The meeting was called to order by President, Deric Wetherell at 7:01 pm CST on January 9, 2018.

Roll call was taken with 15 directors, the immediate past president, and 2 staff present.

Present:
Region 1 Kimberly Liefer
Region 3 Clark Huinker
Region 4 Jeremy Church
Region 5 Kenny Elwood
Region 6 Paul Grafe
Region 7 Dawn Steward
Region 8 Robert Washington
Region 9 Deric Wetherell
Region 10 Josh Stephens
Region 11 Jesse Cornelius
Region 12 Kim Morgan
Region 13 Kathy Daves-Carr
Region 14 Denise Crabtree
Region 15 Susan Burner
Region 16 Sara Davis

Immediate Past President Cindy Westfall

Staff: Mary Ellen Villarreal, Lary Duncan

Absent: Region 2 Scott Pruett

1. Minutes: Minutes from the December 8-9, 2017 conference call were approved via email on December 19, 2017.

2. Committee Updates:
   Breed Standards: Kathy Daves-Carr reviewed the suggestions from the committee, Comments and suggestions will go back to the Breed Standards committee for further review.
   
   Bylaws: Susan Burner reviewed suggestions received on changes for the bylaws. The committee will work on wording and changes and have ready for the face to face meeting.
   
   Judges: Jesse Cornelius moved to pass Phil Myers to a Level 1 judge and make it retroactive to December 8, 2017. Robert Washington seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.
   
   Discussion held on notification being sent to affected individuals when the board takes action that specifically affects them. Notification will be done by email as soon as possible after the meeting.
   
   Board enters closed session at 7:40 pm to discuss a judge not following protocol for inspections. Board exits closed session at 7:46 pm. Individual will be contacted with an update.
Public Relations: Clark Huinker reviewed suggestions for the website that include tattoo procedures, the current news section being outdated and the Resource section having outdated publications posted. The board directs Clark Huinker to continue updating the website.

Youth: Kathy Daves-Carr reported one JABGA Director failed to pay dues on time. The JABGA President is considering members to fill empty positions.

3. Board Meetings:
   Recording of Board Meetings: Dawn Steward brought the request forward. The board discussed the issue. No action taken.

   Board Expense Reports: Deric Wetherell reminded the board that the forms must be submitted according to the travel policy.

4. Shows:
   Regional Show Update: Cindy Westfall reported that judges are being selected for the regional shows. Show committees are completing details for their regions. She is contacting current sponsors to complete the donation process.

   Show Sanctioning Conflict with Regional: Dawn Steward presented concerns over sanctioning shows during the same weekend of a Regional Show. Discussion held on the 250-mile restriction for hosting ABGA shows on the same weekend as the regional show. A show application has been received for a JABGA show in Iowa.


5. Miscellaneous:
   ABGA Logo Gear: Cindy Westfall reported acquiring items with the logo for sale from a third-party vendor. Orders will be handled directly by the vendor.


   Barcodes on Certificates: Lary Duncan discussed the issues with putting the barcodes on certificates. It would allow quicker processing at the office and for shows. Lary Duncan will get a cost and return to the board for review.
Board enters closed session at 8:50 pm to discuss a member’s request for information. Board exits closed session at 8:57 pm. Lary Duncan will seek further input from the attorney.

Percentage Herdbook Rule: Kimberly Liefer requested clarification on the rules. The rules will be reviewed for additional changes needed.

900/901 filing: Susan Burner requested a time limit be put in place for filing a 900 or 901. Item referred to the bylaws committee for further review.

Use of the ABGA Logo: Mary Ellen Villarreal requested permission for a vendor to use the logo on items to sell at the National Show. Directive to allow the vendor to proceed.

Clark Huinker moved to adjourn the meeting. Josh Stephans seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Burner
Secretary