

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting  
March 12,2010**

Meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. EST.  
by President, Tom Parsons

**ROLL CALL:**

Members present:

President Tom Parsons  
V. President Cathie Kindler  
Secretary Trish Brandt-Robuck  
Treasurer Keith Wattigney

Board Members

Bob LaMorte  
Ken Forster  
Bill Feick

Office Manager-Cheryl Ryberg

Next Board Meetings: Tuesday, April 13,2010 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

**PROCEEDINGS:**

1. February minutes approved by email vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

2. New 2010 Points Chart approved for email blast.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Amendment to February minutes:
  - a. correction in February minutes under handbook was accepted by the BOD.
2. ALSA not interested in ILR proposal as written, asking for funds to help sponsor the ILR 25th Anniversary Shows.
3. Great Lakes -under regionals report

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2010

**ASSETS**

Current Assets

Cash: \$ 26,967

Cash-Investment Account: 88,513

Cash-Memorials 5,434

**TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 120,914**

FIXED ASSETS	
Software	28,015
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$148,929</u>
EQUITY 4	
Retained Earnings	<u>\$148,929</u>

- a. The monthly profit and loss statement was provided and a comparison with last year.

OFFICE BUSINESS: Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Many new shows have sanctioned. We are currently working with a couple of new shows that should be posted next month.

The ALSA Show Number sale has been very successful.

The office has processed over 300 youth top ten award certificates and they have been mailed.

We are working hard to keep the shows updated on the website within a week of the date that they arrive at the office.

The new phone system has been installed and we will shortly have the new cable line in as well.

OPG finally sent the code for the database.

Cheryl Ryberg  
ALSA Office.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Cathie)  
Chair: Mary Reed  
No Report

2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Lougene Baird  
Election Committee Report – March 3, 2010

The Day of Record for the 2010 General Election is Thursday, April 22, 2010. To receive a ballot, dues must be received by the ALSA office by the close of business on the Day of Record. This gives the ALSA office ample time to record dues, establish the list of current members, produce and deliver labels to the printer/mail agent for mailing. Ballots will be mailed to all members in good standing during the second week in May as described in the ALSA Standing Rules. In addition to dues being paid, a member in good standing is defined as not having been suspended for infraction of ALSA rules or received permanent suspension by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors.

The ALSA Standing Rules require the ALSA Board of Directors to inform the Election Committee that challenges are resolved by the Board of Directors. When notified, the Election Committee may destroy ballots after October 15. The Election Committee requests the ALSA Board vote regarding the status of any challenges and inform the Election Committee that it may destroy ballots from the 2009 General Election.

The committee has entered into a working agreement with McCall Scanlon & Tice, LLC CPAs to tally the results of the 2010 General Election. The firm will receive all ballots through the deadline, June 5, 2010. The ballots will be tallied by three counters on Monday, June 7, 2010, the first business day following the close of balloting. No counters will be ALSA members or associated with ALSA. The firm plans to certify results the day of counting.

BOD ACCEPTS REPORT

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Bill )

Chair: Margaret Henry

Ethics Committee Report:

The ethics committee has four members at this time. They are Toni Strassberg- Pearce of Cilcoot, CA, Jim Doyle of Krum, TX, Ellen Goldsmith of Gardnerville, NV and myself, Margaret Henry.

We are in the process of looking for one more member.

When we have a full committee we will be reviewing the Ethics section of the ALSA handbook for an interpretation and recommendation.

BOD ACCEPTS REPORT.

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

Subject: ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Report for the March 2010

I am pleased to inform you of the ALSA Llama Fleece Committee's current discussion points.

Old Business –

1. Letter from Nov. re: fiber vs. wool in class list.

BOD- sent

2. copy of the December Alpaca Committee Report for review.

BOD-sent

Per the clarification requested from the BOD in the Feb. 8 BOD minutes, we recommend the following

ALSA Handbook: Page 21. D, Section 1, J, 8: Eliminate "Alpaca Fiber Show". listed are only Llama Fleece Classes.

~~8. Llama or Alpaca Fiber Fleece Shows~~

change to

B. Llama Fleece shows

BOD accepts report and change.

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

Chair:

See Treasurer's Report above.

Financial review as of 2/28/10:

Balance Sheet:

Cash position continues to be strong. All accounts were reconciled to bank statements.

\$7,000 transferred to the checking account 3/7/10. Will review upcoming cash needs with Cheryl, determine if some \$\$ can be sent to the Investment account - earn a little interest..

Income Statement:

No surprises other than the facility rent for the 2009 Western Regional - \$542.25.

Membership Revenue (Youth and Adult) in line with 2 months 2009 - good news!

Show fees also in good shape compared to prior year. \$1,505.00 for animal recording - the promotion is working!

New Silver Sponsor for the National Show, Mary and Rick Adams.

2 month Profit 2010 - \$7,052.74 - A good start.

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Tom)

Chair: Malcolm and Carolann Tallman

We have confirmed our judges:

Halter: Mary Ann Baker  
Danielle Wagner  
Deb Yeagle

Performance: Wally Baker  
Margaret Henry

BOD accepts report.

1. Bob will check on Ribbon costs for 2011.

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Bob)

Chair: Wally Baker

Motion by Ken: Approve Feb 23 email for performance from Wally with the correction from Ken.

2nd by Trish  
carried unanimously

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

Chair: Susan Tellez

## Judge Committee Report - March 2010

I. Attached is the current active list of Judges who have paid 2010 Dues and are current on their Judge Certification .

II. LLAMA Halter Certification Clinics with Training and Certification for judging up to 25 Alpacas

A.. MAY 21-24, Bend Oregon - Aloha Llamas, Doug and Sherry Sheridan, Judie Moser, Coordinator

\*\*\* FLEECE CLINIC and Training may be held if a minimum of 10 attendees are signed up by 1 May 2010.

Motion by Ken: Approve Bend Oregon Clinic

2nd by Bob

Carried Unanimously

B. Sept 1-4, Colorado Springs, CO - Douglas County Fairgrounds, Barb Harris, Coordinator

BOD- requests a more centrally located sight for Central and East Coast Judges.

There are approximately 30 judges and Apprentices requiring Certification in 2010.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken )

Chair: Jim Rutledge

Committee is going to call members from 2009 who have not renewed for 2010.

10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Bill )

Chair: Carolyn Myers

No Report

11. Performance Committee (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Melanie McMurrey

No report

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

Chair: Debra Perry

Motion by Bob: add Kitty Tuck-Hampel to committee  
2nd Ken  
carried unanimously

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith )  
No Report

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)  
Chair: Doug Overman  
No Report

15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken )  
Chair: Leigh Snyder

1. The photographer from Grand Nationals has sent me a CD.
2. sending pages of Showring for BOD final approval of content.
3. Will have 1000 copies printed.

16. Regionals Committee: (liaison: Keith )  
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla.

Report from Regional Committee to the ALSA Board of Directors for March.

Superintendents and Committee Members in all Regions are working hard to make the 2010 Regional Championships successful events and hoping to increase attendance this year. Several Regions are proposing to piggy-back with other shows, which will save exhibitors travel expenses and reduce facility costs. We are also looking at ways to reduce the cost of ribbons without diminishing the prestige of the Regional Championships.

There are a couple of questions which all Regional Superintendents need to have answered in order to make specific plans and draft budget proposals:

1. Will the Qualifying Criteria in Part E, Section 2D of the ALSA Handbook be required for animals to enter the Regional Championships this year?

2. Will the class list for the Regional Championships be the same as last year?

Motion by Trish: #1. Consistant with last 2 years, no qualifying rules for Regionals.

#2. Shorn and Walking fiber is optional providing no cost to ALSA

2nd by Keith

Carried Unanimously

The current status of each Region is as follows:

Eastern: To be held on October 2 & 3, 2010, at the same facility as last year.

Southeastern: No changes from last year proposed at this time.

Buckeye: Exhibitors in the Buckeye and Great Lake Regions were surveyed by e-mail about possibly combining the Regional Championships in order to increase attendance and cut costs. However, it appeared from the responses that the increased travel expense would be a deterrent for exhibitors. The Buckeye Regional Championship will stay where it was last year with Mike Haumschild as superintendent.

Great Lakes: This Region has submitted a proposal to have its Regional Championship on September 17 & 18, 2010, in conjunction with an LFA show in Cedar Rapids, and is waiting for Board approval of that change of venue. Also need approval of Edie Benusa to be the new superintendent and Ken Forster to be the judge.

Motion by Keith: combine Great Lakes with LFA show in Cedar Rapids.

2nd by Cathie.

Carried Unanimously

Motion by Trish: to accept Ken as judge.

2nd by Cathie.

Carried Unanimously

Motion by Ken: to approve Edie Benusa as superintendent

2nd by Cathie.

Carried Unanimously

Central: This Region requests approval to have its Championship in conjunction with the Tulsa State Fair with Brenda Foulks as superintendent. It worked well to piggy-back these shows last year.

Motion by Ken

2nd by Bill

Carried Unanimously



Rocky Mountain: This Region is waiting for Board approval of a cost-sharing proposal to have this Regional Championship on Labor Day weekend in conjunction with the LOCC Fall Classic with Barb Harris as superintendent. This would cut ALSA's facility expense considerably from last year and should also increase attendance.

Motion by Bob: to combine Regionals and LOCC on Labor Day Weekend  
2nd by Cathie  
Carried Unanimously

Western: The Northwestern and Southwestern Regions will be combined again this year. Discussions are underway about whether to move the Championship back to Santa Rosa, California, to be held during the first weekend of October in conjunction with the Harvest Fair show, or to leave it in Fallon, Nevada, where it was last year.

Motion by Trish: to combine Northwestern and South West Regionals for 2010.  
2nd by Ken  
Carried Unanimously

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Bob)

Chair: Larry Laux  
No Report

18. System Program for ALSA (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Steve Katzakian  
No Report

19. Web site Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Steve Katzakian  
No report  
Webmistress: Joy Pedroni  
1. email from Joy to BOD with her email address.

20. Youth Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Christie Stewart  
No report

**MEMBER'S LETTERS TO THE BOD:**

Member's letters and/or email were reviewed by the BOD.  
1. Email regarding 25th Anniversary.

Motion to adjourn by Cathie  
Seconded by Bill  
MEETING ADJOURNED: 12:07 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trish Brandt-Robuck  
Secretary

**EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:**

BOD policy:

1. email motions need a second to be attached to the minutes.
2. Ignoring or not voting for an email motion will be considered an abstention.