American Boer Goat Association
Board of Directors Meeting
January 29, 2005
Fairfield Inn & Suites
Grapevine, TX
8:00 am

Meeting was called to order by President Bob Duke

I. Roll Call

Present:     Absent:
Peggy Taylor     David Carter
Judy Wolfe     Mike Borsch
John Edwards     Richard Parmer
Joe Wiley     Pete Warlick
Carrie Boyer
Norman Kohls     Staff:
Ken Longnecker     Robert Swize
Robert Washington
Barney Fowler
Brent Gaspard
Troy Veal
David Edens
Mark Seawell
Bob Duke

II. Minutes from the Board of Directors meeting of 12/11/04 were read.
Judy Wolfe moved to accept. John Edwards second
Voice vote

MOTION PASSED

III. Robert Swize discussed the 2004 year end Balance sheet as well as the
Profit and Loss statement for the Association. The statistics reflected a
positive year for ABGA in 2004.

IV. Discussion was held to formulate a strategic plan for ABGA with both
Short term and long term goals in mind. This plan will be placed on the
ABGA web site when implemented.
V. ABGA member Denny Clark addressed the Board regarding his concerns with point awards for animals in classes in which there are only single entries.

VI. President Bob Duke presented a letter from a concerned ABGA member regarding DNA testing for full blood Boer goats.

VII. The Board reviewed the Registration Rules and Policies.

VIII. Norman Kohls reported that the program being put together by the Education Committee is moving forward with the largest portion of the printed material now in hand. The committee is working on acquiring the appropriate slides to illustrate the program.

IX. Norman Kohls reported that the Judges Certification Program is well under way. Dr. Frank Craddock has designed the program and the participation application. The first Certification is set for April 21-23, 2005 in San Angelo. The ABGA judges will hold a forum type discussion of the problems they are finding as judges on the last evening of the program. This forum will include the persons passing the certification program.

X. Robert Swize reflected on his recent trip to Louisville, Kentucky to inspect the facility for the 2005 National Show and meet with Kentucky personnel. The National Show Schedule was presented by the National Show Committee.

Norman Kohls moved to accept the schedule as presented. Mark Seawell second
Voice Vote

**MOTION PASSED**

Mark Seawell moved that $15 per entry fee will be returned to any paid exhibitor, from a state that might be quarantined by Kentucky, which would prevent them from bringing their goats to the National Show. ABGA will retain $5 of the fee as an administrative fee.

Brent Gaspard second
Voice Vote

**MOTION PASSED**

John Edwards moved that any entry fees that are to be returned must be returned by July 15, 2005.

Robert Washington second
Voice vote
MOTION PASSED

Joe Wiley moved that ABGA seek individual sponsorships of class belt buckles at $100 each and for banners at $75 each, he added that Directors Pins be removed from the budget.
Carrie Boyer second
Voice vote

MOTION PASSED

XI. Judy Wolfe moved that the Directors Application form now in use by ABGA be continued with the corrections of: (1) Date of Birth to be replaced with “Over 19 years of age?” and (2) remove the space for a picture.
David Edens second
Voice vote

MOTION PASSED

XII. Robert Washington presented the JABGA report.

XIII. Peggy Taylor was chosen to formulate the “Percentage Doe of Excellence” Award Program outline. The items of eligibility that make up the program were discussed and approved by the Board. Points for this program will be retroactive to July 1, 2004, as this was the date the program was originally announced.

XIV. The Affiliate Club Program was discussed by Robert Swize. The form for application of a club to become an ABGA affiliate was approved.

XV. John Edwards reported on the ABGA Regional Sales Program. He presented very positive points about the program. A Show/Sell outline was presented by Norman Kohls which has worked very well for other programs and should work very well for ABGA.

XVI. Each Director was asked by President Duke to present any problems or concerns within their region. Very positive reports from all regions were given by the individual directors.

XVII. The Board instructed the ABGA office to send a letter to all ABGA judges as to whether they wish to remain on the ABGA list of approved judges.

Peggy Taylor moved to adjourn. Joe Wiley second

MOTION PASSED
Meeting adjourned