



American Boer Goat Association  
Board of Directors  
Conference Call Meeting  
November 4, 2008  
7:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Troy Veal.

Present:

Barry Watts  
Jamie Mitchell  
Joe Mueller  
Doug Widener  
John Morrow  
Terry Brown  
Tina Owens  
Peggy Taylor

Coni Ross  
Ann Giardini  
Rhonda Edens  
Sara Davis  
Scott Wetzel  
Chris Shaffett  
Brian Faris

Absent:

Ryan Kish

ABGA Staff: Sandy Smith, ABGA Office Manager

I. Approval of Minutes

John Morrow moved to approve the minutes of the 10/7/2008 Board of Directors Meeting with correction to "New Business" Item 8 (d), addition of the date of February 1 to the dates shown of December 1, April 1, August 1, and October 1"  
Joe Mueller second.

Voice Vote      MOTION PASSED

II. Financial Report

Office Manager Sandy Smith presented the ABGA Financial report for September. Income is slightly below budget at 90%. Expenses are under budget by about 7 %. Income in September is down by \$2607.00

III. Executive Committee Report:

ABGA Secretary Peggy Taylor reported to the Board on the issues which the Executive Committee had reviewed or taken action on.

IV. Board Directive for ABGA Bank Accounts:

The Board issued a directive that the ABGA Secretary draft a letter advising all ABGA banking interests that John Jones has resigned as President and that Vice President Troy Veal has assumed the office of President and they are therefore directed to remove the name of John Jones from all documents, adding Troy Veal's name in its' place. Further, the following are to be added to accounts, Ann Giardini, ABGA Treasurer; Sandy Smith, ABGA Office Manager, and where necessary Sherrie Cook, ABGA Accounting.

V. Office Manager Job Responsibilities:

President Troy Veal requested Joe Mueller, Sara Davis, and Peggy Taylor to work on a draft outline (based upon the approved job description by which the office manager was hired) of job responsibilities and expectations for the office manager.

VI. Office Protocol

President Troy Veal requested that the board members go through the President with requests directed to the Office Manager.

VII. Office of Vice President:

A vacancy in this office was created when Vice President Troy Veal assumed the position of President. In accordance with the ABGA By-Laws four current board members are eligible to be elected to this position: John Morrow, Jamie Mitchell, Coni Ross, and Peggy Taylor. This position will be filled by election at the December meeting.

Director Jamie Mitchell declined being considered for the Vice President position.

VIII. Old Business:

1. Rules and Regulations  
President Troy Veal requested each director send their sections to him and copy to the ABGA secretary who will put them together for the December meeting.
2. Code of Conduct and Ethics  
Ann Giardini presented a draft of a document to be presented back to the Board at the December meeting.
3. Mission Statement:  
Sara Davis moved to adopt a mission statement which reflects the ABGA purpose statement with the exclusion of the words "exclusively" and "in the United States". Terry Brown second.

Statement to read:

The mission of the ABGA is to collect and maintain the history and pedigree of Boer goats, provide for their registration, preserve the purity of the breed, and encourage the further improvement and wider distribution of the breed through research, promotion, and education. "

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED  
Director Barry Watts abstained from this vote.

IX. New Business:

1. Region 6 Director Appointment:  
President Troy Veal appointed John Edwards to fill the vacant position in Region 6 until the next election.  
Tina Owens moved to approve. Doug Widener second.

Roll Call Vote:

Barry Watts	Yes	Jamie Mitchell	Yes
John Morrow	Yes	Brian Faris	Yes
Joe Mueller	No	Doug Widener	Yes
Scott Wetzel	Yes	Chris Shaffett	Yes
Ann Giardini	Abstain	Coni Ross	Yes
Sara Davis	Yes	Tina Owens	Yes
Rhonda Edens	Yes	Terry Brown	Yes
Peggy Taylor	Yes	Ryan Kish	Absent

Motion is approved by a vote of 13 to 1 with 1 abstention and 1 absent.

2. Ennoblement Program—Traditional/Non-Traditional  
The Board reviewed feed back received from the membership on the issue of traditional/non-traditional in awarding points for the Ennoblement program. Directors are to present responses and questions to the Ennoblement committee.

3. ABGA Office Space:  
The committee has looked at another building with larger floor space, and more parking area at about the same price as current. ABGA office space is currently on a monthly rental basis.
4. National Show Judges Criteria:  
Sara Davis will draft a new letter to address the 2009 National Show criteria which will be sent to the judges eligible to be considered for judging the 2009 National Show.
5. National Show Committee:  
Chairman Chris Shaffett requested the addition of Mike Masters to this committee. This committee will have a further report in December.  
Peggy Taylor moved to approve Mike Masters for this committee  
John Morrow second.  
Voice Vote MOTION PASSED
5. Further Committes: The following committees expect to present reports to the board in December:  
Judges Oversight and Continuing Education, Bylaws, National Show Site Selection, Magazine, Sanctioned Show.
6. National Convention:  
Ann Giardini suggested ABGA look toward 2010 for a possible National Convention.
7. Budget:  
Treasurer Ann Giardini will present the 2009 budget at the December meeting.
8. Genetic Improvement:  
Chair Joe Mueller reported to the Board that there is a huge volume of information from the BGIN Program which must be organized in order for it be used beneficially. At present there isn't anyone familiar enough with the procedure to do this.
9. Office Manager report:  
Sandy Smith reported that the office had contacted Mr. Don Smith as requested by the Executive Committee on a pedigree issue and that Mr. Smith had refused permission for a duplicate certificate to be issued on the doe in question.

There being no further business,  
John Morrow moved to adjourn  
Brian Faris second.