

ALSA October Membership Meeting

October 24, 2014

Call to order: 7:37 AM

Roll call:

President: Kitty Tuck-Hampel
V. President: Susan Leslie
Treasurer (Non Board) Patti Wattigney
Secretary: Terese Evenson
Board Members: Debbie Andrews
Charles Poillion (not in attendance)
Paul Schwartz (not in attendance)
Jim Doyle

Office Business:

Robin Turell, Office Manager:

Office Report

1. Membership

There are new membership applications coming in.

As of right now we have:

- 640 + regular memberships. This number is growing each day.

2. Office

If anyone has any questions, or needs help with anything, feel free to talk with me in the show office. You can also call the ALSA office at any time, and I will be more than happy to help.

Tor Sorensen makes a motion to accept the Office Report

Greg Hall seconded the motion

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report:

(Non BOD) Patti Wattigney

Financial statement and Treasurer's Report were distributed. (See attached)

The bank accounts during 2013 were reconciled monthly and a financial statement and Treasurer Report was prepared monthly and reviewed with the BOD.

All required tax and informational returns were filed on a timely basis for 2013.

The Board of Directors has closely monitored the expenses and has worked diligently in 2013 and 2014 to reduce the amount of expenses.

As in the previous years, 2013 was also a difficult year for ALSA, the llama industry and the general economy of our Nation as a whole. The Board will continue to search for ways of increasing revenue and decreasing costs.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to see me after the meeting.

Tor Sorensen makes a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Greg Hall seconded the motion

Motion carried

Committee Reports:

1) Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Susan Leslie)

No report

2) Election Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Lougene Baird

By-law changes - minor verbiage changes.

They must be back by the 29th to get them out to the membership.

Voting will start on November 1st and end November 13th.

Jens Rudibaugh makes a motion to receive the Election Committee report

Belinda Snow seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

3) Ethics: (liaison: Susan)
Chair: Cheryl Lambert

No report at this time

4) Fleece Committee: (liaison: Terese)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman

No report at this time

- 5) Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Patti Wattigney

Covered under Treasurer's Report

- 6) Grand National Committee: (liaison: Kitty)

We have over 500 entries.

The Youth Challenge was met, and exceeded the numbers.

The Alpaca Youth were changed to age divisions, and we have over 15 entries (that number is up - last year we had 4).

We have new awards this year. I hope you all enjoy them.

The trial run for the youth showmanship, youth judging, Get of Sire and Produce to qualify for Grand Nationals with 1 in the class or 2 to qualify with 4 or more in the class was a success. The committee would like to make this permanent in the new Handbook, and effective January 1.

Tor Sorenson makes a motion to accept the Grand National Report.

Bobbi White seconded the motion.

Motion carried

- 7) Handbook Committee: (liaison: Paul)
Chair: Marcie Saska Agnew

All changes to the Handbook should be submitted by the October deadline, and no additions should be allowed after the deadline has passed.

The Handbook Committee will work with the Publishing Committee to prepare for publication.

The Committee has discussed bringing in a professional proofreader to find duplications and discrepancies in the Handbook.

The Committee is trying to make the Handbook more "user friendly".

Portion of handout read at the meeting -

G. Handbook Committee

2. Purpose:

b. Responsible for carrying out Board directives for accurately transcribing and appropriately placing official rule changes, addition and deletions within time lines required by the Board of Directors. *Responsible for working with all other Committees throughout the year on any proposed rule changes and reviewing such changes to confirm they do not conflict with other sections of the Handbook. Also responsible for suggesting changes to make the Handbook concise, consistent and user friendly.*

c. Deadline for any Handbook changes will be made by November 30th each year. *The Handbook Committee will submit all proposed Handbook changes to the Board of Directors once per year on or before November 30, with approved changes to take effect on January 1 of the following year. The Handbook Committee will work with the Publication Committee and ALSA Office to coordinate the printing and distribution of the Handbook. Once the Handbook has been printed and distributed, no other changes will take effect until the next printing.*

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Cheryl Juntilla makes a motion to accept the Handbook Committee recommendations as read by the Chair.

Larry Lewellyn seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

8) Judge's Committee: (liaison: Terese)
Chair: Ken Forster

No report at this time

9) Membership Committee: (liaison: Debbie)
Chair: Amanda Brantley

No report at this time

10) Nomination Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Anna Reece

No report at this time

11) Performance Committee: (liaison: Debbie)
Chair: Anna Reece

Novice requirements have changed.

There will be an eblast to remind the members of the changes.

Marcie Saska-Agnew makes a motion to accept the Performance Committee report.

Jens Rudibaugh seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 12) Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Charles)
Chair: Barb Harris

Working with Lougene Baird on changes.

Marcie Saska-Agnew makes a motion to accept the Policy & Planning Committee report.

Tor Sorenson seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 13) Protest Committee: (liaison: Susan)
Chair: Bobbie White

A protest is being investigated.

Belinda Snow makes a motion to accept the Protest Committee report.

Debbie Andrews seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 14) Publications, Promotions, and Marketing Committee: (liaison: Terese)
Chair: Ruby Herron

Interest and advertising in the Showring has grown immensely.

Several newspapers have been contacted and will run stories about Grand Nationals.

Cheryl Juntilla makes a motion to accept the Publications, Promotions and Marketing Committee report.

Tor Sorenson seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 15) Regional Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair:

Regionals will make a profit this year.

This is Cheryl Juntilla's last year as Regional Committee Chair.

If anyone is interested in becoming the Chair, please contact Cheryl or Jim Doyle.

Joy Pedroni makes a motion to accept the Regional Committee report.

Jens Rudibaugh seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 16) Show Management Committee: (liaison: Jim)

Chair:

The committee is diligently working on some items.

Belinda Snow makes a motion to accept the Show Management Committee report.

Marcie Saska-Agnew seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

17) Web Site Committee: (liaison: Jim)

Chair: Ruby Herron

No report at this time

18) Youth Committee: (liaison: Susan)

Chair: Michelle Kutzler & Terry White, Co-Chairs

All proceeds from the silent auction items go to the scholarship fund.

The Youth Committee will make recommendations/changes to have the youth alpaca requirements equal the performance requirements within the Handbook.

The Committee will work diligently to get these changes submitted to the Handbook Committee, for publication in the new Handbook.

Sally Rucker makes a motion to give the Youth Committee an extension to change the alpaca requirements to match the Performance Committee requirements.

Geri Rutledge seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Belinda Snow makes a motion to accept the Youth Committee report.

Sally Rucker seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

According to the Handbook alpacas cannot cart.

- will check with several Veterinarians for clarification to this rule.

Move Grand Nationals to a different time of year.

- Agricultural programs will excuse the students from school. Check with your local Ag Department to see if that is offered in your area.

Jim Doyle makes a motion to adjourn.

Belinda Snow seconded the motion.

Motion carried.