Board Minutes From Meeting January 10, 2006

President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. EDT

Members present:

Penny Davidson – President Barb Laux – Vice President Jeff Jones – Treasurer Wally Baker – Secretary Tami Lash – Board Member Lora Crawford – Board Member Julie Heggie – Board Member

Barb moved and Jeff seconded that the minutes from the November 10, 2006 meeting be approved. Tami opposed. Motion passed.

According to the ALSA attorney, Board business e-mail voting for next 30 days is acceptable until a formalized procedure is finalized. The ALSA Attorney is working on a formal e-mail procedure.

A recommendation was made to have a separate page in the ALSA directory listing Board members and their contact information for easier reference. Barb will notify Handbook Committee of the request.

A link from the ALSA website to Board members e-mail to create a direct line of communication from the membership was also discussed. The ALSA office and Website Committee will explore further.

Treasurers Report

 Checking:
 \$32,327.95

 Investment:
 \$107,037.18

 Scholarship Fund:
 \$11,600.57

 Linda Pierce Memorial Fund:
 \$6,610.00

Total Assets: \$157,575.70

Tami moved Barb Seconded that treasures Report be approved. Motion passed.

ALSA Administrative Manager Report

None

Committee Reports

Alpaca Committee

No report

Election Committee

Committee is in process of developing nomination forms regarding next General election. The nomination forms will be posted on the ALSA Website.

Ethics Committee

No report

Fiber Committee

Committee is in the process of completing new judging scorecards.

Committee recommended that llamas participating in the Walking Fiber class should be examined in a containment area.

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion fleece awards will be presented in the future. This procedure will also be noted in the Handbook. Penny will request that Committee send a written containment rule procedure and the Grand and Reserve Grand awards notice to Handbook Committee.

Finance & Budget Committee

No report

Grand National Committee

Committee submitted the following report regarding 2006 Grand National Show:

- It is the Committee's goal to have a separation of three weeks from the last Regional Show to the Grand National Show.
- October 21st is one week from the last regional and is also the LFA date. *
 * It was pointed out during the Board meeting that the LFA date is actually scheduled for September 22-24, 2006
- 2. October 28th is two weeks from a Regional but the Lincoln Room at the Lancaster Event center could not be used for face to-face meeting and banquet.
- 3. November 4th is the same date as the North American International Livestock Expo.
- 4. November 11th seems to be the most desirable date for the 2006 Grand National Show. Committee recommends this date.
- For 2007, Committee recommends that the Grand National Show be moved one to two weeks earlier in the year.
- The 2006 Grand National Show clerks will be responsible for the scoring and may add more people for the scoring program. At this time some team leaders are already in place for the 2006 Grand National Show. Sharon Carrier and Dee January are in the process of finalizing the Volunteer List.

• Committee has selected for consideration the following halter judges for the 2006 Grand National:

Darrell Anderson Adrienne Hochee Terry Duespohl

Tami moved Barb seconded a motion to approve selection of Grand National Show judges. Motion passed.

Committee also submitted a request to have Dee January and Jim Nenni added to the Grand National Committee. **Jeff moved and Barb seconded a motion to add the two new members to Committee. Motion Passed.**

Board discussed that presently only Sharon Carrier is co-superintendent of 2006 Grand National Show. She will be handling the halter portion of the show. The other show superintendent has not been selected at this time.

Tami Moved and Jeff seconded a motion that Grand National Committee Report be approved. Motion passed.

Handbook Committee

Committee is working on ALSA rulebook updates.

Judges Committee

January 2006 Committee Report:

Having accumulated 150 or more continuing education credits, committee requests that the following ALSA judges be re-certified. None have had protests or complaints filed against them and the comments from shows have been positive

Ray Howard – 175 points (shows 135, clinics 30, workshop 10) Harold Herbold – 161 points (shows 151, workshop 10) Lorraine Guyn – 200 points (shows 220, workshop 10) Patti Morgan – 230 points (shows 220, workshop 10) Barb Harris – 276 points (shows 231, superintending 45)

Move Pam Jensen from Level II to Level III judge.

Move Patti Morgan to a Level III Performance and Youth Judge.

Regarding the petition to the ALSA Board concerning a division in the yearling halter class, committee believes this issue falls under the purview of the ALSA Board and or show superintendent.

Committee recommends that Barb Harris host an Advanced Fiber Clinic in Colorado on March 10, 11, 12, 2006, with Karen Kinyon as instructor.

Motion Jeff moved and Barb seconded a motion to approve Grand National Committee report. Motion passed.

Membership Committee

Committee is working on gathering information, ideas, and pictures, etc, for a multi page glossy finish brochure. Brochure will be handed out at events such as the FFA as well as being available for new members.

Nominating Committee

Committee chair is in the process of updating committee information.

Performance Committee

Obstacle dimensions for youth classes will be similar to that of open obstacle classes. All approved changes at the November 2005 board meeting will be forwarded to Handbook Committee.

Committee is evaluating Exhibitors with Disabilities classes and Cart Driving classes for the upcoming show year.

Committee will submit obstacle manual amendments to ALSA office for final print publication.

Policy and Planning Committee

No report

Promotion Committee

No report

Protest Committee

A rule protest regarding a llama entered in the wrong class at the 2005 Grand National Show was reviewed and the protest was upheld. The upheld protest will also be posted in *Showring*. Board discussed that under the circumstances, two Grand Champion placings should be awarded in the aforementioned situation, with no Reserve Grand Champion for the class. **Jeff moved and Barb seconded a motion to approve the awarding of two Grand Champions. Motion passed.**

Publications Committee

The current issue of *Showring* will be mailed during the second week of January 2006.

Wally moved and Barb seconded to have Nelson Leonard serve as Committee chairperson. Tami abstained. Motion passed.

Wally moved and Jeff seconded a motion to add Norma Stevens to the Committee. Motion passed.

Regional Championship Committee

Great Lakes Region has changed Region name to Upper Mid-West Region to coincide with new regional boundary realignment.

Upper Mid-West Region requested approval to move show facilities location to LaCrosse City, Wisconsin for the weekend of October 13th –15th, 2006. **Barb moved and Jeff seconded a motion to approve the change of facility request. Motion Passed.**

Barb moved and Jeff seconded a motion to have Betty Moe serve as Regional Chair. Motion passed.

Show Management Committee

Committee will review show packet contents for upcoming year.

Youth Committee

No report

Website Committee

Lora moved and Barb seconded a motion to add Ken Austin to Website Committee. Motion passed.

Barb moved and Tami seconded a motion that all committee reports not previously approved be approved as written. Motion passed

Old Business

Barb moved and Julie seconded a motion to enter Executive Session. Motion passed.

Julie moved and Jeff seconded a motion to leave Executive Session. Motion passed.

Membership survey. Progress was discussed. Tami will provide further information to the Board on any remaining issues.

New Business

The following topics were submitted by the membership for Board review:

 Grand National date being moved up because of weather issues. Board decided, based on Grand National recommendations, the Grand National date for 2006 will remain unchanged. For 2007, Grand National date and other show issues will be evaluated.

- Grand and Reserve Grand awarded in each class at Grand National Show. Also different color of ribbons for first through fifth place. Issue will be referred to Grand National Committee.
- Dividing the yearling class by age. Issue referred to the Grand National Committee.
- Scoring system at Grand National Show. Issue referred to the Grand National Committee.
- Names of Sir and Dam in Grand National Show program in halter and performance classes. Issue referred to the Grand National Committee.
- Request for ALSA monetary contribution for a member's recognition at an ALSA show. The Board will provide an ALSA certificate of service as formal means of appreciation.
- Top five in each class for overall Division review at Regional Shows. Issue referred to Regional Committee.
- Wool Division movement prior to each class. Issue referred to Grand National Committee.
- An exhibitor expressed concern that during a llama show a llama entered the show ring late creating a perceived unfair judging situation. The matter was determined to be a local show management issue.

Julie moved and Barb seconded a motion that meeting be adjourned at 11:35 EDT. Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted,

Wally Baker ALSA Secretary