



American Boer Goat Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 6, 2008
Visitors Center
San Angelo, TX
8:00 am

The meeting was called to order by President Troy Veal

Present:

Brian Faris
Joe Mueller
Jamie Mitchell
Scott Wetzel
Ryan Kish
Chris Shaffett
Doug Widener
John Morrow

Terry Brown
Sara Davis
Ann Giardini
Coni Ross
Rhonda Edens
Peggy Taylor
John Edwards

Absent:

Tina Owens

Staff: Sandy Smith, ABGA Office Manager

Visitors: Kim Veal Kallie York
Cindy Dusek Dawn Foster

AGENDA:

- I. Approval of Minutes:
John Morrow moved to approve the BOD meeting minutes of November 4, 2008
Sara Davis second.
Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
- II. Sanctioned Show Software Program:
Office Manager Sandy Smith presented a proposal from EDJE Technologies for a software program that would allow sanctioned show secretaries to upload sanctioned show results directly to the ABGA office. The Board requested further information about the structure of the software program prior to taking any action on the item.
- III. Sanctioned Show Support:
Treasurer Ann Giardini reported on the amount of money ABGA is spending on support for sanctioned shows. The number of ABGA sanctioned shows has grown from about 130 shows in 2005 to over 270 shows for 2008. Cash support for shows in 2007 was about \$80,000.00 plus the cost of ribbon package support values of about \$22,000.00.

After discussion of the show growth and the cost continuing to rise in spite of the structured phase out of cash support already in place as well as the economic outlook The following action was taken:

Ann Giardini moved to cease cash support, effective December 6, 2008, for all sanctioned shows excluding shows classified as "majors" and any previously approved shows already in the office. John Morrow second.

John Morrow moved to amend the previous motion to honor any show application received in the office prior to December 6, 2008. Peggy Taylor second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

Vote on the Amended Motion

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

ABGA will continue to provide ribbon packages for the sanctioned shows.

IV. ABGA Office Space:
After discussion the Board took no action on this item.

V. Magazine in Tractor Supply Stores:
After discussion of sale results for "The Boer Goat" including the cost involved to place the magazine in the stores the following action was taken:

John Edwards moved to discontinue shipping "The Boer Goat" to the Tractor Supply Stores. Terry Brown second.

Jamie Mitchell moved to amend the previous motion to also terminate the contract between ABGA and Retailvision at the earliest possible date. Brian Faris second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

Vote on the Amended Motion

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

VI. ABGA Market Director Position:
The Board discussed the feasibility of hiring a person for this position considering the current economic situation at this time.

Peggy Taylor moved to table the hiring of an ABGA Marketing Director at this time and form a "Marketing and Advertising Committee" to investigate avenues of marketing for ABGA. Jamie Mitchell second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

VII. ABGA Youth Director Position:
After Board discussion of hiring another ABGA Youth Director and in consideration of the work Director Rhonda Edens is doing with the Youth Committee the following action was taken:

Coni Ross moved to table hiring a JABGA Youth Director at this time. Ann Giardini second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

VIII. ABGA National Show Announcer:
Chris Shaffett advised the board that Roddy Poole has offered to donate his time as National Show Announcer.

Sara Davis moved to accept Roddy Poole's offer and that he be approved as announcer for the ABGA National Show in 2008. John Morrow second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

ABGA will furnish accommodations and hospitality room passes to Mr. Poole.

- IX. National Show Report:
1. Show Superintendents and Ring Man for 2008:
Sara Davis moved to pay these individuals \$500.00 each plus expenses for the National Show. John Morrow second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
2. Broadcast The 2008 National Show over the Internet:
Brian Faris moved to budget \$2,500.00 plus expenses to broadcast the 2008 National Show over the internet. Sara Davis second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
3. Chris Shaffett moved to budget \$500.00 for a new system using "clickers" by which the National Show judges could indicate their opinion of an animal during the initial culling sequence for classes Doug Widener second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION FAILED**
4. National Sale at the National Show:
Brian Faris moved to budget \$3,500.00 on a new line item of the budget for the possibility of a National Show Sale. Doug Widener second,
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
5. Fundraising Night at the National Show:
Chris Shaffett moved to budget \$200.00 for supplies to have a bingo fund raising event at the National Show. John Morrow second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
6. Goat Meat Buffet at the National Show:
Chris Shaffett moved to budget \$2,000.00 to purchase, process, and cook several wethers for a promotional goat buffet at the National Show. Ann Giardini second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION FAILED**
- X. National Show Photographer:
After some discussion, the board took no action on this item.
- XI. Junior National Show Premiums:
Brian Faris moved that the JABGA be responsible for paying the show premiums of the JABGA National show for the next fiscal year. Coni Ross second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
- XII. JABGA National Show Entry Fees:
Rhonda Edens moved that JABGA receive the entry fees for the JABGA National Show. Coni Ross second.
- Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**
- XIII. JABGA Fund Raiser Match Overpayment:
Brian Faris moved to allow the match overpayment to remain in the JABGA account and that effective December 6, 2008, future fund matches be up to the budgeted amount. Ryan Kish second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- XIV. ABGA Budget Items:
1. Jamie Mitchell moved to open a re-purchase account at Wells Fargo Bank for ABGA funds. Peggy Taylor second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

2. Ryan Kish moved to approve the proposal for the ILR2 upgrade to the ABGA software which will provide for smoother reporting of the National Show results from the show site at the proposed cost of \$2,500.00. Ann Giardini second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

3. ABGA Cash Support for the "Major" Shows:
John Edwards moved to offer support to shows classified as "majors" on the following scale:

- A. "Major" shows with entries of 200 plus animals.....\$1000.00
- B. "Major" shows with entries of 150 to 199 animals.... \$750.00
- C. "Major" shows with entries of 149 animals or less.....\$500.00

Brian Faris second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- XV. ABGA 2009 Budget:
John Morrow moved to approve the balanced budget for 2009.
John Edwards second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

- XVI. Election of ABGA Vice President:
Four current directors of ABGA are eligible, according to ABGA By-Laws, for this Position: Coni Ross, John Morrow, Jamie Mitchell and Peggy Taylor.

Coni Ross declined to be considered for this position.

Nominations for Vice President are:

- 1. Jamie Mitchell
- 2. Peggy Taylor

John Morrow moved that nominations cease. Scott Wetzel second.

Peggy Taylor was elected ABGA Vice President by secret ballot.

- XVII. Election of ABGA Secretary:
Upon the election of Peggy Taylor, ABGA Secretary, to the position of ABGA Vice President the position of ABGA Secretary became vacant.

Sara Davis was nominated for ABGA Secretary

Ann Giardini moved that nominations cease. Terry Brown second.

Sara Davis was elected ABGA Secretary.

XVIII. Appointment of ABGA Region 12 Director:
President Troy Veal presented Jan Smith for appointment as ABGA Director for Region 12.

Coni Ross moved to approved Jan Smith as Director for Region 12.
John Edwards second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

The Board recessed at this time until 8AM, Sunday, December 7, 2008.