

ALSA Board Meeting Minutes October 28, 2016

Call to order: 8:05 p.m. Central Daylight Time

Board Members present:

President: Jim Doyle
V. President: Paul Schwartz
Secretary: Cheryl Juntilla
Board Members: Debbie Andrews
Bill Feick

A proposal for an incentive program for ALSA youth members to stay involved with ALSA and enter the apprenticeship program when they have reached their last year of showing in the Senior Youth Division was discussed. Comments gathered by the Chair of the Judges Committee during conference calls with ALSA judges which related to the proposal were reviewed. It was agreed that Paul would make an announcement about the incentive program during the Annual Meeting on October 29, 2016. Paul will also communicate it directly to the Senior Youth members who are attending the Grand National Championship Show. It will be communicated to Senior Youth who are not in attendance and their parents via e-mail. The details of the program are as follows:

This offer is available to ALSA Youth members in good standing as of October 29, 2016, who are in their final year of eligibility to compete in the senior youth show division.

For qualified youth who sign up for this program the fee for attending a Beginning Judging Clinic will be discounted to \$125. If the youth successfully completes the clinic and three apprenticeships, this \$125 will be applied to the fee for their final judging clinic.

Upon successful completion of the first clinic and approval by the ALSA Judges Committee, participants will be eligible to start apprenticing at ALSA shows without having to wait until they are 21 regardless of how many years they have competed in youth judging classes.

The Board of Directors will work with the Judges Committee to try to schedule clinics in the regions where youth who sign up for the program live. These will be complete judging clinics and open to other participants at the regular fee. Parents are encouraged to volunteer as handlers or help in other ways at the clinics, but absolutely no coaching will be allowed.

A sign-up sheet will be circulated at the Grand National to get a preliminary determination of the number of potential youth participants and where the clinics should be held. Senior youth members who were unable to attend the Grand National will be contacted by e-mail. The cut-off date for the preliminary sign-up will be December 31, 2016.

A Motion was made by Bill and unanimously approved to send a thank you letter to Michelle Kutzler for her work on Youth Committee along with an apology for the Board's lapse in communication with her.

Year to date financial statements for 2015 and 2016 were compared and discussed. No decisions regarding financial adjustments can be made until we get the final income and

expense numbers from the Grand National. The possibility of adding an LFA sale to the show next year will be explored.

At 9:30 p.m. a motion was made by Cheryl and unanimously approved to go into executive session to discuss contract matters. At 10:15 p.m. a motion was made and unanimously approved to exit executive session and adjourn the meeting.

Submitted by Cheryl Juntilla, Secretary