

**ALSA Board of Directors - Face to Face Meeting Minutes  
Lincoln, Nebraska - Thursday, October 27, 2011**

**Call to Order: 8:28 AM Central Standard Time**

Roll Call:

Ken Forster, ALSA President  
Maryan Baker, ALSA Vice-President  
Allen Davis, Board Member  
Larry Lewellyn, Board Member  
Marilyn Nenni, Board Member  
Stacey Forshee, Board Member  
Patti Wattigney, Treasurer (Non-Board Member)  
Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Office Manager

Absent: Keith Wattigney, ALSA Secretary  
Stacey Forshee, Board Member  
Patti Wattigney, Treasurer (Non-Board Member)

Maryan documenting the meeting minutes in the absence of the ALSA Secretary, Keith W.

**Treasurer's Report:** [\(Insert report\)](#)

**Old Business:**

1. Ken advised Marilyn that the October 11, 2011 Minutes were approved via the email and that they could be posted.
2. Request received from member regarding applying a refund from 2010 GN toward her 2011 GN entries. Motion made by Larry to allow the credit refund from the member's 2010 GN to be applied to the member's 2011 GN Show entries. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
3. Discussion by Board Members regarding the distribution of sponsorship money for GN Premiums. Motion made by Marilyn to set premium at \$100.00 per class, with payout at \$50.00 for 1st Place, \$30.00 for 2nd Place and \$20.00 for 3rd Place. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
4. ALSA Executive Secretary Applicants discussed by board. It was decided that two Special ALSA Board Meetings would be set up on November 8, 2011, and November 10, 2011, so that the applicants could be interviewed via conference phone calls. The interview procedure was discussed. Additional dates to be added if needed. The November 8th and November 10th meetings are set for the phone interviews with the applicants. The next regular ALSA Board Meeting is set for November 22, 2011.
5. Board discussion of the 2011 Regional Qualifiers that were implemented in April of 2011. Motion made by Maryan that the Regional Qualifier Show option not be continued for 2012. Second by Marilyn. Motion Passed.
6. Discussion of 2011 ALSA Regional Shows. With elimination of ALSA paying premiums, all of the ALSA Regional Shows were very successful. Board decided to lower regional show entry fees for 2012. Motion made by Maryan to lower the 2012 Regional fees for Halter, Novice, Advanced and Master Performance, Driving Division, Showmanship and any optional classes to \$25.00 per class with a flat rate option of \$80.00 per animal to include all classes entered with a single animal. Youth Class rates will be \$20.00 per class with a flat rate option of \$70.00 per youth for multiple classes. Second by Larry. Motion passed.

7. Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon, ALSA GN Superintendents joined the meeting and discussed facilities with the board. Malcolm advised he was working to negotiate some of the costs regarding stalls at the Lancaster Event Center. Malcolm advised that he was making a deposit to hold the Lancaster Event Center for 2012. The ALSA Board agreed unanimously that ALSA will have a 2012 GN Show and that it was a good idea to place a deposit for the 2012 GN in Lincoln, NE. The committee will also be investigating other possible facilities for ALSA's use.

The distribution of show premiums was discussed with Malcolm and Carol Ann. Checks will be mailed to all of the winners.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Cheryl advised that she needed authorization to pay 2nd deposit for the GN facility.

1. Motion by Allen to approve Cheryl Ryberg to issue check for the 2nd payment to the Lancaster Event Center. Second by Marilyn. Motion passed.
2. Discussion of the Youth Top Ten. Cheryl reported that 2010 Top Ten have been posted. Top 2009 and 2007 need to be uploaded. Estimated time frame is November 15, 2011.
3. Discussion with Cheryl regarding requirement to send copy of Data Base Program to ALSA President.
4. Discussion of complaints regarding animal ownership changed in past show results. Cheryl advised that she was working with computer programmer to set up system so that owner changes will be listed in the system. The changes proposed would allow a listing of prior owners. This change would resolve the member complaints as currently only the current owner of record is listed in the ALSA Data Base. Per Cheryl the changes to the system will allow a query of past owners, shows they attended and any awards or points they may have received. Implementation of this data change should resolve the problems associated with the complaints received from ALSA members regarding the data being changed when a new owner is listed for a llama or alpaca under the current method
5. Discussion with Cheryl regarding ALSA Membership form on .org and updating form.
6. Discussion with Cheryl regarding inactive members listed on the online membership directory. Since memberships are received at different times ALSA members that pay early for 2012 Membership renewal and the methodology used for documenting the data was also discussed.
7. Discussion of Software program that is ALSA property. Certified Letter will be sent to the member involved since the BOD has had no response to requests to return the software to ALSA.
8. Discussion of ALSA Property. Cheryl advised that ALSA has a lap top in the office which is approximately 10 years old. There is also a tape recorder that has been used to record Board Meetings. The New Database Program that ALSA was working on was discussed. Cheryl did not recall receiving a workable copy of the program. Marilyn expressed concern that ALSA Office was had received a copy of the database program and now it can't be located. Board requested Cheryl to report back by November 15, 2011, with information on copy of the Data.

New Business

1. Letter from non-ALSA Member discussed. Board agreed that Non-Member's show placing should be recorded in the ALSA Show Data Base as the non-Member did pay a non-Member fee for showing at the ALSA Sanctioned.

2. Marilyn discussed her vision for an ALSA Plan of Action for moving ALSA forward in the following areas; Membership, Communication, Accurate Show Results, Stability in ALSA, Handbook, Membership Directory, Showing Magazine, Service to the Membership, Positive Plan for Service and Correctness for the Office. This was tabled for the November 22, 2011 Meeting.
3. Larry discussed Ethics and Protest Committee functions and the possibility of combining these two committees. Motion by Larry to combine duties of Ethics and Protest Committees. Chair will be Jim Doyle with Keith as liaison. Second by Allen. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)  
Chair: Mary Reed - No Report
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)  
Chair: Lougene Baird  
Election Chair requested that the following committee members be approved:  
Committee Members: Sherry Adamcyk, Jerri Dunn  
Motion made by Marilyn to approve Sherry Adamcyk and Jerry Dunn as committee members. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Larry)  
Chair: Jim Doyle - No report
4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)  
Chair: Cindy Ruckman - No Report
5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Larry)  
Chair: No Report
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)  
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon  
Request from the Grand National Committee to purchase a new 2012 ShoWorks program for \$239.00. This is less expensive than the cost to renew the old for \$350.  
Motion made by Maryan to approve the new 2012 ShoWorks Program for the 2012 GN.  
Second by Larry. Motion Passed.
7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)  
Chair: Wally Baker  
Review handbook changes already approved for 2012. All Handbook changes received to date have been made. The final index and page formatting has not been done as this will change if any other Handbook changes are made.  
  
*Discussion:*  
The Board looked at prototype of ALSA Handbook to a binder inserted format so that cost savings could be implemented. Significant savings to ALSA printing costs.
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)  
Chair: Doug Overman - No Report
9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)  
Chair: Need to fill  
Marilyn Nenni to be new Liaison to the Membership Committee
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Carolyn Myers - No Report

11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)

Chair: Eileen Ditsler - No Report

12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Barb Harris

### **ALSA Policy and Planning Committee Report**

**October 2011**

**There have been items presented to the Policy and Planning Committee for discussion and input. The following are the items and the feelings of the Policy and Planning Committee:**

Item 1: The question has been brought up if all people showing at ALSA shows should be required to have ALSA numbers or should the Non-Member fee be raised?

**At this time the committee doesn't feel that attendance at ALSA shows should be restricted to ALSA members only. We should be encouraging new llama owners rather than placing boundaries in their way. Also with the economy Non-member fees should not be raised.**

Item 2: Should all animals showing at ALSA shows be required to have a recording number?

**The committee feels that ALSA numbers should only be required for animals showing in an ALSA Regional or as it now stands at the ALSA Grand Nationals.**

Item 3: Review of the Estes Park show complaints and suggest any rule changes concerning that issue.

**The committee feels that judges must be more consistent with moving animals that fail to fit the class they are currently showing in. It is also the belief of the committee that some type of rule be in place to prevent "class shopping" by exhibitors.**

Item 4: Concerns youth. At last year's Nationals a youth was given approval to us another animal because his had died. It turned out that the animal he used was a performance champion and the youth placed very well at Nationals. We would like the rule reviewed concerning youth and substitute animal for Nationals.

**The committee believes that this rule should remain as written. There is no way of knowing that the animal the youth originally had was not of comparable standards as the one it was replaced with. If rules are made restricting the purchase and subsequent showing of a performance champion animal by a youth there would be a precedence established where by exhibitors of any age could be restricted from buying and exhibiting performance champions or halter champions. These types of rules could lead to declines in llama sales at a time when llama breeders/owners are already struggling with lagging sales.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
ALSA Policy and Planning Committee  
Barbara Harris – Chair  
Patti Morgan  
Tracy Weaver  
Michelle Batt**

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Need to fill - No Report

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)  
Chair: Need to fill - No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)  
Chair: Mary Adams - No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)  
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla  
a. Review of October report received too late for meeting.
17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)  
Chair: Bill Schultz  
Board accepted resignation of Bill Schultz as chair.  
During the Board discussion Larry left the meeting.
18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)  
Chair:
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)  
Chair: Susan Leslie

Other Business:

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

- 10-14-11 Approved email titled News from Nationals
- 10-15-11 Approved email titled ALSA News
- 10-22-11 Approved email titled ALSA news Update
- 10-24-11 Approved eblast titled Never to Late
- 10-24-11 Approve eblast membership 3 days left
- 10-24-11 Approve ALSA Board minutes

Motion by Allen to adjourn the ALSA Board meeting at 6:00 PM Central Time.  
Second by Maryan. Motion Passed