

**ALSA Monthly BOD Meeting
Feb. 12, 2013**

This meeting will be recorded
Meeting was called to order: 8:07 EST

Roll call:

Members Present:

President: Ken Forster

V. President: Jim Doyle

Treasurer (Non Board) Absent

Secretary: Trish Brandt-Robuck/Kitty Tuck-Hampel

Board Members:

Allen Davis

Larry Llewellyn

Charles Poillion

Kitty Tuck-Hampel

Office Manager: Robin Turrell

Old Business:

Sent: Tue, Feb 5, 2013 12:57 pm

Subject: Fleece committee recommendations

The ALSA Judges' committee has reviewed the following Fleece committee recommendations that were sent to the ALSA board in December of 2012. Our decisions can be found in red. Thank you to Cindy and her committee for all of the work they have put into this.

1. CEC's for Fleece Judges: In addition to being active within the Camelid community (superintending shows, writing articles, teaching, etc.), we believe that a Fleece Judge should judge a minimum of 50 fleeces within a 3-year period.

ALSA BoD: Motion to Approve: Jim

Second: Larry

Motion Carried

2. Fleece Judges who are recertifying: Create a one day seminar/workshop to be held

regionally at minimum expense to participants (\$50/person maximum). This event would be taught by certified ALSA Instructors and would use a round table discussion format. The goal would be to open lines of communication, to discuss the issues of the day and to work toward consistent judging among all ALSA fleece judges.

ALSA BoD: Motion to Approve: Larry

Second: Jim

Motion Carried

3. Walking Fleece FIBER Evaluation: At the Judges' discretion and with the exhibitors' permission, pulling or cutting a small sample may be a part of a Walking Fleece(FIBER) evaluation.

ALSA BoD: Motion to Approve: Trish

Second: Jim

Motion Carried

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7. Size of Shows and Required Number of Judges

a. Newly sanctioned shows (i.e. shows that have not been offered before) must hire Judges with 5 years or more of experience. Established shows must hire the appropriate level Judge for the expected number of animals, as defined in the judges section of the Handbook, Part S, Section 2.B.8.

Recommendation: Allow exceptions. New wording to be: (in Red)

7. Size of shows and Required Number of Judges

a. **Unless an exception has been granted by the Judges Committee**, newly sanctioned shows (i.e. shows that have not been offered before) must hire Judges with 5 years or more of experience. Established shows must hire the appropriate level Judge for the expected number of animals, as defined in the judges section of the Handbook.

BOD recommends Send to Judges Committee

ALSA BoD: Motion to Approve: Charles

Second: Allen

Motion Carried

ALSA Judges' Committee

Barb Harris Chair

Maryan Baker

Margaret Henry

Patti Morgan

Kevin Sullivan

Deb Yeagle

b) Other Fiber Committee items from January meeting.

As per the request by November Fleece Committee Report; Fleece Committee change their term expiration back to July, in line with the other committees instead of December, as it is now.

Motion by Kitty

Second: Jim

Roll Call Vote:

Kitty- Yes

Jim- Yes

Charles- Yes

Larry- Abstain

Allen- Yes

Trish- No

Motion Carried.

Office Business:

Robin Turell, Office Manager

BOD Meeting, Office - February 1, 2013

- 1). We have collected all the money that was owed for the 2012 ALSA Grand National except for 1 exhibitor.
- 2). Many people are taking advantage of the online renewal system. We receive renewals and/or new memberships daily.
- 3). The 2013 show season is underway. We have 29 shows sanctioned for 2012 thus far. (Please see attached 2013 recap report.)
- 4.) I was contacted by a member that wishes to host a NW Regional Show in Corvallis Oregon. I need to know how to direct this person?
- 5). Here is the status of the 2012 ALSA Grand National Ribbons
 - I spoke to Carl Schwenke of Royall Awards.
 - He informed me that he will be printing the ribbons that are DUE TO US this week. When we will receive these ribbons at the ALSA office, *FREE OF CHARGE*, we need to pay him the balance owed. When he has received the money, he will work on the ribbons that we never ordered.
 - When the ribbons are received in the office, I will be working on exchanging the ribbons.
 - To re-iterate, Sharon Carrier NEVER ordered any youth judging ribbons.
 - I have not received any ribbons from either Carol Ann Tallmon or Sharon VanHooser

6). Here is the status of the 2012 ALSA Grand National Trophies

- I received 3 trophies from Dee January from the 2012 GN.
- I have not received a trophy from Carol Ann Tallmon to replace and re-issue.
- I will be working on exchanging the trophies.

7.) The updated 2013 Judges List has been received and is on the ALSA website.

Robin H. Turell
ALSA Office Manager

Motion to Approve Office Report: Kitty

Second: Trish

Motion Carried

We would like to send a letter for Good Sportsmanship to Marcie Saska Agnew for her exemplary behavior at the ALSA Grand Nationals.

Motion to Approve: Jim

Second: Kitty

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

(Non BOD) Patti Wattigney

December 2012 Treasurer's Report:

Motion to Approve: Jim

Second: Kitty

Motion Carried

a) January's Treasurer's Report to be approved.

b) February's report pending

New Business: Committee

Reports:

1) **Alpaca Committee:** (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Kevin Sullivan

CHANGE IN HANDBOOK:

PAGE 18: Section 2. Alpaca Shows

b. Halter/Performance Judges should be paid the following minimum Fees per day:
Level Judge- Up to 75 Alpacas \$250
Level Judge- Over 75 Alpacas \$350

c. Fiber Judges should be paid the following minimum Fees per day:
Level Judge- Up to 75 Alpacas \$250
Level Judge- Over 75 Alpacas \$350

This must be changed to Read: (in Red for b, c)
Level Judge- Less than 5-years experience \$250
Level Judge- 5-years Experience or more \$300

This will make the Alpaca and Llama judges fees equal for all ALSA judges.

Motion to Approve: Trish

Second: Charles

Motion carried.

2) **Election Committee:** (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Lougene Baird

ALSA Election Committee Report – February 1, 2013

The Petition to Nominate Form was posted to the ALSA Website during the first week in January. Several Petitions have been received from the membership. The Committee has contacted the CPA firm to count the General Election ballots. Please let the Committee know of any ALSA Bylaws changes that may be under consideration for review to present to the membership for a vote to change.

The committee is asking the BOD to review and approve the text for several e- Blasts to the membership about the election deadlines, etc.

The Day of Record has been set for April 1, 2013. This is the date that a person must have dues paid to nominate, be nominated and to receive a Ballot.

Per ALSA Bylaws ARTICLE IV – ELECTION Section 1: election - Other 2013 deadlines are: April 10th Petition to Nominate Forms must be received by the Election Committee; April 30th for candidates to submit their Statements of Candidacy to the Committee; June 5th all Ballots must be received by the CPA who is tallying the election.

ALSA members are encouraged to contact the committee should they have questions regarding the election process.

Respectfully,

Lougene A Baird, Chair
ALSA Election Committee

Email motion #5

02-11-13: Larry: I motion for the election e-mail blast be sent out according to the Election Committee's request.

Jim- seconded.

Jim-yes; Charles-yes; Trish-yes; Kitty- Yes; Allen- Yes

Motion Carried

- 3) **Ethics:** (liaison: Jim)
 Chair: Paul Schwartz
 No Report

- 4.) **Fiber Committee:** (liaison: Larry)
 Chair: Cindy Ruckman
 Report Accepted in Old Business

- 5) **Finance & Budget Committee:** (liaison: Larry)
 Chair:
 No Report

- 6) **Grand National Committee:** (liaison: Ken)
 Chair:
 No Report

- 7.) **Handbook Committee:** (liaison: Larry)
 Chair: Marcie Saska Agnew
The Handbook is being finalized as we speak.

- 8) **Judge's Committee:** (liaison:
 Allen) Chair: Barb
 Harris

ALSA Judges' Committee Report February 2013

This committee has been reviewing various items that have been in the handbook, past minutes or verbal tradition. At this time we would like to make the following changes. In these times of smaller shows and shrinking economy many shows are being creative in ways we wouldn't have seen in the past. In some instances these

shows have had alpacas compete in their performance classes for years and now to broaden their scope have wanted to offer alpaca halter classes. After reviewing this we believe that ALSA has expended a great deal of time in training our judges and we would like to expand on the rule found in Part S 4B 12:

12. Only Judges re-certifying and successfully completing an Advanced Llama Judges Clinic (with Limited Alpaca) may judge combined llama and alpaca shows if alpacas do not exceed 25 in number.

We want to change this to read:

ALSA trained llama halter judges may judge up to 25 shorn alpacas. If said judge also holds alpaca halter certification then in that case they may judge any number of alpacas shorn or unshorn. ALSA trained alpaca halter judges may also judge up to 25 llamas. If said judge also holds llama halter certification then in that case they may judge any number of llamas.

We would hope that this rule change could go into effect upon board approval.

Back on October 22, 2009 the following was approved by the ALSA board. At this time we would like to make some modifications to these rules and request that they be included in the 18th edition Handbook so they are maintained in an easily accessible record. Our changes are for llama judges only. We are evaluating guidelines for alpaca judges in the event alpaca halter and fleece classes are offered at ALSA Grand National.

QUALIFICATIONS for ALSA REGIONAL and NATIONAL SHOW JUDGES

An ALSA Member and Judge in current good standing with no negative reviews, comments or reports in the files Not be a member of the BOD or Major Committee Chairperson with policy- making authority within another SHOW organization. Have ALSA SENIOR JUDGE Status with a minimum of 5 years judging experience Have judged a Regional Show before selection as an ALSA Grand National Judge Have attended or audited a recent Advanced Judge Clinic and/or attended Annual Judges Meeting for knowledge of current update, guidelines and rules. Motion by BOB Seconded by TOM Passed

The following is with the changes we want to make (in Red)

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At a point in time an unwritten strictly verbal tradition came about that in order to be on an ALSA committee the committee member could not be on any committees of another show organization.

Time has passed and volunteers who can give of their time as is needed to be on a committee are becoming fewer. Many volunteers are out there who share a common love and dedication to llamas and are willing to share their help with any organization available.

Therefore the Judges' committee would like to be clear that we have no objections to volunteers who may also share their time on committees of another show association. We value their dedication to the llama community as a whole.

Motion to Approve the Last Paragraph: Jim

Second: Trish

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,
ALSA Judges'
Committee Barb Harris –
Chair

Motion to Approve the Entire Judges Committee Report Effective for 2013: Allen

Second: Trish

Motion Carried with 1-Abstain

- 9) **Membership Committee:** (liaison: Kitty)
Chair: Kathy Devaul
No Report
- 10) **Nomination Committee:** (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report

11) **Performance Committee:** (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Eileen Ditsler
No Report

12) **Policy & Planning Committee:** (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report

13) **Promotion Committee:** (liaison: Charles)
Chair: None

14) **Protest Committee:** (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Margaret Henry
No Report

15) **Publications Committee:** (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Ruby Herron

16) **Regional Committee:** (liaison: Kitty) Chair:
Cheryl Juntilla

A) Report tabled from Jan 2013 BOD meeting.

Regional Championship Committee Report for January 8, 2013

It came as a surprise to see in the December 11, 2012 BOD meeting minutes that the ALSA Treasurer and Board apparently have questions regarding the accounting for the 2012 Regional Championships and that the report was being sent back to the Committee for "clarification and corrections regarding sponsorship monies." I have not received any questions or communications from the Treasurer or the Committee Liaison and neither have the Regional Superintendents. The only reason I even know there were questions raised is because my husband noticed on Sunday, January 5, that the minutes had finally been posted on the ALSA website.

If the Board or the Treasurer have questions regarding committee business, simply communicating with the Committee Chair directly would get them answered a lot more quickly.

First, the \$121.87 miscellaneous expense at the Southwest Regional was supplies for the hospitality table paid for out of the \$500 seed money. Receipts

documenting those expenses were sent to the ALSA office by the Regional Superintendent. In fact, that Regional Superintendent donated an additional \$12.03 out of her own pocket to cover the cost.

Secondly, when the ALSA Board decided in 2011 to stop paying any Regional Championship premiums it also agreed that the sponsorship money donated to a Regional Championship would remain in that Region to be used for prizes. The sponsorship money goes to the exhibitors and not to ALSA, so it is neither income nor an expense for ALSA's books. The lines on the spreadsheet for sponsorships and premiums are left over from the time when ALSA did provide premium money and the regional superintendents had to account for how much premiums were actually paid out and return the leftover money to ALSA. I kept them on the accounting form in hopes that someday ALSA would be in a financial position to again provide some financial support to the Regional Championships.

Finally, this is my final report as Regional Championship Committee Chairperson. Personal circumstances require me to resign, effective immediately. I hope that the Board will continue to support the Regional Superintendents who provide a valuable service to ALSA members. I also hope that the Board members will make some effort to re-establish championships in the other regions so that all ALSA members can have the opportunity to participate in a Championship show regardless of where they live. I will be happy to provide whatever information or assistance I can to help the next Chairperson of the Regional Championship Committee.

Cheryl Juntilla

Motion to Decline Cheryl Juntilla's Resignation: Jim

Second: Larry

Motion Carried

Letter to be written to Cheryl Juntilla saying we received her resignation, but respectfully decline it.

Letter Written From the ALSA BoD to Cheryl Juntilla, Patti Wattigney, and Joy Pedroni

Motion to Approve letter: Larry

Second: Jim

Roll call vote:

Jim- Yes

Allen- Yes

Larry- Yes

Kitty- Yes

Charles- Yes

Trish- No

Motion Carried

- 17) **Show Management Committee:** (liaison: Allen)
Chair:
No Report
- 18) **Web Site Committee:** (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Ruby Herron
No Report
- 19) **Youth Committee:** (liaison: Charles)
Chair: Susan Leslie
No Report

Without any other business, *Motion to Adjourn: Kitty*

Second: Charles

Motion Carried.

Conference call adjourned at 11:31 EST

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

1)

01-09-13: Request to pay Sharon Carrier for the her 2012 Grand National expenses of \$1131.76 .

01-09-13: Jim-yes; Charles-yes.

01-10-13: Trish-yes; Allen-yes; Larry-yes; Kitty-yes.

01-10-13: Payment approved.

2)

01-13-13: Minutes submitted for approval.

01-14-13: Jim approved; Larry one correction; Allen approved.

01-15-13: Charles approved, Trish approved.

01-17-13: Kitty approved.

01-21-13: Minutes approved with correction to email vote A. Needs Larry-abstention added.

3)

01-29-13: Larry-I motion that Cindy be allowed to attend a Special or Regular BOD Meeting to be the expert from the fleece committee for their last report submitted to

the BOD. Please keep in mind that these changes came from Fleece Experts who are more knowledgeable than all of us combined.

Jim- Seconded and voted yes. Charles-yes; Kitty-yes; Allen-yes. Trish-abstention; Larry-abstention.

02-06-12: Motion carried 4-yes and 2-abstention.

4)

02-18-13: Kitty requested approval of reworded letter to Cheryl, Joy and Patti.

02-19-13: Jim: Motion to approve. Charles seconded.

02-19-13: Jim-yes; Charles-yes

02-20-13: Larry-yes; Kitty-yes; Allen-yes. Trish-abstention.

02-20-13 : Rewritten letter approved.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday; March 12, 2013
8:00pm EST