

ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting

October 9 , 2012

Call to order

Next Board Meeting:

Thursday Oct 25, 2012; 8:00 am CST BOD Face to Face Meeting at Lincoln, NE

Friday Oct 26, 2012; 7:30 am CST Annual Membership Meeting at Lincoln, NE

Tuesday November 13, 2012; 8:00 pm EST.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President - Ken Forster -entered at 9:15 pm.

V. President - Jim Doyle

Treasurer (Non Board) Patti Wattigney

Secretary -Trish Brandt-Robuck

Board Members:

Larry Lewellyn

Allen Davis

Kitty Tuck-Hampel-excused absence

Charles Poillion

Office Business:

Robin Turell, Office Manager

ALSA Office – October 9, 2012

The office has been very busy with posting the shows that took place in both September and October. This is very important because there have been many members needing to see if they are qualified for the GN.

1. I wanted to bring up the discussion of my proposal for a “booth” at the GN. We will have information available for the attendees of the GN and we will have a power point going which will have different items showcased. I would also like to decorate the booth with ribbons from different ALSA Nationals to enhance the theme of this GN, the 15th Anniversary. I will also have other items pertaining to the ALSA office.

Motion by Allen: An ALSA booth at the Grand Nationals

2nd by Trish

Motion carried

Motion by Larry to go into executive session at 8:15 pm

2nd by Allen

motion carried

Motion by Trish to Exit executive session at 8:52pm

2nd by Larry
Motion carried

2. Approved by BOD to have ALSA Grand National Special .

3. I will be prepared to be in the GN office on Thursday, (after the Face to Face BOD meeting) to help with the qualifying or any other questions posed, as I will have a copy of the database. I will then be prepared to “man” the booth on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

4. I had an email today from a member that wishes to obtain, (by purchasing), our email database for a once time email blast of his own. His purpose is to send the members an email regarding his ranch, his llamas, etc. How would you like to handle this? I also have a suggestion The ALSA office could, FOR A FEE, help with his email and send it out. How would you like to handle this?

Motion by Larry: To clarify ALSA will not sell email addresses.
2nd by Charles.
Motion carried

5. Another member contacted me This is concerning the showmanship and get of sire class – there is no GC or RC. In her area there are NO ALSA shows, she has shown in ILR. She has received both 1st and 2nd places in ILR shows in these classes. (the judges were both ALSA and ILR judges). She is willing to come and support ALSA if she is allowed.

BOD supports The Grand National Rules: only ILR Grand and Reserve animals may attend. Proof of placements must be provided.

Treasurer’s Report:
(Non Board) Patti Wattigney

Balance Sheet

September 30, 2012

Current Assets

Checking Accounts	\$3,952
Investment Account	58,396
Cash – Memorials	2,403
Total Current Assets	72,895

Total Assets \$ 72,895

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$ 0
Total Liabilities	\$ 0
Equity	
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 72,895
Balance on Hand September 30, 2012	\$ 72,895

Motion to approve treasurers report: Trish
 2nd: Allen
 Motion carried

Proceedings:

Old Business:

Motion by Larry: Minutes will be submitted to the BOD within 5 business days after meeting for approval, all corrections and/or additions must be sent within the next 5 business days.

2nd by Trish
 motion carried

New Business:

1) Letter from Niki Kuklenski.
 BOD agrees with information and corrections.

Committee Reports:

1) Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Allen)
 Chair: Kevin Sullivan

1) would like to propose that alpaca shows can divide large classes by age and color. The decision should be the supers decision. In small shows it is necessary to combine colors. When this is done there are usually very large yearling classes in the dark and fawns. It would be good for the show super to avoid classes with some exhibitors having more than two animals per class. If the super could breakdown by color this would avoid the conflict and make happy exhibitors.

BOD- return to committee for exact changes in Handbook that will be needed.

2) The alpaca committee has a (two) very experienced aoba judge that is going to attend our clinic. I would like the board allow this person to advance to a judge without going through apprenticeships. This person must be able to adhere to the also rules and guidelines and demonstrate their skills to the trainer.

BOD- No. All judges must be reviewed by the judges committee, and their recommendation is then submitted to the BOD.

Kevin Sullivan

2) Election Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Lougene Baird

No Report

3) Ethics: (liaison: Jim)

Chair: Paul Schwartz

No Report

4) Fiber Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

Date: October 3, 2012

Dear ALSA Board of Directors,

The Llama Fleece Committee had a productive conference call on Monday, October 1. We plan to update the Llama Fleece Judging Manual and work in conjunction with the Alpaca Committee to combine their updated Alpaca Fleece Manual into one "Fleece Manual" publication. Additionally, we will be working with the Alpaca Committee to create criteria for Llama & Alpaca Fleece Judges to recertify by way of Continuing Education Credits (CEC's). Once our committees come to a recommendation, we will forward it to the Judges Committee.

While awaiting direction from the BOD regarding our "Tabled" reports in June, July & August (per posted ALSA minutes), we continue to work together and look for ways to encourage participation and generate excitement within the ALSA fleece program.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Ruckman~

ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Chair

10-08-12:

Per the July 10 minutes posted on the ALSA website, "BOD needs more clarification of criteria for each section" for item #3 (below)

3. Pursuant to Item 1, we recommend that ALSA eliminate the ALSA Fleece ROM and ALSA Fleece Champion and replace these awards with ALSA Walking Fleece ROM, ALSA Shorn Fleece ROM, ALSA Walking Fleece Champion and ALSA Shorn Fleece Champion (tabulated via the results of each divisions classes). We believe that the addition of separate lifetime fleece championships will encourage participation and add clarity to the ALSA Fleece Championship status.

"Tabulated via the results of each divisions classes" would be as follows:

Proposed changes for ALSA Shorn Fleece ROM & ALSA Walking Fleece ROM – Part G, Section 3, B (page 33 of printed handbook)

9. Fiber Shorn Fleece 20

10. Walking Fleece 20

Proposed changes to ALSA Champion – Part G, Section 4,A (page 35 of the printed handbook)

5. ALSA Fiber Champion – Shorn, Walking (4-D)*

*using precedent set on G,4,A,4 (Performance Champion)

Proposed changes to the requirements for ALSA Shorn Fleece Champion and ALSA Walking Fleece Champion – Part G, Section 4, D (page 37 in printed handbook)

D. Requirements - Llama Fiber Shorn Fleece Champion

1. Placements before at least two different ALSA Llama Fiber Fleece Judges in ALSA sanctioned shows with a minimum of 6 in the division to qualify for Llama Fiber Shorn Fleece Champion status.

2. There is no time limit for earning this award.

3. To qualify for the title of Llama Fiber Shorn Fleece Champion, the llama must win four Grand Championships or three Grand Champions and two Reserve Grand Championships in ALSA Shorn Fleece classes at ALSA sanctioned Fleece Shows.

E. Requirements - Llama Walking Fleece Champion

1. Placements before at least two different ALSA Llama Fleece Judges in ALSA sanctioned shows with a minimum of 6 in the division to qualify for Llama Walking Fleece Champion status.

2. There is no time limit for earning this award.

3. To qualify for the title of Llama Walking Fleece Champion, the llama must win four Grand Championships or three Grand Champions and two Reserve Grand Championships in ALSA Walking Fleece classes at ALSA sanctioned Fleece Shows.

Are requirements are unchanged from “Llama Fiber Champion”.....we are just allowing llamas to accumulate Walking Fleece points from their Walking Fleece Classes and Shorn Fleece points from their Shorn Fleece classes. I hope that helps.

Cindy~

Motion by Larry to accept rule changes in 10/08/2012 email (above) and include changes in the Handbook effective January 1, 2013.

2nd by Jim.

Motion carried

5) Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair:

No Report

6) Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman

Dr. Michelle Kutzler has offered to give a half hour seminar regarding health issues of llamas.....ie parasites etc....We would like to have this following the Social Hour which is on Saturday night...4:00 PM...to approx.. 6:00-6:30PM....It would be so nice if we could have many exhibitors present.... Good education for our Exhibitors....

The BOD supports Dr. Kutzler as a speaker at this time.

7) Handbook Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair: Marcie Saska Agnew

No Report

8) Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Barb Harris

ALSA Judges' Committee

October 2012 Report

The Judges' committee would like to recommend that Robert Knuckles, who has successfully completed all of the requirements laid forth to him to become a Llama Fleece judge, be added to the Judges list as a Level Fleece judge.

Motion by Jim to approve Robert Knuckles as a Llama Fleece judge per the Judges committee.

2nd by Larry

Motion carried

Following the ALSA Fleece clinic held in August of 2012 several of the attendees have entered the apprenticeship program and 2 have completed their first apprenticeship at the Llamas of Central Colorado Fall Classic Llama show. The Judges' committee wishes to welcome all new apprentices and judges to the ALSA Judges program. We would also like to remind all of them that once they don the hat of a judge all of their actions and demeanor are forever viewed differently by their fellow llama owners. For this reason they must exhibit a higher standard of behavior in both word and action than previously expected of them.

At this time as chair I would like to submit the following for approval to the Judges' Committee – Margaret Henry from Texas and Maryan Baker from California. She will join the current Judges' committee which consists of the following judges:

Barb Harris – chair

Patti Morgan

Kevin Sullivan

Deb Yeagle

Respectfully submitted,

ALSA Judges' Committee

Barb Harris – chair

Patti Morgan

Kevin Sullivan

Deb Yeagle

Motion by Trish: to approve the addition of Margret Henry and Maryan Baker to the Judges Committee as of November 1, 2012.

2nd by Charles.

Motion carried.

9) Membership Committee: (liaison: Kitty)

Chair: Kathy Devall

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

October 2012 Report

At this time I would like to submit to the ALSA board for approval the following ALSA members for the ALSA Policy and Planning Committee:

Michele Batt – New York

Terese Evenson - Ohio

Tracy Weaver – Florida

I am hoping to obtain an additional member the Western United States to provide a nationwide view point.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Harris

Motion by Larry to approve recommendations from Policy and Planning committee for three additional members; Michele Batt, Threes Evenson, and Tracy Weaver.

2nd by Allen

Motion carried.

- 13) Promotion Committee: (liaison: Charles)
Chair: None
No Report

- 14) Protest Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Margaret Henry

October 8, 2012

ALSA BOD

Protest Committee Report

Our Committee members have the paperwork and are in the process of going through all the reports. We will try to have a recommendation on this matter for your BOD meeting at Grand Nationals.

Respectfully,

Margaret Henry

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

Sending internet version so it can be reviewed at GN.

- 16) Regional Committee: (liaison: Kitty)
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla
No Report
- 17) Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Sharon Carrier.
No Report
- 18) Web Site Committee: (liaison: Jim)
Chair: Ruby Herron
No Report
- 19) Youth Committee: (liaison: Charles)
Chair: Susan Leslie
No Report

Motion by Trish to adjourn et meeting

2nd by Jim

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 10:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Brandt-Robuck

October 15, 2012

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

AA)

08-21-12: Robin requested approval of two e-blast. One for SE Regional and one for National show.

Jim=yes; Trish=yes; Kitty=yes, Allen -abstention, Larry-abstention, Charles-abstention

08-23-12: Ken=yes; e-blast approved.

BB)

10-01-12: Ken requested approval of 3 e-blast received from the Nationals committee.

Kitty=yes; Charles=yes; Jim=yes; Larry=yes; Trish=yes; Allen=yes

10-03-12: E-blast approved.

DD)

Approval of Sept. 2012 minutes

Jim=yes; Allen=yes; Kitty=yes; Ken=yes, Larry-abstention, Charles-abstention

Kitty-one correction

Ken-one correction

10-08-12. Final draft approved.

EE)

10-03-12 :There is a payment of \$4,500.00 coming due payable to the Lancaster Event Center. I requesting approval for payment.

Thank You,

Patti Wattigney

ALSA Treasurer

10-02-12: Trish: Motion to approve. Jim seconded.

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

10-04-12: Motion carried.

FF)

10-07-12: Requested of Nationals e-blast concerning Youth Versatility award.

Jim-yes; Larry-yes; Charles-yes; Kitty-yes; Trish-yes, Allen-abstention

10-08-12: eblast approved