ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting February 15,2011

Meeting was called to order at 8:19 p.m. EST. by President, Ken Forster

ROLL CALL:

Members present:

President Ken Forster
V. President Cathie Kindler
Treasurer Tom Parsons

Board Members

Allen Davis Staci Forshee

Trish Brandt-Robuck

Office Manager-Cheryl Ryberg

Next Board Meetings: Tuesday, March 8,2011 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

PROCEEDINGS: OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Member asking about doing ALSA Logo on clothing. ALSA would get a percentage.

BOD: Like idea but need more details.

- 2. Member asking about Performance advancement to next level.
 - a. After 6 Grand Champion placements for Advanced MUST move into Masters. (4 required but 6 is optional due to Elite Champion rules)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2011

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash: \$34,778
Cash-Investment Account: 52,523
Cash-Memorials 2,831
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 90,132

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 90,132

EQUITY

Retained Earnings

\$ 90,132

a. Tom provided monthly profit and loss statement and a financial forecast.

OFFICE BUSINESS: Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

OFFICE REPORT:

As you can see on the Show Report (I have attached in Excel as well as PDF File), our Sanctioned Shows continue to pour in.

I have been working with Sharon Carrier regarding the ShoWorks Software for Grand National. She assures me that she will have a report ready for the March meeting. We are hopeful to have a trial entry accomplished before summer.

We set up a 2011 ALSA Grand National site on Facebook and within a few days have 36 people that will get weekly, at minimum, updates regarding the National, ALSA and the qualifying process.

The first 2 shows have been received and recorded and sent to the website. The database will have to be turned over to 2011 before they can be seen, but this work is under way.

The office is still chipping away at the NSF Checks from 2010.

Cheryl Ryberg ALSA Office

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Stacie)

Chair: Mary Reed

All members of the Alpaca Committee confirmed with the Chairman of the committee that their ALSA membership dues would be paid by the end of January.

The committee received two requests during the past month. The first was for the ALSA office to make available the results of ALSA Alpaca Shows to Openherd.com. Openherd is an independent website that maintains a database of publicly available information on the alpaca industry, and actively markets alpacas on a fee basis. Show results are listed, which are taken from the AOBA published show results on the AOBA website. The ALSA Alpaca committee supports the listing of show results on Openherd. Cheryl confirmed that she will be able to list alpaca show results on the ALSA website within the next month. Once the ALSA show results are available to the public, Openherd.com will have access to them to include

them in their show reporting.

The second request was for ALSA sanctioned alpaca shows to be listed on the ALSA website. Cheryl confirmed that she lists shows on the ALSA website when she receives its sanctioning application. The committee will remind show managers to send in their sanctioning applications so that they can be listed.

Motion by Cathie: Approve Alpaca report and approval of Openherd.com to have ALSA Alpaca show results.

2nd by Tom:

Carried

2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Lougene Baird

The 2011 General Election is in its second month of the petitioning process. As of this date, the committee has not received any Petition to Nominate Forms from the membership. In reviewing the ALSA website, we believe that it is difficult to find the Petition Form. Notice in the upper left hand quadrant of the Home Page, in red print the word NEW. Under the word NEW in black print is 2010 Election Results. A person has to be curious about last years election results to find this year. Petition to Nominate Form! We would like to suggest a simple change to the Home Page. Now that the 2010 Election Results are no longer NEW, rename this to 2011 Petition to Nominate Form and make a direct link to the Form!

The Committee is requesting the name of the Nomination Committee Board Liaison, Chair and each Region's representative/member so this committee is familiar with whom we will be working. The Election Committee would like to work with the Nomination Committee early in the petitioning process. Possible candidates need time to ponder if each has the time, energy and commitment to serve on the ALSA Board. An early start in the process perhaps might assure this.

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair:

No Report

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

BOD: Returned report to fiber committee, need consistency in criteria for Halter, Fiber and Performance recertification, and CEC requirements.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)

Chair:

See Treasurer's Report above.

Motion by Trish; to approve the 2011 Budget.

2nd by Allen

Carried Unanimously

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Tom)

Chair: Malcolm and Carolann Tallman

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The Grand National will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska in 2011.

- 1. The Theme for 2011 ALSA Grand Nationals is Mardi Gras.
- 2. Discussing the scoring program for halter
- 3. Trophies are being discussed
- 4. The show dates are 10/28 thru 10/30/11
- 5. Judges will be announced shortly

Carol Ann Tallmon Malcolm Tallmon

Motion by Cathie: \$195 for an instructional video on using Showworks, a showprogram

we are reviewing that will be used for Grand Nationals.

2nd by Allen Carried

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Wally Baker

Attached is updated 16th Edition ALSA Handbook. All changes have gone into effect January 1, 2011. Also attached is a reference guide as to location of handbook edits. Upon your approval, handbook can be posted on ALSA website for membership. I have also provided an estimate for printed handbook if Board is interested.

Motion by Trish: Accept new 16th editiion of the Handbook, post it to the web.

2nd by Allen:

Carried Unanimously

BOD: need shipping and handling costs.

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Doug Overman

The list of Judges for the National Show both Halter and Performance received and forwarded to the Grand National Committee.

Motion by Tom: to Approve the list of judges for Grand Nationals

2nd by Cathie

Carried

The Judges committee recommends to the BOD for approval to recertify the following judges by CEC points.

 Allen Davis
 Wally Baker
 Hank Kaufman
 Margret Henry
 Llama Halter and Performance Llama Halter and Performance Llama Halter and Performance 5. Beth Myers
 6. Ken Forster
 7. Maryan Baker
 8. Mike Swanson
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Motion by Cathie: Approve Judges who certified by CEC requirements. 2nd by Tom:

Carried

The Judges Committee seeks BOD approval on these rules for Reinstatement of Judges . Part S, Section 3

- C. Judges who have relinquished their ALSA judging certification may apply for reinstatement as follows:
- 1.If application is received by the Judges Committee within three years of the date Judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC:
- a. Judge must make written application to Judges committee for reinstatement.
- b.Judge must be an ALSA member in good standing.
- c. Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, protests.
- d.All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.
- e.Judge must complete all missed annual reports and judges tests.
- f.Judge must pay all missed annual judges dues to ALSA.
- g.Judges committee will recommend reinstatement of Judge to the ALSA BOD.
- h.Judge, reinstated, will forfeit prior years earned seniority with regard to judging ALSA National and Regional Shows and taking apprentices.
- i. Judge will be required to attend advanced clinic or recertify by CEC on date as previously required prior to relinquishment of judging certification.
- 2. application is received by the Judges Committee more than three years of the date judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC and less than 5 years from last certification/recertification:
- a. Judge candidate must make written application to Judges committee to re-enter Judges program.
- b. Judge candidate must be an ALSA member in good standing.
- c.Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, protests.
- d.All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.
- e.Judge candidate must pay annual judges dues to ALSA.
- f.Judge candidate will be approved to attend an advanced judging clinic in areas of prior certification.
- g. Upon achievement of 85% score at clinic(s), Judges committee will recommend certification of Judge Candidate to ALSA BOD.
- h. Judge, reinstated, will forfeit prior years earned seniority with regard to judging ALSA National and Regional Shows and taking apprentices.
- 3. If application is received by the Judges Committee more than three years of the date judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC and more than 5 years from last certification/recertification:
- a. Judge candidate must make written application to Judges committee to re-enter program as apprentice.

b. Judge candidate must be an ALSA member in good standing.

c. Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, or protests.

d.All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.

e.Judge candidate must pay annual apprentice/judges dues to ALSA

f.Judge candidate will be approved to enter the judges program as an apprentice, subject to judges training requirements for apprentices then in effect.

g. Prior years earned seniority will be forfeited.

Motion by Cathie: Approve the new Handbook rule for reinstatement of Judges Rules, effective immediately February 15, 2011.

2nd by Allen Carried

The Judges Committee requests ALSA BOD approval to hold a one day Owner/Breeder clinic on Saturday, March 26, at Glenn Unzicker's farm, in connection with an a beginning/advanced llama halter Judging clinic. We request special pricing of \$75.00 per person with a minimum of 20, for the Owner/Breeder clinic. The Unzicker's are very excited about holding the judging clinic and breeder clinic at their farm. They intend to provide, at no cost to ALSA, all facility and food for both the judging and owner/breeder clinics. The Unzickers have a large 4-H group 40 members and are very well known in the llama industry. They believe that 20-50 owner/breeders will attend the clinic, and have requested special pricing. the Glenn Unzicker intends to contact his network of breeders to encourage them to attend this event. In addition, we request that the ALSA office send an e-mail to the membership to inform them of this opportunity. If they need help formulating it please let the committee know. We are grateful to the Unzickers for their generosity.

Motion by Tom: To approve Owner/Breeder clinic at Unzicker's farm . 2nd by Cathie: Carried

Thank you for your consideration and time with these matters
Judges Committee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Mary Reed
Barb Harris
Cindy Ruckman

9. Membership Committee: (liaison:Ken)

Chair: Looking for Chair

No Report

10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Carolyn Meyers

No Report

11. Performance Committee (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Melanie McMurrey

No Report

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

Chair: Barb Harris

I would like to inform you that the Policy and Planning committee is of an unanimous vote that the ALSA Elite Champion not be changed in any way. It has been an established award for many years with clear requirements. At this time there are several small breeders who have obtained this award with one of their llamas.

There are other options available for owners in which to produce offspring for a male they wish to evaluate without all of the offspring coming from their ranch. One such option is to offer outside breedings for a reduce amount with the understanding that the subsequent offspring will be available for showing in halter and get of sire.

At this time we are discussing the possibility of creating other awards that will reflect accomplishments of llamas .

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair:

No Report

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Ulin Andrew

15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Leigh Snyder

The BOD regrets receiving the resignation of the Publications Chair Leigh Snyder. She spent countless hours trying to publish a hard copy of the ALSA Showring publication and keep the cost down. Thank you Leigh for all your hard work.

The software purchased will be sent to Ken.

16. Regionals Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

The BOD received a very detailed summary of 2010 financials for Regionals. The many varied costs and having shows combined with other shows vs. single shows were included.

Cost reduction suggestions, and ideas were incorporated with the report.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Bill Schultz

No Report

18. Web site Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Steve Katzakian

No Report

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)

Chair: Penny Davidson

No Report

MEMBER'S LETTERS TO THE BOD:

Member's letters and/or email were reviewed by the BOD. These were discussed and sent to committee when required.

- 1. Letter re: Regional suggestions
- 2. Letter re: Request for member information for area shows.
- 3. Letter re: Member letter regarding youth and ILR

Motion to adjourn by Cathie

Seconded by Trish

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:50 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted, Trish Brandt-Robuck Acting Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED:

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

BOD policy: email motions need a second to be attached to the minutes.

Jan 24, 2011

Motion by Tom to accept Youth Regional Rules as written below effective 01-01-2011. Seconded by Trish. Motion Carried.

Change to:

Section 15. Qualifying for Regional Championships

The Youth qualifying criteria for ALSA Regional Championships shall be as follows:

A. No Pre-Qualification required.

B. All Youth exhibiting in a Regional Championship must be Youth members of ALSA.

C. Youth members may participate in Regional Show of choice.

In addition, there is no limit on number of Regional Championships a person may attend.

D.All other qualifying rules shall be in accordance with applicable rules in Part E of the Handbook.