American Boer Goat Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Homewood Suites  
Lewisville, TX  
August 3, 2008  
8:00 am

The meeting was called to order by President John Jones

Present:
Troy Veal  Coni Ross  Tony Brazil  
Joe Mueller  Sara Davis  Jamie Mitchell  
Brian Faris  Tina Owens  
Chris Shaffett  Ann Giardini  
Scott Wetzel  Barry Watts  
John Morrow  Doug Widener  
Rhonda Edens  Peggy Taylor

Absent:  

Staff:  Sherrie Cook, ABGA Accounting Supervisor  
        Julie Eikenbary, ABGA Registration Supervisor

Guests:  David Edens

Agenda:

I.  Research  
The Board received a report on the CL research project for which ABGA had  
provided the base funding.  Dr. Kevin Washburn (TAMU) reports the project has been  
completed and the results will be available to ABGA in the near future.

II. Industry Relations:  
The ABGA Board of Directors has been approached by ASI to spearhead a project  
to form an American Goat Federation under the umbrella of the American Sheep Industry (ASI).  
This group (AGF) would work within the political and lobby arena for the benefit of the goat industry.

        Ann Giardini moved that an amount of not more than $2500.00 be approved to fund a  
preliminary study proposal with mission statement to be brought back to the ABGA  
Board for review and possible approval toward the formation of the American Goat Federation.  
Troy Veal second

        Voice Vote  

        MOTION PASSED

III. Terminal Market Classes:  
There was discussion regarding the feasibility of developing terminal market classes.

        Rhonda Edens moved to have Joe Mueller form a feasibility plan for doing a  
Terminal Class in conjunction with the National Show.  John Morrow second.

        Voice Vote  

        MOTION PASSED

IV. Sire of Merit Award Program:

        Full blood or American Purebred bucks may earn this recognition through points
earned by their percentage female offspring but also would include points earned by percentage male offspring through ABGA approved Gain Test Programs. It is structured similar to the Percentage Doe of Excellence Award. It was approved by full board last year but funding has been waiting for software updates to be done in the office.

Coni Ross moved to fund the Sire of Merit Award. Doug Widener second

Voice Vote  **MOTION PASSED**

John Morrow moved that points for the program be retroactive back to January 1, 2008, when it was originally slated to start. Brian Faris second.

Voice Vote  **MOTION PASSED**

V. General Discussion :
   A few minutes were spent in informal general discussion of issues that are occurring within the industry.

There being no further business,

Troy Veal moved to adjourn

The meeting adjourned.