The meeting was called to order by President John Jones

Present:

Jan Carlson  Troy Veal
Carrie Boyer  John Morrow
Jamie Mitchell  Coni Ross
Debra Borden  Peggy Taylor
Tony Brazil

Staff: Robert Swize

The Board went into executive session to clarify a discussion held during a previous executive session regarding agenda item #3 for the April 15, 2008, Board of Directors meeting.

The Board came out of executive session and entered into open discussion on Agenda Item 3. After discussion the following action was taken:

Peggy Taylor moved to dismiss the issue of disciplinary action against Coni Ross. Jamie Mitchell second.

Roll Call Vote

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MOTION PASSED with a vote of 6 in favor, 1 against, and 2 abstentions

The following personal statement from Director Deb Borden is placed in the minutes at her request:

**STATEMENT:**

When an individual files a nomination form for region director, he or she must sign a "Certification of Applicant" form, which in part reads"

"If elected to the Board of ABGA Directors, I will act at all times in an honorable, ethical and legal manner in all of my dealings with the public. I will support at all times the honest and truthful promotion of the Boer Goat industry. I will restrain from using unfair, dishonest or unethical means to win advancement for myself, business associates or friends. I will"
at all times support the registry, and promote the exchange of general useful information. I will comply with applicable governmental regulations.”

A director on this board, without remorse or apology, admits to public actions derogatory in nature to an individual member and other directors of this organization on two distinct occasions. These actions clearly violate the above certification. Most disconcerting is that enough directors to block the requirement of a 2/3rds vote refuse to sanction said director, which is removal from the board – the only sanction allowed by our bylaws.

To that extent, I personally apologize to those targeted individuals for their public humiliation, potentially harmful effects to their reputation and the stress and embarrassment caused to their family members.

Debra K. Borden
Director, Region 17

III. Peggy Taylor moved to approve the ballots for the 2008 director elections with the notation to be added to the ballot that further biographical information on each candidate can be found on the ABGA web site. Jamie Mitchell second.

Voice Vote
MOTION PASSED Unanimously

IV. Director Candidate Biographical Information for Web Site:
After discussion of this issue the following action was taken:

Troy Veal moved to approve placing the biographical information of director candidates on the ABGA web site provided the candidate has the option to agree or not with their information being listed. Peggy Taylor second.

Voice Vote
MOTION PASSED Unanimously

V. ABGA Business Contracts:

1. Month to Month contract with Texana Security for the security of the ABGA Offices (alarms, etc).
   Coni Ross moved to approve this contract through San Angelo Security Services. John Morrow second
   Voice Vote
   MOTION PASSED Unanimously

2. Contract for IT Services;
   Based upon rising rates for service from CalTech and a proposal to provide services submitted by NewQuest (located in the same building as ABGA)
   Jamie Mitchell moved to switch from CalTech to NewQuest for IT services.
   John Morrow second.
   Voice Vote
   MOTION PASSED Unanimously

3. Merchant services for the ABGA credit and debit card accounts:
   After consideration of a proposal presented from Banc Certified Merchant Services the Board directed the Executive Director to request contract information to be brought back to the Board at a future meeting.

VI. The Board was called back into executive session for a discussion regarding an office Personnel item.
The Board came out of executive session.  
The Board determined that further information was required.

VII.  Draft Document for the Code of Conduct and Ethics:  
The Board discussed this document and reviewed suggestions made by the attorney for this document.  No action was taken as the legal review is not complete.

VIII.  Motion to re-seat all directors automatically removed by the by-laws for non payment of dues on January 1, 2008:  

Jamie Mitchell moved that, recognizing the attorney’s opinion that although none of those directors that paid their dues after Dec 31st have a right to remain on the board that they, upon payment of their dues, are qualified for appointment to the board as regular members from their region and also recognizing that a portion of the membership is in favor of the appointment of those same directors, the board recommends that, with the exception of region 14 in which the attorney has clearly indicated can no longer have two directors, the president reappoint those members to their previous board positions.  
Carrie Boyer second.  

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IX.  Appointment of Candidates to fill vacant Director positions for Regions 4, 5, 10, 11, 14, and 18:  

Region 4:  Appointee: Rhonda Edens  
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Region 4 appointment fails by a vote of 5 to 4

Region 5:  Appointee: Douglas Widener  
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Region 5 appointment fails by a vote of 5 to 4
Region 10: Appointee: Ann Giardini
Roll Call Vote:
Troy Veal    Yes  Jamie Mitchell  No
Carrie Boyer  No  Debra Borden  No
Tony Brazil   No  Jan Carlson   No
Peggy Taylor Yes  John Morrow   Yes
Coni Ross    Yes
Region 5 appointment fails by a vote of 5 to 4

Region 11: Appointee: Scott Wetzel
Roll Call Vote:
Troy Veal    No  Jamie Mitchell  No
Carrie Boyer  No  Debra Borden  No
Tony Brazil   No  Jan Carlson   No
Peggy Taylor No  John Morrow  No
Coni Ross    No
Region 11 appointment fails by a vote of 9 to 0

Region 14: Appointee: Joe Mueller
Roll Call Vote:
Troy Veal    No  Jamie Mitchell  No
Carrie Boyer  No  Debra Borden  No
Tony Brazil   No  Jan Carlson   No
Peggy Taylor No  John Morrow  No
Coni Ross    Abstained
Director Ross abstained from this vote as Mr. Mueller was a member of a committee for which she was the Chair.
Region 14 appointment fails by a vote of 8 to 0 with one abstention

Region 18 Appointee: Tina Owens (the only removed director that is Un-opposed for re-election):
Roll Call Vote:
Troy Veal    Yes  Jamie Mitchell  No
Carrie Boyer  No  Debra Borden  No
Tony Brazil   No  John Morrow   Yes
Peggy Taylor Yes  Jan Carlson   No
Coni Ross    Yes
The appointment for Region 18 fails on a vote of 5 to 4

X. Rule Change Approval: Previously approved by the Board to be submitted for final approval in written form:
in order to insure the unique tattoo sequence required by ABGA within its’ registry all animals coming into the registry from other associations are to abide by the new rule, Under General Rules and Regulations:

Rule C. Section 4 (a): to read:
Animals submitted for transfer (non-ABGA registered animals) into the ABGA listing a tattoo sequence already assigned within the ABGA registry will require the following:
1. The submitting owner of the animals will be required to re-tattoo the animals right ear with their own ABGA assigned prefix.
2. The registration certificate will reflect the animal has been re-tattooed.
Troy Veal moved to accept the rule as stated above. Coni Ross second
Voice Vote
MOTION PASSED Unanimously

This rule adoption is to be placed on the ABGA web site, in the ABGA magazine, and placed in all membership packets.

XI. Show Point Report:
Sanctioned Show Chairpersons Tina Owens and Vicky Wetzel were present for this report and discussion.

This discussion was in regard to the implementation of the new point system which was approved by the full board in May of 2007 and placed into effect on January 1, 2008. It is the determination of the Board that the new point system (approved by the full board in May of 2007) is in effect and is to be applied by the office to all ABGA shows effective January 1, 2008. The Board recognizes that it will take some time for shows classified as “majors” to come into compliance with the complete range of division championships. These shows are being encouraged to do so at the earliest time possible. Until such time as this can be achieved, points awarded to division champions will be awarded based upon the division championships offered by said show. Stand alone shows are required to follow the standardized classes as set forth by ABGA. The Board recommended that there be a notation on the sanctioned show application, as well as noted throughout the sanctioned show packet, whereby management of these shows agree to follow the standardized classes and recognize that failure to do so could result in possible loss of sanctioning.

XII. Future Judge’s Certification Course:
The Board, after discussion, determined to postpone having another Judges Certification until a more appropriate time in the future. The Executive Director was directed to refund any monies pre-paid by entrants and note to each that they will be awarded priority placement in the next available certification course.

XIII. Employee Training Course
The Executive Director recommended that two supervisory employees of ABGA attend the 12 week Dale Carnegie Course for advanced training and education. This course is offered on a limited schedule and opportunity to attend is not frequently available. The cost to ABGA will be about $3,500.00. Some of the funds are already available in the employee education budget.
Debra Borden moved to approve sending the two employees. Jan Carlson second.
Voice Vote
MOTION PASSED Unanimously

IX. Policy for Resolving Election Disputes:
The Board discussed drafting a needed policy for handling any controversy that might arise from a close or contested election of a director.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.