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# Minutes ABGA Board of Directors Meeting

July 31, 2001, Conference Call

President Pete Warlick called the meeting to order and called role. Those Board Members present included: Daryle Coates, Matt Brown, John Edwards, Tim Whatley, Patricia Parson, Jerri McDonald, Russ Cooper, Bob Duke, J.R. Patterson, David Carter, Susan Ballard-Cook and Joanne Miner. Guests included Dr. Reagor (TAMU Veterinary Diagnostic Lab), Paula Harmon (ABGA Office Manager) and Bruce Lott (ABGA Executive Director).

**APPROVE MINUTES** After review, **McDonald moved to approve the May 30 Board of Director minutes as presented; Patterson seconded; motion passed unanimously. DRUG TESTING FROM 2001 NATIONAL SHOW** Dr. Reagor reported the results of the testing done at the show. He recommended one of two options: 1. Send split samples to another lab for confirmation 2. The exhibitor send samples to a lab of ABGA's choice

It was noted that the split sample fee is typically \$200-500.

The identity of the owner/exhibitor was not revealed. The drug found (Banamine) and its possible uses were discussed. Reagor noted that regardless of extra-label uses, they must be prescribed by a licensed veterinarian to be valid.

**Coates moved to table the issue in order to allow ABGA's legal counsel to consult and recommend next actions; Duke seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

## **2001-2002 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Warlick reviewed his proposed committee appointments. After discussion of the sign-up process, **Coates moved not to accept the committees as presented since all ABGA members hadn't been given equal opportunity to sign up for the committee of their choice, except for those at the National Show or contacting Warlick via email; Whatley seconded.** Discussion followed about various ways to notify the members. **McDonald called the question; passed unanimously. Voting on the main motion then took place; Yes – Coates, Whatley, Cooper,**

**Duke, Carter; No – Edwards, Brown, Patterson, Parson, McDonald, Cook, Miner. Motion failed 7-5.**

**Edwards moved to accept the committees as presented with the knowledge that a committee signup request will be in the next issue of *The Boer Goat*, and with the ability for the committee chairpersons to add to the committee's at a later date; McDonald seconded. Discussion followed. McDonald called the question; passed unanimously; Voting on the main motion then took place; Yes – Edwards, Coates, Cooper, Duke, Brown, Patterson, Parson, McDonald, Carter, Cook, Miner; No – Whatley; motion passed 11-1.**

### **NEXT MEETING**

Warlick noted the need to have an in-person meeting soon in order to make the final selection of the 2002 National Show site. The first date that allowed most Board members to attend was September 15. With the selection of the National Show site pending, the possibility was discussed to select sites for the next 2-3 years. **Carter moved to name a National Show site selection committee; McDonald seconded; passed unanimously.**

### **ITEMS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS**

Parson reviewed the proposal for ABGA to exhibit at the Sunbelt Ag Expo in Moultrie, Ga. It was noted that Ft. Valley State University, the host of an ABGA approved gain test, would be conducting educational programs in the same area as the ABGA display and the animals we would have on display could be used in these for additional exposure. McDonald inquired about the Boer Goat 101 video and if it would be completed by this time. Edwards noted that he would get the slides to Lott in time for it to be finished by then. After discussion, **Parson moved that ABGA display at the Sunbelt Expo, with live animals, and have Lott and Parson attend; Carter seconded; passed unanimously.**

Coates reviewed the need for an appreciation dinner for the Board, committees, volunteers and platinum and gold sponsors at the 2001 National Show. **He moved to hold such a dinner in conjunction with the Board meeting on September 15; Brown seconded; passed unanimously.**

Parson questioned the reason for Lott's name to be listed on the ABGA website under the Board of Director's page. Lott reported that the Executive Director position, according to the bylaws, is an Officer and member of the Board, but it is a non-voting position. After discussion, **Parson moved to remove Lott's name from the Board member page; McDonald seconded; Yes – Edwards, Whatley, Cooper, Duke, Brown, Patterson; No – Coates, Carter, Cook, Miner; motion passed 6-4.**

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Lott reviewed the progress of the meal at the International Room at the 2002 Houston Livestock Show. **Coates moved to approve \$5000 to fund the project, to include securing the live**

**animals, feeding them, harvesting and preparing for meal; Cooper seconded; Yes – Coates, Whatley, Cooper; No – Edwards, Duke, Brown, Patterson, McDonald, Carter, Cook, Miner; motion failed 8-3. Coates was directed to investigate the costs and report at the next meeting with the final proposal of cost for approval.**

Lott reported on the current computer situation in the office, noting the age and problems that are starting to occur regularly. He felt the purchase of 4 new computers would replace the oldest equipment. **Patterson moved to purchase 4 computers; McDonald seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Patterson moved to adjourn; Cook seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

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