



**American Boer Goat Association
Board of Directors
Face to Face Meeting
April 4, 2009**

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00AM CST by President Troy Veal

Directors Present:

Troy Veal, President	John Edwards
Ann Giardini, Treasurer	Jamie Mitchell
Sara Davis, Secretary	Scott Wetzel
Terry Brown	Jan Smith
Ryan Kish	Joe Mueller
Brian Faris	John Morrow
Doug Widener	Tina Owens
Rhonda Edens	

Directors Absent:

Peggy Taylor, Vice President
Coni Ross
Chris Shaffett

Also present: Sandy Smith, Office Manager

- I. Old Business (continued from April 3, 2009)
 2. Rules & Regulations (continued from April 3, 2009)
 - a. The board continued review of the Rules & Regulations document.
 - b. Brian Faris moved to accept the revised Rules & Regulations, effective May 1, 2009. Ryan Kish seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED** with none opposed. Jamie Mitchell and Jan Smith abstained.
 3. National Show Ring Agreement
 - a. A copy of the National Show Ring Agreement was presented to the Board for review.
 - b. It is in the process of being signed by the Peterson family.
 4. National Show Question
 - a. A few sponsors have requested the option to purchase additional hospitality passes.
 - b. Rhonda Edens moved that ABGA offer additional hospitality passes to sponsors at a rate of \$125 for the week of Nationals. Ann Giardini seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED** with none opposed.
- II. New Business
 1. Office Manager's Report
 - c. Sandy Smith gave the Board a report on the operations of the office as well as a review of the Financial Report.
 2. Board Travel Expenses
 - d. The Board reviewed and revised the ABGA Travel Policy #07080501.
 - e. Joe Mueller moved that ABGA adopt the revised travel policy, effective May 1, 2009, to supersede any other travel policy(s) currently in effect.

- Brian Faris seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED** with none opposed.
3. National Show Site Committee Report
 - a. Scott Wetzel presented competitive bids from several potential National Show Sites, including:
 - i. Kentucky Expo Center in Louisville, Kentucky
 - ii. Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, Missouri
 - iii. Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln, Nebraska
 - iv. Ohio Expo Center in Columbus, Ohio
 - v. Ike Hamilton in West Monroe, Louisiana
 - vi. Tulsa Expo Square in Tulsa, Oklahoma
 - b. The Board discussed the significantly more competitive bid offered by the KY Expo Center over previous years as well as the facilities and health requirements of all locations.
 - c. It was the recommendation of the National Show Site Committee to contract with the Kentucky Expo Center in Louisville, Kentucky for the 2010 National Show.
 - d. Sara Davis moved to Contract with the Kentucky Expo Center for the 2010 ABGA National Show, based on the bid presented. Joe Mueller seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED** with 8 in favor and 3 opposed.
 - e. John Edwards moved to Contact Ike Hamilton to carry the 2010 bid forward to 2011. If this is agreeable, ABGA will contract with Ike Hamilton for the 2011 ABGA National Show. Ann Giardini seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED** with 9 in favor and 3 opposed.
 4. 2009 National Show Drug Testing Policy
 - a. The National Show Committee provided a preliminary proposal for drug testing at the 2009 National Show.
 - b. The Board reviewed the proposal and directed the Committee to continue research and come back to the Board with a finalized proposal.
 5. Retiring Directors' Recognition
 - a. The awards for retiring directors are handled by the ABGA office with some weight given to the length of service the Director has given to the association.
 6. Judge's Certification Presentation Review
 - a. John Edwards provided the Board with an informal presentation of the program that is used to train ABGA Judges.
 - b. Some discussion took place regarding the need to modify the Breed Standards to reflect the elimination of any color being given preference in the show ring.
 - c. Similarly, the Inspection process will no longer include the designation of either Traditional or Non-Traditional, simply PASS or FAIL, with no regard to the coloration of the animal.
 - d. It was recommended that information provided to ABGA judges also be made available to members through the ABGA website. The office will work with John Edwards to post the information on the website.

The Board recessed for the evening at 7:05PM CST