



American Boer Goat Association
Board of Directors
Conference Call Meeting
April 3, 2007
7:00 pm CST

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Tony Brazil.

Present:

Barney Fowler
Bronc Fleming
Bob Duke
Debra Borden
Carrie Boyer
Barry Watts
Greg Patterson
Robert Washington

Absent:

Judy Wolfe

Staff: Robert Swize

There was no old business

- II. The Board was advised that Director Mark Seawell had resigned his director's position in Region 18 effective March 30, 2007.

President Tony Brazil requested Board approval of his appointment of Brian Faris to serve the balance of Mark Seawell's term in Region 18.

Bob Duke moved to approve the appointment. Carrie Boyer second.

Roll Call Vote:

Barney Fowler	yes	David Edens	no
Bronc Fleming	yes	Mike Crum	no
Bob Duke	yes	John Jones	no
Carrie Boyer	yes	Debra Borden	yes
Barry Watts	no	Peggy Taylor	no
Troy Veal	no	Greg Patterson	no
Robert Washington	yes		

MOTION FAILED

- III. Approval of Minutes:

John Jones moved to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2007 Board of Directors Conference Call meeting. Peggy Taylor second.

Voice Vote

MOTION PASSED

Director Barry Watts abstained from the vote due to his not being involved in this meeting.

John Jones moved to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2007 Board of Directors Conference Call meeting. Robert Washington second.

Voice Vote

MOTION PASSED

Director Barry Watts abstained from this vote.

IV. Report from the Rules and Regulations Committee:

Director John Jones presented a report to the Board on the Rules and Regulations Committee's work on protocol for Artificial Insemination and DNA. The committee felt that these two areas were priority areas for ABGA. The committee also requested permission from the Board to meet with a committee from the International Boer Goat Association to discuss the possibility of a common policy standard in these two areas.

Robert Washington moved to approve the committee's recommendations and request subject to an opinion from Attorney Walter Pfluger in regard to any possible legal aspects.

Roll Call Vote - Unanimous Approval

MOTION PASSED

V. Report from the National Show Site Committee:

Director Greg Patterson presented a report to the Board on future National Show sites that have been suggested and the committee's continued work on specifics for the locations. Discussion from the Board provided some more details for the committee to involve in their work when investigating possible site locations. The following seven sites have been suggested as of this date:

San Angelo, TX	Tulsa, OK	Springfield, MO
Longmont, CO	Harrisburg, PA	Las Vegas, NV
West Monroe, LA		

VI. The Board tabled the Membership Satisfaction Survey Project until further cost evaluations are done.

VII. The Board reviewed a proposed support structure plan for performance gain test programs.

Bob Duke moved to formulate a support plan for performance gain test programs allowing \$300 for an approved program tied to a University and \$750 if a program follows a set ABGA standard with the projected start date of the program to be 2008. Robert Washington second.

Roll Call Vote - Unanimous Approval

MOTION PASSED

VIII. A request was received by ABGA for support from Dr. David Sparks of Oklahoma for a gain test program there.

Bob Duke moved to send support in the amount of \$300. David Edens second.

Roll Call Vote

Barney Fowler	No	Mike Crum	Yes
Bob Duke	Yes	John Jones	Yes
Debra Borden	Yes	Barry Watts	Yes
Carrie Boyer	Yes	Troy Veal	Yes
David Edens	Yes	Peggy Taylor	Yes
Robert Washington	Yes		
Greg Patterson	Yes		

MOTION PASSED

- IX. ABGA received a letter from Langston University requesting ABGA consider writing a letter in support of their goat research programs which are experiencing funding cuts.

The Board directed Executive Director Robert Swize to draft a letter supporting the goat research programs conducted by Langston University.

- X. Approval of 2007 Director Ballots:

Peggy Taylor moved that approval of director ballots be tabled until the Board has reviewed the application of each director candidate. David Edens second

Roll Call Vote - Unanimous Approval

MOTION PASSED

- XI. Peggy Taylor moved that the ballot return date for 2007 be extended to Monday, May 21, 2007 due to the May 20th date specified by the ABGA By-Laws falling on Sunday in 2007. John Jones second.

Voice Vote - Unanimous Approval

MOTION PASSED

- XII. Executive Director Robert Swize advised the Board in regard to pursuing a periodical mailing permit for the Boer Goat magazine. Due to some restrictions and paper work involved in securing this permit from the Postal Service the Board chose to table this issue until a future Board meeting when more time is available to examine it.

- XIII. Executive Director Robert Swize presented a report to the Board on the ABGA web site update which is in progress and software updates that will need to be done in the office to accommodate the restructuring of some of the ABGA On-Line programs and to allow for the JABGA show results to be posted on the web site. The web site will be changing domains and will require 24 hours to make this move. The move will be scheduled for a time when use is possibly at its' lightest. Estimated date of the move is April 21, 2007. Notification of details and time lines for the changes that will occur will be posted on the web site and through the ABGA e-mail newsletter.

- XIX. During discussion of pictures for the new web site it was suggested that members be solicited to submit pictures of their animals for possible use on the new ABGA web site. Details and rules for submission of pictures will be announced through the ABGA e-mail newsletter and in the Boer Goat magazine. A committee will be formed to select the pictures which will be used.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.