

**ABGA Conference Call  
Tuesday, May 5, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by President, Deric Wetherell at 7:02 pm CST on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.

1. Roll call was taken with 15 directors and 1 staff in attendance.

Directors:

Region 1 Maddie Fenton

Region 3 Clark Huinker

Region 5 Kenny Elwood

Region 7 Linda West

Region 9 Deric Wetherell

Region 13 Kathy Daves-Carr

Region 15 Susan Burner

Region 2 Ken Baty

Region 4 Kevin Richmond

Region 6 Randy Dusek

Region 8 John Blackstock

Region 11 Jesse Cornelius (joined 8:36 pm)

Region 14 Denise Crabtree

Region 16 Sara Davis

Absent: Region 10 Josh Stephans

Staff: Mary Ellen Gillespie

2. Minutes: Kenny moved to approve the ABGA Board of Directors April 7, 2020 (Call 2) minutes. Clark seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

\*\* Email vote taken on April 30, 2020 to allow Mary Ellen Gillespie to apply for the PPP-SBA loan on behalf of the American Boer Goat Association. Majority vote in favor.

3. Committee Reports:

A. Regional Show: Deric presented the dates for 2020-2021 JABGA Regional Shows.

Area 1 - Oregon - July 10 - Corvallis - Cary Hayward

Area 2 - Oklahoma - November 7 – Stillwater - Traci Day

Iowa - May 29 – Spencer - Jodi Scholl

Area 3 - Pennsylvania - October 17 – Bloomsburg - Cameron Reigle

Indiana - May 15 – Greenfield – Kidders

Area 4 - Tennessee - October 10 – Murfreesboro - Kathy Daves Carr

Area 5 - Texas - November 14 – Abilene - Terry Taylor

Susan moved to accept the 2020 -2021 Regional Show list as presented. John seconded. Voice Vote. Motion passed.

- B. Breed Standards: Kathy presented the teat charts and wording to take effect 2021, 2024 and 2027. The Board will review and submit any changes to Kathy's email by Wednesday, May 13, 2020.

4. The Board entered closed session at 7:09 pm to discuss personnel issues. Board exited closed session at 7:32 pm.  
Ken moved to accept the proposal from McCleskey, Harriger, Brazill & Graf, LLP with the addition of the items discussed in closed session. Maddie seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.
5. Virtual Show: Mary Ellen discussed the option of a virtual show at a request of a member. There were concerns about inspection of the animals and points awarded. No action taken.
6. Committee Reports: Susan reported on the following from the Forms committee:
  - A. New registration application and sanctioned show application that were approved January 7, 2020 need posted to website.
  - B. Update current forms with the new address needs completed by office.
  - C. Sanctioned Show packet will be updated by committee.
7. Board went to closed session at 8:03 pm to discuss office issues. Board exited closed session at 8:36 pm.
8. Old Business:
  - A. Office: Discussion on hiring additional staff and training. Office training will take place on Wednesday of each week until further notice. A notice will be posted for members. Mary Ellen will develop a proposal for office salaries for a future meeting. A spreadsheet for issues will be developed to trace member issues for the office.
  - B. Website: New website is tabled until more information is available.
  - C. Online transfers: This issue is tabled until other updates are made.
  - D. Online Live payment issue: The payment platform is outdated. Options will be researched, and a report brought back to the board.
  - E. Accounting Firm for Financials: Mary Ellen reported on the audits. 2018 audit should be completed soon. Discussion will be held with auditor on hiring a firm.
  - F. National Show Rental: The deposit will be applied to 2021 rental. Mary Ellen is waiting on copies of the 2021 and 2022 contracts. Tentative dates are June 12-19, 2021 and June 11-18, 2022.
9. Kevin moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm. John seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Burner  
Secretary  
American Boer Goat Association