

ABGA Executive Committee Meeting

December 1, 2000 San Angelo, Texas

President David Carter called the meeting to order and called role. Those Committee Members present included: Daryle Coates, Sharon Holman, Matt Brown, Pete Warlick, Jerry Simpton and Mike Masters. Guests included Walter Pfluger (ABGA legal counsel), Mark Holman, Paula Harmon (ABGA Office Manager), and Bruce Lott (ABGA Executive Director).

Carter reported on the resignation of a staff member earlier that day.

Review Executive Director Contract

Carter introduced Walter Pfluger to review Lott's proposed employment contract.

Pfluger reviewed the statutes and legal aspects of a contract, and then noted the sections of the proposed contract where these apply. Carter led discussion on each section of the contract and various changes were made. These changes are reflected in the attached contract. **The committee accepted the contract and decided to have the President and Vice President sign the contract upon final review by the Board of Directors.**

Registered Agent of ABGA

It was noted that the registered agent was not changed after the resignation of Sue Kearney. **Coates moved to approve Lott as the registered agent for ABGA; Holman seconded; passed unanimously.**

Research Request from Langston University

Lott presented the request from Langston to perform inbreeding

calculations on the ABGA herdbook. The dataset would not be shared with any other entity and results would be available for review by ABGA prior to any publication. **Coates moved to send the ABGA animal dataset to Langston University pending a reinforcement of the “non-share” clause; Holman seconded; passed unanimously.**

2001 National Show

The official photographer was discussed. The two submitting bids were Barker and Whitty. **The item was tabled pending confirmation from the two on their charge to exhibitors for prints.**

Lott reported on the proposal from the Lawton facility to house the animals on a packed dirt floor instead of concrete covered with shavings. Shavings could still be used on the dirt. **The committee felt this would be much more comfortable for the animals and approved the idea.**

Masters reported that the South African Association should have their final list of possible judges sent to ABGA by December 11. This list should also include any fees associated with the use of the judges. **Masters will forward the list to all executive committee members as soon as he receives it so a decision can be made at the next executive committee meeting.**

Other Business

Coates reminded the office to make sure Bill Soltow was reimbursed for the additional expenses he incurred hosting the judge’s training school last year.

Lott reported on a request from Paulette Wohnoutka to put her buck-odor removing soap on the ABGA website. After discussing the possibilities of having advertisers on the website, the committee decided that a purchased ad would be the only avenue ABGA could afford to products other than the official ABGA items (caps, shirts, etc.)

Lott reviewed the current status and success of the online registrations via the ABGA website. He reported on a rise in the number of declined credit cards. **The committee instructed Harmon to investigate the cost and requirements to have immediate verification of credit card status when an**

online order is placed.

Harmon reported on the current status of the ABGA trusts. After discussion, **Simpton moved to combine some funds and purchase another \$100,000 trust with a maturity date that is staggered with those that already exists; Masters seconded; passed unanimously.**

Adjournment

Masters moved to adjourn; Warlick seconded; passed unanimously.

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