Meeting called to order at 7:00PM CST by President Cindy Westfall

1. Roll Call

Present:
- Terry Brown
- Scott Pruett
- Lee Dana
- JR Patterson
- Joe Airoso
- Dawn Steward
- Shon Callahan
- Vicki Stich
- Tracy Diefenbach
- Janis Wesson
- Brad Mackey
- Cindy Westfall
- Susan Burner
- Sara Davis

Also Present:
- Lary Duncan
- Mary Ellen Villarreal

Not Present:
- Paul Grafe
- Brant Knotts

2. National Show

Lary Duncan reports on the status of live broadcasting bids. All bids returned were approximately twice the budgeted amount. Discussion was held regarding the number of members who accessed the 2015 ABGA National Show live broadcast at some point during the show. Discussion was held regarding the possible alternative of purchasing the required equipment and software to broadcast the show ourselves.

Motion by Brad Mackey to eliminate the live broadcast at the 2016 National Show. Second to motion by JR Patterson. Voice vote. Motion passes.

Efforts will be made to post pictures and results to the ABGA Facebook page in a timely fashion in lieu of having a live broadcast at the 2016 ABGA National Show.

The Board was provided with an update on current income and expenses for the National Show versus budget. The printed program was discussed and Dawn advised that ads are due by May 16 to be included in the program.

Mary Ellen provided an update on the National Show entry numbers. As of this meeting, the office has received 324 open entries and 106 JABGA entries.

Discussion was held regarding the JABGA National Show. Pit Kemmer has been secured as the auctioneer for the JABGA Fundraising Auction. Silent auction donations are coming in, and many are expected to be received up until the day before the event. Two JABGA board members’ expenses will be paid in exchange for volunteering their time to assist with the show.
Discussion was held regarding the results of the test show as a trial run for the place card system to be implemented for the 2016 ABGA National Show. Feedback received was that the system worked smoothly, and the judges and exhibitors were overall supportive and positive about the process. Individual placings from each of the three National Show judges will be announced, with the final lineup being a calculated placement based on the aggregate score of the three judges’ placings.

Motion by Brad Mackey to implement the place card system for the 2016 ABGA National Show. Second to motion by JR Patterson. Voice vote. Motion passes.

Directive to Tracy Diefenbach to provide the Board with the final protocol for the place card system.

Discussion held regarding the judge’s continuing education program to be held at the 2016 ABGA National Show. The program will be in a round table discussion format and will be held at the conclusion of the show on June 7th. The agenda and information will go out to all ABGA judge’s this week, with a copy also provided to the Board.

3. Boer Goat Youth Foundation of America

   Board of Directors enter executive session at 7:58PM to discuss the Boer Goat Youth Foundation of America.
   Board of Directors exit executive session at 8:44PM.

4. JABGA Regional Shows

   Motion by Joe Airoso to sponsor one additional JABGA Regional Show in Area 1 at the “49er Boer Goat Show” for 2016 only. Second to motion by Dawn Steward. Voice vote. Motion fails.

   The 49er Boer Goat Show may apply for consideration to be approved as a JABGA Regional Show in 2017.

5. DNA

   The Board discussed the status of the DNA program, including participation levels and impact on registration numbers since the program was implemented. The Board directed the Breed Improvement Committee to meet and make a recommendation for the future of the program before the May 31st Board of Director’s Conference Call Meeting.

6. Approval of Minutes Previously Approved via Email

   Approval of minutes done via email need to be formally approved during a conference call or face to face meeting.
Motion by Dawn Steward to approve the Board of Director’s meeting minutes from 9/18/2015, 12/11/2015, and 4/5/2016.
Second to motion by Sara Davis.
Voice vote. Motion Passes.

Due to insufficient Executive Committee members on the call, the 7/27/2015 Executive Committee meeting minutes will need to be approved at a future meeting.

7. Online Sale for Members

ABGA and Harvey Plus, LLC have partnered to provide ABGA members with an online selling format for their animals. Signup will be starting shortly, with the sale to be held 2-3 weeks after the National Show. Jill Harvey will be available to assist members during the National Show. The details should be finalized shortly and will be provided to post to the website and Facebook.

8. Other Items

Discussion held regarding the National Show Facebook group Dawn Steward has set up and is moderating. All are in agreement that it is a valuable resource and is a well-received tool to provide information to exhibitors.

9. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Janis Wesson.
Second to motion by Sara Davis.
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourns at 9:51PM.

Respectfully submitted
Sara Davis
Vice President
American Boer Goat Association