



**American Boer Goat Association  
Board of Directors  
Conference Call Meeting  
September 2, 2008  
7:00 pm**

The meeting was called to order by President John Jones

**Present:**

Barry Watts  
Brian Faris  
Doug Widener  
Ann Giardini  
Rhonda Edens  
Jamie Mitchell  
Sara Davis  
Peggy Taylor

Troy Veal  
Joe Mueller  
Chris Shaffett  
Tina Owens  
Scott Wetzel  
John Morrow  
Coni Ross

**Absent:**

Tony Brazil

ABGA Staff: Sherrie Cook, Accounting

**I. Approval of Minutes**

Peggy Taylor moved to approve the BOD meeting minutes of August 1, 2, and 3, 2008 with the correction (on August 2) of adding Barry Watts as the reviewer designee of Section L of the Rules and Regulations.

Brian Faris second

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED

Director Jamie Mitchell abstained from the vote as he was not in attendance at this meeting.

**II. Financial Report**

Sherrie Cook presented the July financial report to the BOD reporting a positive income of \$11,695.00. Income is at 91% of budget and expenses are at 93% of budget.

**III. Update on ABGA Office positions**

Resumes and applications continue to come into the ABGA office for both positions. The BOD set a target date of October 1 through 5 to begin reviewing the applications for the position of ABGA Office Manager.

**IV. Appointment of Directors for Region 1 and Region 2**

Troy Veal moved to approve the appointment of Terry Brown to the position of Director for Region 1. Peggy Taylor second

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED Unanimously

Troy Veal moved to approve the appointment of Ryan Kish to the position of Director of Region 2.

Brian Faris second

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED Unanimously

**V. Review of ABGA Rules and Regulations**

The BOD received reports from Directors on their review of the Rules and Regulations. President Jones requested that drafts of any particular section that might need work be sent within the 10 day time frame to be included on the October meeting agenda.

#### **VI. American Goat Federation**

There was lengthy discussion held by the ABGA BOD on the American Goat Federation and what place that ABGA might have in this group. The Board give President Jones some discussion points which they requested be clarified during the next working group meeting for AGF.

#### **VII. Registration Certificates**

The Board requested cost information for software updates to the data system that would be needed to implement new registration certificates and further requested that information be available at the October meeting if possible.

#### **VIII. Scanning/Archiving of records**

The BOD has been discussing the possible scanning of foundation/historical records of the ABGA for storage and preservation. The BOD has requested a solicitation of bids for both partial and complete scanning of record inventory. This will be discussed again at a future meeting.

#### **IX. Office Phone System**

The BOD will consider this item within the framework of the ABGA 2009 Budget.

#### **X. Credit Card Processing**

The BOD was advised that Wells Fargo Bank will provide the best savings for the ABGA credit card transactions.

Ann Giardini moved to accept the contract with Wells Fargo Bank.

Jamie Mitchell second.

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED

#### **XI. Code of Conduct and Ethics**

The first draft of this document was presented for Board review. The BOD suggested some corrections to the document which went back to committee to be brought back at the October meeting.

#### **XII. ABGA Mission Statement**

Director Tina Owens will send a draft to all Board members for comment and review.

#### **XIII. ABGA On-Line**

No report was available for discussion on this item

#### **XIV. New Business**

1. ABGA has received a request for ABGA support with an Extension Service project. The BOD found this particular project was not appropriate for ABGA at this time but hope funds might be available in the future.

#### **XV. Committee Reports**

Time Constraints required tabling of these reports until the October meeting

#### **XVI. December ABGA Face to Face Board Meeting**

Director Tina Owens informed the BOD that, due to scheduling problems, the North Carolina Meat Goat Assn would not be having their December Christmas meeting as planned in Charlotte, NC. Due to these circumstances Director Owens recommended that the December meeting be re-scheduled for Dallas, Texas.

Peggy Taylor moved to re-schedule the December ABGA face to face meeting for Dallas, Texas  
Chris Shaffett second.

Voice Vote MOTION PASSED Unanimously

**XVII. Request to the Judges Oversight Committee from the Board of Directors**

President Jones requested that the Judges Oversight Committee examine a clarification of the word "control" in setting the limitations of a judge evaluating a given animal in the show ring under the "90 day prior" rule. The BOD requested the committee bring this back at the October meeting.

There being no further business,

Peggy Taylor moved to adjourn  
John Morrow second

The meeting adjourned