

ABGA Board of Directors Face To Face Meeting  
September 20-21, 2013  
Hilton Garden Inn  
Grape Vine, Texas

Meeting called to order September 20, 2013 at 8:03 a.m. by President Brad Mackey

Roll Call

Present:

Scott Pruett  
Jeff Gibbs  
Dr. Mark Watkins  
Shon Callahan  
Cecil Swepston  
Linda West  
Mark Anderson  
Vicki Stich  
Tracy Diefenbach  
Paul Kinslow  
John Morrow  
Sara Davis  
Ervin Chavana arrive 9/20/13 at 9:55 a.m.  
John Edwards arrive 9/20/13 at 9:55 a.m.

Not Present:

Terry Brown  
Scott Hawthorn

Others Present:

Mary Ellen Villarreal  
Sherry Watkins  
Karl Herman  
Denny Clark  
Sherry Clark  
Kelly Edwards  
Braden Edwards

1. Meeting minutes

Board of Directors review minutes from 8/8/13 Board of Directors Conference Call.  
Motion to approve by John Morrow.  
Second to motion by Scott Pruett  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Board of Directors review minutes from 8/13/13 Executive Committee Conference Call.  
Motion by approve by Jeff Gibbs.  
Second to motion by Dr.Mark Watkins.  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

2. Office Accounting Proposal

Presentation by Dr. Mark Watkins in reference to using outside accounting firm to handle payroll, bill payments and all financial management.

Motion by Scott Pruett to accept proposal for use of outside accounting firm as proposed by Dr. Mark Watkins.

Second to motion by Mark Anderson.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

3. Land Purchase Update

Update by Dr. Mark Watkins on the land purchase Final purchase has been negotiated. Contract has been executed and closing to be scheduled.

4. Building Update

Jeff Gibbs updates the board on the status of the building. Jeff Gibbs has been contacting builders to solicit bids. Jeff Gibbs provides a copy of the building plans to the board for review.

5. Ennoblement Point System

Presentation by Vicki Stich on changes to the Ennoblement point system as requested from membership to separate point totals of flush and natural kids and denote flush/natural kids on registration papers and online.

Motion by Tracy Diefenbach to table discussion on changes to registration papers to reflect to ET until presentation by IT on new software system.

Second to motion by John Morrow.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

6. Reciprocal Registrations

Discussion held regarding registration of offspring from unregistered bucks and registered fullblood does.

Motion by Shon Callahan to register the offspring resulting from the breeding of an unregistered buck and a american purebred or fullblood doe.

Second to motion by Paul Kinslow.

Roll call vote. Unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting recesses for break at 9:39 a.m.  
Meeting resumes at 9:55 a.m.

Ervin Chavana and John Edwards join the meeting.

7. Rule 901 Overview

Board enters Executive Session at 9:55 a.m. to discuss rule 901 080513.  
Board exits executive session at 10:30 a.m.

Motion by Cecil Swebston that Rule 901 080513 be dismissed.  
Second to motion by Sara Davis.  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Motion by Jeff Gibbs to refund filing fee to Scott Pruett.  
Second to motion by Cecil Swebston.  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Motion by Sara Davis amend registration rule as follows:

*214.J. If an animal requires re-tattooing, the applicant will return registration certificate to ABGA noting all characters as they appear on the animal. The registration certificate will be reissued to reflect that the animal has been re-tattooed in accordance with Rule 712.*

Second to Motion by John Morrow.  
Voice vote. Motions passes.

8. IBGA Registration Issues

Review of registration requests and transfers for IBGA goats that do not comply with the established policy.

Directive by President Brad Mackey to the ABGA Office that all requests to register IBGA goats that do not comply with the ABGA policy shall be returned to the applicant.

9. Inspection Forms

Ervin Chavana requests changes to the handling of inspection forms.

Directive to the ABGA Office to prepare a letter to the ABGA Judges reminding them of the requirements of completing inspection forms and issuing a redesigned inspection stamp with their name.

Board of Directors discusses issuing inspection forms to members. Board of Directors will allow members to request up to 10 blank ABGA inspection forms from the ABGA office at the cost of \$1.00 for each form.

Motion by Tracy Diefenbach that effective January 1, 2014 inspections will not be valid unless the original registration papers are stamped with the ABGA Judge's current ABGA inspection stamp.

Second to motion by Vicki Stich.

Voice vote. One opposes. Motion passes.

10. JABGA Fund Raiser

Proposal by John Morrow that we endorse the sale of muck boots with boer goats printed on the boots with a portion of the proceeds to be paid to the JABGA. Discussion held.

Proposal referred to JABGA Board for consideration.

Meeting recesses for lunch at 11:41 a.m.

Meeting resumes at 1:04 p.m.

11. IT Proposal

Proposal by Huber & Associates in reference to upgrade of software and web services.

Meeting recess for break at 2:13 p.m.

Meeting resumes at 2:23 p.m.

Discussion held regarding IT Proposal.

Motion by Shon Callahan to move forward with pursuing upgrading software and website technology and to pursue quotes from existing livestock software companies.

Second to motion by Mark Anderson.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

12. 2014 National Show

Review of schematic of pen layout for the 2014 national show. Discussion held regarding layout. Directive to Dr. Mark Watkins to review layout, reduce number of pens to 850, add fitting area and drive thru area.

Discussion held regarding selling advertising on the megatron to offset the cost of use, banquet cost and location.

13. JABGA Board of Directors Proposal

Review of proposal from JABGA to amend the JABGA bylaws as follows:

3.1 Number. The direction and management of the affairs of the JABGA shall be vested in the JABGA Board, which shall consist of (10) persons who must at all times be Members of JABGA. The directors shall be elected as set forth in Section 3.3 to represent (5) geographic regions as described in Section 3.2. *If the immediate past president's term on the Board as an Area director has expired, they shall continue to be a director until their designation as immediate past president ends, but they shall not be a representative of any Area.*

Directive by the ABGA Board of Directors for JABGA Board to rewrite the proposal permitting the past president to remain on the JABGA Board solely in the capacity as a non-voting advisor.

Review of expenditure proposal by the JABGA. ABGA Board of Directors refers expenditure request regarding National FFA convention back to the JABGA Board for further details.

Motion by Jeff Gibbs to approve expenditure of \$3,150.00 for the purchase of 1000 drawstring track bags by the JABGA.

Second to motion by Shon Callahan.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

14. Electronic IDs.

Request by Mark Anderson to add electronic reader data to the ABGA papers.

Discussion held. No action taken.

15. DNA Testing

Discussion held regarding DNA testing data base. Directive by President Brad Mackey to Jeff Gibbs and Shon Callahan to contact DNA Testing Labs and report to the board contract requirements and fees to utilize their data base services for the ABGA.

Meeting recesses for the day at 4:12 p.m.

Meeting resumes at 8:06 a.m. on September 21, 2013

16. Rule 1400

Review of written proposal to amend Rule 1400 as presented by Jeff Gibbs.

Motion by Jeff Gibbs to approve Rule 1400 as follows:

See attachment A.

Second to motion by Scott Pruett.

Vote taken by show of hands. 7 in favor. 7 oppose. Tie breaker vote by President Brad Mackey in opposition. Motion fails.

Meeting recesses at 8:57 a.m.

Meeting resumes at 9:10 a.m.

17. Committees

Brad Mackey proposes tech committee in reference to the software proposal consisting of Sara Davis, Tracy Diefenbach, Mary Ellen Villarreal and Dean Bergman. Jeff Gibbs to chair.

Motion by Scott Pruett to approve Jeff Gibbs as chair of the Tech Committee.

Second to motion by Dr. Mark Watkins.

Voice vote Motion passes.

Brad Mackey proposes Natl Show Committee consisting of Dr. Mark Watkins, Scott Pruett, Lee Dana, Sharon Dana, Ervin Chavana, Mike Cothran, Kim Cothran, Gerald Peterson, Betty Peterson, Jeff Percy, Sheryl Percy and Joetta Boyd.

National show ring stewards: Robert Washington, Reggie Philans, Jesse Cornelius.

Motion by Jeff Gibbs to approve Dr. Mark Watkins as chair of the national show committee.

Second to motion by Jeff Gibbs.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

Brad Mackey proposes Judges committee consisting of : Scott Pruett, Chip Kemp, Mark Anderson.

Motion by Jeff Gibbs that Scott Pruett be appointed as chair of the Judges Committee.

Second to motion by Cecil Sweptson.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

18. JABGA Youth Coordinator

Aaron Gillispie is leaving ABGA effective Wednesday, 9/25/13. Shon Callahan recommends Cindy Dusek as the new JABGA youth coordinator. Presentation by Cindy Dusek regarding the JABGA program.

19. Rule Review

Board reviews updated Rule 1400 document that was drafted at the July mtg with modifications.

Meeting recesses for break at 9:49 a.m.  
Meeting resumes at 10:10 a.m.

Continued review of proposed Rule 1400 document.

Motion by Mark Anderson to approve Rule 1400 document as presented and set forth as follows:

Attachment B.

Second to motion by Scott Pruett.  
Roll call vote. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by John Morrow that amended Rule 1400 shall take effect immediately.  
Second to motion by Mark Anderson.  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Motion by John Morrow that as of January 1, 2014 the rule regarding JABGA ownership/transfer take effect.  
Second to motion by Cecil Swepston.  
Voice vote. Motion passes.

Discussion held regarding creation of a family membership. Directive by President Brad Mackey that Cecil Swepston, Shon Callahan, John Edwards, John Morrow and Vicki Stich form a committee to investigate further and prepare a report to the board regarding creation of a family membership program. Cecil Swepston shall chair the committee.

Board of Directors enters executive session at 11:10 a.m. to discuss youth coordinator position.

Board of Directors out of executive session at 11:29 a.m.

Meeting recesses for lunch at 11:30 a.m.  
Meeting resumes at 12:55 p.m.

John Edwards departs the meeting during the lunch break.

20. JABGA

Motion by Ervin Chavana to hire Cindy Dusek as the youth coordinator effective Monday, 9/23/13.

Second to motion by John Morrow.

Voice vote. Motion passes.

Discussion held regarding JABGA FFA Booth representatives for the FFA convention. Directive by President Brad Mackey for Cindy Dusek to review booth staffing needs and travel fund requirement.

21. T-Shirt Design for National Show Fund Raiser

Discussion held regarding national show T-shirt design and benefit fund raiser. Board of Directors agree to choose the American Diabetes Association as the organization to benefit from the fund raiser. Vicki Stich will design the T-Shirt.

22. American Goat Federation

Discussion held regarding ABGA representative to the American Goat Federation. Directive by President Brad Mackey that Vicki Stich shall submit an application for a position on the board of the American Goat Federation.

23. New Business

Discussion held regarding appropriate attire for ABGA judges. Directive by President Brad Mackey that ABGA judges will be provided with official name tags and will receive a letter reminding them of the ABGA Judges' dress code.

Discussion held regarding member/non-member business transactions.

Board enters executive session at 1:24 p.m. to discuss member/non-member business transaction and Judges certification program.

Board of Directors exits executive session at 2:30 p.m.

Motion by Shon Callahan that Jesse Kimmel and Terry Taylor receive a letter of reprimand and the disciplinary action be posted on the web page for failure to read the tattoos at the time of inspection.

Second to motion by Cecil Swepston.

Voice vote. Motion passes.



24. December Face to Face Meeting Date

December Face to Face Meeting to be held in December shall be scheduled for December 13th and 14th in Nashville, TN.

Motion by Paul Kinslow to adjourn.

Second to motion by Linda West.

Meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Tracy Diefenbach

Secretary

American Boer Goat Association