

ABGA Executive Committee Meeting

December 20, 2000 Conference Call

President David Carter called the meeting to order and called role. Those Committee Members present included: Daryle Coates, Sharon Holman, Matt Brown, and Pete Warlick. Guests included Bruce Lott (ABGA Executive Director).

Lott reported that Executive Committee member Jerry Simpton sent word that he would not be able to attend the meeting, but did send in his thoughts on some items. Lott would present those as the meeting progressed.

APPROVE MINUTES

After review, **Coates moved to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2000, meeting as presented; Brown seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

BUDGET REPORT

Lott reviewed the changes in the 2001 budget per the Board of Directors meeting of December 2, 2000. Those changes affected the expenses for payroll and judges schools/workshops items. Lott also noted there was a correction to the income item of membership renewals. **Brown moved to accept the 2001 budget as presented; Holman seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Carter reported the employment contract the committee members had reflected the requested changes from the December 1, 2000, meeting. He also noted that ABGA legal counsel Walter Pfluger had reviewed and written the sections of the contract. Lott reported that Simpton had given his approval in his submitted notes. **Coates moved to accept the contract as presented; Holman seconded; motion passed**

unanimously.

PHOTOGRAPHER FOR 2001 NATIONAL SHOW

Lott reviewed the bids from Barker and Whitty as they pertain to cost of photos to the exhibitors. After discussion of each photographer, **Holman moved to accept Whitty as the official photographer for the 2001 National Show; Brown seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

USDA -APHIS LETTER CONCERNING SCRAPIE PROGRAM

Lott reviewed the voluntary scrapie program guidelines as they pertain to unique tattooing systems. He reported several members had requested ABGA get authorization from USDA – APHIS for the uniqueness of the ABGA tattoo system per the rules of registration and ABGA willingness to participate with program administrators as needed. Brown asked if this had any effect on the other associations. Lott reported that the letter specifies this agreement is for ABGA. Lott also reported that Simpton had given his approval of the letter. **Coates moved to approve the letter; Holman seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

2001 NATIONAL SHOW SPONSORSHIP

Coates reported on the need to get a firm budget for the show in order to have a better idea of how much fund-raising is needed. He noted that he would work with Lott to get this budget together.

JUDGES COMMITTEE REPORT ON TRAINING SCHOOLS

Coates noted he had no report at this time. In order for him to get the details worked out, he had to know which South African judges were being used. He expected to start working on this as soon as the judge selection was finalized.

2001 NATIONAL SHOW JUDGES

It was noted that the selection of the American judge was already made (M.D. Shurley). The candidates as submitted by the South African association were discussed, as were the combinations of two. Lott reported Simpton's request for

judges. After each committee member gave their input on a tandem, **Coates moved to accept Lukas Berger and Louis van Rensberg as the South African judges; Brown seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Lott reported on the death of Marvin and Virginia Kohls earlier in the week. The committee directed him to make donations on behalf of ABGA to the Kendall County 4-H Club in Marvin's name (\$50) and to the Comfort Library in Virginia's name (\$50).

Lott reviewed the current office policy concerning Christmas and New Year. After discussion, **Coates moved to close the office on December 25 & 26, 2000, and January 1, 2001, paying staff for the December 25 and January 1 days; Brown seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

Carter notified the committee of the need for a refrigerator and microwave for the office. **Brown moved to purchase these items, with total price not to exceed \$350; Warlick seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

Carter reviewed the current payroll and noted a needed correction to the amount paid due to miscalculation early in the year. **Brown moved to pay corrected sum; Holman seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

Lott reported on an opportunity through Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) to have a "Goat Tasting" during the San Antonio Livestock Show on February 4, 2001. TDA officials would prepare the product and help ABGA representatives pass it out, hand out literature and answer questions. ABGA would also have the opportunity to present several (3-4) cooking method workshops in the same location during the day. Lott also reported on the additional chance to host a lunch in the International Room for their approximately 150 guests. The committee directed Coates and Lott to handle the arrangements for the TDA event, including procurement and possible purchase (if donations aren't available) of enough Fullblood wethers, feeding and harvesting, as well as other goat meat products they thought necessary. The committee also directed Lott to get more information concerning the International Room cooking facilities before a final determination was made

on that event.

Lott reported on a request received from the Fort Worth Livestock Show concerning sponsorship of their goat exhibitor reception. After discussion, the committee directed Lott to forward this information to that Region's Director (John Edwards) to see if he wanted to allocate funds from his budget to the event.

ADJOURNMENT

Coates moved to adjourn; Brown seconded; motion passed unanimously.

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