



ABGA Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday August 6, 2005
Texas A & M Research Center
San Angelo, TX
8:00 a.m.

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Duke.

Directors Present:

John Edwards
Carrie Boyer
Judy Wolfe
Mark Seawell
Troy Veal
Robert Washington
David Edens
Peggy Taylor
Tony Brazil
Deb Borden
Bronc Fleming

Absent:

Richard Parmer
Pete Warlick
Joe Wiley
Barney Fowler
David Carter
Mike Borsch

Staff: Robert Swize

- II. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Peggy Taylor moved to accept the minutes from the March 29, 2005 Conference Call Board of Directors Meeting with the correction that David Edens came on the call late and was in attendance. Judy Wolfe second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

Carrie Boyer moved to accept the minutes of the March 31, 2005 Conference Call Board of Directors Meeting. David Edens second.
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

Robert Washington moved to accept the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2005. Bronc Fleming second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

Robert Washington moved to accept the Minutes of the General Membership Meeting of June 10, 2005 with the following correction:
Addition to the Minutes: "A report of the JABGA program with recognition of the JABGA Officers and scholarships awarded was presented by Robert Washington"
Deb Borden second with correction as noted.
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- III. Executive Director Robert Swize presented an overview report of the financial status of ABGA. Director Tony Brazil suggested that ABGA look at using the accrual method of accounting for the National Show in order to produce a more complete financial picture during the entire year.
- IV. The Strategic Plan outline was reviewed. Committee assignments, suggestions, and additions were discussed, outlined and added as needed to this outline.
- V. Committee Assignments and Directives for 2005/2006 were reviewed. The Document Review Committee requested funding, not to exceed \$5000.00, to hire a technical writer to draw all the documents together. Deb Borden moved to approve the request. John Edwards second.
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

The Board adjourned to allow the Executive Committee to meet on the issue of the 2005 Premier Exhibitor Award.

Board re-convened after lunch.

- VI. President Duke advised the Board of the Executive Committee meeting and its proceedings on the 2005 Premier Exhibitors Award plus the rule changes to be made for the National Show. A letter from Ms. Sharon Holman to the Executive Committee on the issue was read to the Board by President Duke.

The Board continued its review of the Committees and the directives to those committees.

- VII. John Edwards moved to allocate \$5000.00 in funds to help the Youth Task Force Committee pay travel expenses for committee members. Bronc Fleming second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- VIII. The dates for the 2006 National Show in West Monroe, Louisiana, will be Tuesday June 13, 2006 through Saturday June 17, 2006.

- IX. The Board reviewed the Judges Rules for the National Show. The following were approved:

1. There will be a minimum of 2 American Judges
2. The third judge can be either American or South African
3. Judges of the National Show the prior year are not eligible to judge the National Show the following year (example: 2005 judges are not eligible for 2006, etc.)
4. Judges will be requested to talk reasons through at least 10th place in a class.

After discussion the Board of Directors decided that the voting process for the National Show Judges will be restricted to the adult membership who have paid entries in the National Show for either of the previous two years.

Robert Washington moved to rescind the former motion that restricted paying travel expenses for a South African judge prior to their arrival in the United States. Judy Wolfe second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

John Edwards moved that ABGA pay all travel expenses round trip from South Africa to the National Show site plus \$100.00 a day per diem for the duration of quarantine. ABGA will provide the hotel accommodations, reimburse for meals, and other appropriate expenses through the completion of the National Show. Robert Washington second.
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- X. Robert Swize presented 2 requests for ABGA sanction shows from an ABGA member/show promoter. He advised the Board of complaints against the individual requesting sanctioning of the two shows. After discussion, the Board decided to withhold sanction of these shows until those complaints have been addressed and resolved. Deb Borden moved that the letters of complaint against the individual requesting sanctioning be sent to the Sanction Show Committee for review and recommendation. Bronc Fleming second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
- XI. The Board of Directors authorized support of \$1000.00 for the World Famous Goat Cook-Off Championship held in Brady, Texas on Labor Day week-end.
- XII. A request from the Houston Livestock Show for support money for the new Youth Show that will be added to that show was discussed. The Board authorized \$500.00 as support since the Youth Show will be open to all JABGA members.
- XIII. Robert Swize, Carrie Boyer, and Robert Washington visited with and interviewed a prospective applicant for the Youth Director position with ABGA.
- XIV. The Board authorized funding, not to exceed \$7000.00, for modular office furniture to expand office work space in order to accommodate the growth in office staff.
- XV. Deb Borden moved that ABGA reimburse Robert Swize for his out of pocket expenses for computer consultant work in the office. Judy Wolfe second
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
- XVI. A letter from an exhibitor at the ABGA sanctioned NETGRA July 30, 2005 show protesting the behavior of another exhibitor was presented to the Board. Legal counsel advised that the situation was not an ABGA issue but rather a personal business altercation.

Robert Washington moved to adjourn. Bronc Fleming second. Meeting Adjourned.