made and seconded that ABGA send Mr. John Edwards a letter fourteen days before the next regular meeting stating that the Board of Directors is considering possible disciplinary action against Mr. Edwards for purportedly selling semen, for which he has no bill of sale and does not own. The vote was called and the motion carried.

Sanctioned Show Committee Regarding the Premium listing for the San Antonio Live Stock Show Executive Director Wilson requested approval of the San Antonio Livestock Boer Goat Show as a Sanctioned Show. Motion was made and seconded to approve the San Antonio

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Boer Goat Show as a Sanctioned Show. It was noted that the funds listed in the Premium Book were available from the 1996 Show. The vote was called and the motion carried.

1997 National Show Committee: Motion was made and seconded to approve the following as members of the 1997 National Show Committee: Rena Lynch, Becky Sauder, Tim Whatley, Sissy Simpton, Annette Maze, Russell Cooper, Rick Lacy, Mike Masters, Jan Carlson, George Cunningham. The vote was called and the committee was approved. In addition motion was made and seconded to ask the above listed members to serve as the Show Rule Committee. Note: Add to November agenda: Show computer support; Judge selection, show rules.

The **Jr. ABGA**, Leader Kathy Kohls has requested a change on the signature card for the Jr. checking account. Motion was made and seconded to allow the Jr. ABGA to change the signatures on their check signing card. The vote was called and the motion carried.

New Business

Membership Committee Chair Russ Cooper read the letter from Harriet Morley, requesting consideration to host the 1998 Annual Convention in Washington State. Motion was made and seconded to consider a bid to host the 1998 Annual Convention in Washington State. After discussion the vote was called and the motion carried.

Director Mike Masters presented the request by the Jr. ABGA to use the official buck trophy for Jr. ABGA functions. The Board consensus was to reserve the trophy for the National or Sanctioned shows.

Director Whitehead requested consideration regarding a proposal concerning missed meetings. Motion was made and seconded "That a Board member shall have the privilege of missing three (3) meetings in a twelve (12) month period. At the fourth missed meeting, the Board of Directors, (lacking reasonable excuse) will remove and replace this director. This action to begin immediately." After discussion, the vote was taken by roll call. Voting Yes: Walter Pope, T. E. Beck, W. E. Whitehead, (with proxy for Lynn Farmer), Mike Masters, Sharon Holman, (with proxies for Mike Jernigan and Allen Lynch). Voting No: George Cunningham, Lou Nuti, Annette Maze, (with proxy for Don Smith). Yes: 8, No: 4. The motion carried.

Executive Director Wilson had no additional information to add to her written report.

Motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing a complaint involving a member and the State Fair of Texas. The vote was called and the motion carried. The Board instructed that the item should be placed on the November 23, 1996, meeting agenda and the member should be notified regarding that meeting. Motion was made and seconded to end the Session. The vote was called and the motion carried.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linnelle Wilson

Approved: _____