

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
October 22, 2009**

Meeting was called to order at 8:11 a.m. CST.
by President, Julie Heggie
Face to Face at ALSA Grand Nationals

ROLL CALL:

Members present:
Julie Heggie-President
Cathie Kindler - Vice President
Trish Brandt-Robuck - Secretary
Tom Parsons-Treasurer
Bob LaMorte - Board Member
Keith Wattigney - Board Member
Ken Forster - Board Member
Cheryl Ryberg- Office Manager

Next Board Meetings: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New ALSA System Application and Database

Les Flynn and Joy Pedroni gave a presentation on the trial of inputting a dual show with fiber show, and a single show, and then having a person, Joy try to enter shows. This real life testing was extremely cumbersome, with some basic errors, no changes allowed, entering the same animal over and over for each new class, etc... The committee felt the show superintendents would not spend 3 hours or more inputting a single show, and 6 hours for a double show, and 1,134 classes to choose from. Also it was extremely time consuming for a member to enter a show, and any error would cause the member to completely re- enter information. This is unsatisfactory and the program would definitely not be utilized. Therefore we are reviewing the best course of action to rectify this. Need to create requirements for all facets of system.

Motion by Ken to have committee write up requirements for system.
seconded by Keith
carried

2. ALSA awards listed on ILR Certificates

a. It was decided ALSA no longer was interested in this. Some new ideas are being pursued.

3. VP Corporate Book (Trish copying all old minutes to computer)

4. Letter to member regarding position on election. Cathie writing letter

5. Judges committee report from October 13, 2009 meeting per request to move this item till the face to face due to content and length.

ALSA JUDGE COMMITTEE - REPORT to the ALSA BOD - September 2009

The ALSA Judge Committee submits these Items [I. thru IV.] for review and APPROVAL

[I.] REQUEST APPROVAL FOR:

2009 PROPOSAL - for Change to the present Judge Program -

REQUIREMENTS to ADVANCE to ALSA SENIOR JUDGE STATUS

ALSA Judges must meet these minimum requirements prior to making application for Advancement to ALSA SENIOR JUDGE STATUS.

The ALSA Judge must have :

1. Maintained current ALSA Judge Status in good standing for a minimum of 3 years.
Motion by Cathie
Seconded by Bob
passed
2. A minimum of 3 positive Evaluations from Show Superintendents
Motion by Cathie
Seconded by Bob
passed
3. NO Negative reviews, comments or unprofessional behavior noted on file
*[Unprofessional behavior may be documented by negative or derogatory Comments regarding other judges, exhibitors, Superintendents or ALSA shows and/or activity.
Motion by Cathie
2nd NO second
Discussion requirements for moving up, is it forever?
What about moving down.
NEED CLARIFICATION
4. Judged a minimum of 7 Shows since the most recent Certification
Motion by Bob
Seconded by Cathie
passed
5. Judged a minimum of 2 Full Shows with more than 85 Individual llamas\alpacas entered in Halter and Performance (this does not mean 85 total entries)
Motion by Cathie
Seconded by Bob
passed
6. Judged a minimum of 3 Full Shows with 55-85 Individual Entries
Motion by Bob
Seconded by Keith
passed

7. Judged 2 shows which included multiple entries in Youth Judging & Driving
Motion by Trish
Seconded by Cathie
passed

8. Completed a current CEC Report
Motion by Bob
Seconded by Cathie
passed

9. Completed all preceding Annual Judge Reports
Motion by Bob
Seconded by Trish
passed

10. Completed a Clinic which includes training for basic Walking Fleece Trait evaluation.

SEND FOR REWRITE

11. Successfully completed an Advanced Judges Clinic, with a score over 85%
Motion by Bob
Seconded by Tom
passed

12. Extensive experience and knowledge to apply for a waiver of requirements.
Those Judges desiring Certification for Combination Judging of the minimum number (25) of Alpacas, Fleece, or Walking Fleece entries, must complete all 10 points above, plus must Pass with a score over 85%, a Training and Certification Clinic covering Alpacas and Fleece.

Motion by Cathie
No 2nd

SEND BACK FOR MORE DETAIL

[II.] REQUEST APPROVAL for Change

QUALIFICATIONS for ALSA REGIONAL and NATIONAL SHOW JUDGES

An ALSA Member and Judge in current good standing with no negative reviews, comments or reports in the files

Not be a member of the BOD or Major Committee Chairperson with policy-making authority within another SHOW organization.

Have ALSA SENIOR JUDGE Status with a minimum of 5 years judging experience

Have judged a Regional Show before selection as an ALSA Grand National Judge

Have attended or audited a recent Advanced Judge Clinic and/or attended Annual Judges Meeting for knowledge of current update, guidelines and rules.

Motion by BOB
Seconded by TOM
Passed

[III.] Recommendation **APPROVAL** for the following Changes to
WALKING FIBER \ FLEECE Criteria and Judging guidelines

PART H. Llama Show Classes

Section 3. Approved Llama Fiber Classes

A.2. Walking Fiber

ADD c. Walking Fiber Length Divisions

PRIMARY - a minimum of 3"length of Fiber over the body, to include the prime fiber area, OR a PATCH [6"X 6"] of 3"long Fiber on the Mid-side.

SECONDARY - a minimum of 3"length of Fiber over the extended neck, shoulder, hip and leg areas; prime body area may be shorn

PART O. FIBER

Section I. Llama Fiber

B. Llama Walking Fiber Class

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1. The judge is required to be a certified ALSA Llama Fiber Judge,
OR a Senior Halter Judge with Certification for judging the Minimum number (25) of Llama Walking Fleece or Alpacas\ Alpaca Walking Fleece.
2. Use the same age and fiber divisions as for shorn fiber class, **and then Divide by PRIMARY or SECONDARY for the appropriate Prime Fleece Length**

Motion by BOB- SEND TO FLEECE COMMITTEE

Seconded by KEN

PASSED

SEND TO FLEECE COMMITTEE

Section 3. Alpaca Walking Fleece Class

The judge is required to be a certified ALSA Alpaca Fleece Judge, **OR a Senior Halter Judge with Certification to judge the minimum number (25) Of Alpaca or Llama Walking Fleece**

SEND TO ALPACA COMMITTEE FOR CLARIFICATION

[IV.] Request **APPROVAL** for the following:

CLINIC DESCRIPTIONS

This Proposed Format below is to accommodate the 37 judges and Apprentices scheduled for Certification Clinics in 2010; these are split half/half for WEST and EAST location.

This will require 3-4 Instructors, for llama, alpaca and fleece presentations

Could include Beginner Information and Owner attendee Session if requested

[A.] ALTERNATIVEADVANCED (or Combo) JUDGES CLINICS will include Training and Testing \Certification for both Llama and Alpaca in an extended 5-Day Format, in Western and Eastern Locations, to allow Judges and Apprentices to

participate in all aspects of ALSA judging

1. Halter – Llama and Alpaca

Performance – including Driving

Youth and Youth Judging

Walking Fleece – Llama and Alpaca

Shorn Fleece – Llama and Alpaca

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[B.] **BEGINNER and EDUCATIONAL THEORY PRESENTATIONS** and **UPDATED Rules and Guidelines** may be presented to Judges Apprentices and Owners in a combined session, at an Advanced Judges Clinic, if there is demand and a Host in that location

[C.] **ALSA FLEECE CLINICS** - will include Training and Certification for both Llama and Alpaca Fleece, and may incorporate Owner Education Portions when there is demand.

There will be an East and West Fleece Clinic for 2010 to accommodate the Apprentices (ALL due in 2010 to complete 3rd year Apprentice requirements) and Judges. Most Fleece Judges will not be due for a Recertification Clinic until 2011

Alpaca and Llama Fleece Committees will coordinate with the Instructors for the training Materials and Formats for these combined ALSA FLEECE CLINICS, as well as be prepared to present and test during the 5-Day Combined Advanced Judge Clinics East and West.

[D. The **Prior 3-Day Halter, ADVANCED\BEGINNER JUDGE** Clinics for Halter, Youth Performance and/or Fleece for (Llama \ Alpaca) may be held for locations unable to accommodate the 5-Day Combo Format.

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Respectfully Submitted to the ALSA BOD

5 October 2009

Susan Tellez-Chair

ALSA Judge Committee

6. Letter from member, response from Bob.
7. Tom to call about the Kentuckian show.
8. Letter from member response by Trish.
9. Letter written by Cheryl to member in response to Youth Placements

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Office is overwhelmed when Regionals are just 2 weeks prior to Nationals, consider more time between these major events.
2. Ideas to increase membership,
i.e. Bring in X new members , receive free membership, or free llama

ALSA number

Recommend these ideas go to membership committee.

3. Structure for National Face to Face with membership.
 - a. meeting from 7:30 am to 9:30 a.m. CST.
 - b. President takes question, passes to BOD member for reply.
4. All show superintendents will be sent a letter of appreciation signed by the BOD. Signatures were taken and will be scanned and sent to Office.

MEMBER'S LETTERS TO THE BOD:

Member's letters and/or email were reviewed by the BOD.

1. Letter proposing bylaw changes sent to committee to review and advise.
2. Letter regarding Mission Statement missing in 15th edition. This information was sent to Wally Baker, Handbook committee to correct and add to next edition.

Motion to adjourn by Cathie
Seconded by Keith
MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:06 p.m. CST.

Respectfully submitted,
Trish Brandt-Robuck
Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED: