MINUTES OF THE ALSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 2003

Present

Dick Sheehan, President Dwayne Flinn, Vice President Jeff Jones, Treasurer Carolyn Myers, Secretary Carolann Evans, Director Sandy Wickum, Director Niki Kuklenski, Director Cheryl Ryberg, Executive Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Motion made by Niki Kuklenski, seconded by Jeff Jones, to approve the August minutes as written. Following a vote, the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

(See ALSA budget under New Business)

Executive Secretary's Report

No Report

Old Business

- A. Communications
 - 1. Mary Jo Miller's nominating committee and communication concerns have been addressed by President Sheehan and Carolyn Myers.
 - 2. Jim Krowka's concerns regarding the suri class have been forwarded to the Suri Committee. In addition, President Sheehan updated Mr. Krowka by e-mail.
 - 3. Debbie Shellabarger has requested a rule change to allow two grands and six reserve championships to receive a halter championship. Her request was forwarded to the Judges Committee.

- 4. Letter received from Bob Johnson has been forwarded to the Judges Committee.
- 5. Heather Bamford, a member of the Suri Committee, forwarded her individual input to board members regarding the suri class.
- 6. Susan Tellez has requested that she be placed on inactive status as a judge. Her request was forwarded to the Judges Committee.
- 7. Communication from Larry Lewellyn will be responded to by Dwayne Flinn.
- 8. Letter from Donley Gardner was forwarded to the Regional and National Committees.
- 9. Letter from Kay Sharpnack was forwarded to the Suri Committee.
- **B. ILR/ALSA Joint Conference**

Conference Call to discuss and consider what would be beneficial to both boards and to come up with an agenda.

New Business

A. ALSA Budget

The board discussed expenses for 2002 and 2003 and the fact that the reserves in the bank account were rapidly dwindling. Because of rising expenses, it has become necessary to raise some of the current ALSA fees. Jeff Jones made a motion to raise fees as follows: \$5 per animal and \$30 per farm for non-ALSA members, including youth; \$15 to transfer animals; \$20 to register animals; \$25 to research points. Sandy Wickum seconded the motion. Following a vote, the motion passed.

Any show that already has a booklet printed with the old rates will be allowed to maintain the \$3 fee.

Motion made by Jeff Jones, seconded by Niki Kuklenski, to amend the Handbook as follows:

Delete the sentence in the Handbook under Part C(1)(f) "Exhibitors showing only in youth classes are exempted." Amend the first sentence to read "Non-ALSA members must pay a \$30 fee per farm for showing their animals in ALSA llama and alpaca shows, including youth classes."

Following a vote, the motion passed.

B. Regional Transfers

Per the 13th Edition Handbook, Part E, Section 2(d)(7), Shylan Beardan's request to transfer her youth eligibility was approved.

Adults will not be considered for transferring regional location except as provided in Part E, Section 2(d)(9) of the 13th Edition Handbook.

Committee Reports

Alpaca Committee

Per Debbie Shellabarger, Committee Chair, the Alpaca Championship show plans are coming along nicely. A mass email has been sent ensuring that show packets have gone out and been received. Ribbons have been ordered from the Wheelers. Debbie expressed concern that the show sponsors were not yet listed on the ALSA web site. Cheryl Ryberg will contact Debbie to get information to resolve this issue.

Education Committee

No Report

Ethics Committee

The Ethics Committee has received a complaint that is being reviewed.

Fiber Committee

Recommendation has been tabled until the entire committee has seen it.

Grand National Committee

A simpler system for scoring has been proposed. Niki Kuklenski made a motion to adopt the new scoring system, seconded by Jeff Jones. Following a vote, the motion passed.

Debbie Shellabarger expressed concern that Grand National show sponsors have not been listed on the ALSA web site. Cheryl Ryberg thought this had already been done, but will follow up.

Handbook Committee

Dwayne Flinn made a motion to accept Nelson Leonard on the Handbook Committee, to replace Cheryl Cave, seconded by Jeff Jones. Following a vote, the motion passed.

Judges Committee

The Judges Committee has reviewed and recommends for board consideration recertification of Penny Davidson as a Level III judge for a period of three years. Mrs. Davidson has sufficient continuing education credits and has no adverse comments in her file.

The Judges Committee recommends the following individuals be accepted as apprentice judges, based on their performance at a recent clinic and upon the clinic instructor's comments:

Debbie Simmons, Niki Kuklenski, Karen Tallmon, Wendy Cummins, Sherman Ackley, Ann Barkley, Pamela Watson, Pamela Miller, Elizabeth Martin, Susan Martinez, Irene Steward and Wayne Rankin.

Motion made by Dwayne Flinn, seconded by Sandy Wickum, to accept the Judges Committee recommendations. Following a vote, the motion passed, with Niki Kuklenski abstaining.

Membership Committee

No Report

Nominating Committee

No Report

Performance Committee

The driving committee is continuing to work on the revision of the driving section of the rule book. The national performance committee should have courses to judges now for Grand Nationals.

Motion made by President Dick Sheehan, seconded by Sandy Wickum, to approve Linda Huene Soloman as a new member of the Performance Committee.

Planning & Policy Committee

The committee is working with the ALSA attorney on the standing rules and bylaws.

Publications Committee

A contract with Gayle Woodsum is being considered.

Regional Committee

Western Regional deadline is incorrect on its entry. The correct deadline is October 6th.

Show Management

The ALSA office is to stress to show management that the questionnaire provided in their packet MUST be placed in every exhibitor's packet.

Youth Committee

Motion made by Niki Kuklenski, seconded by Dwayne Flinn, to accept Lauren Wright as the chair of the Youth Committee. Following a vote, the motion passed.

Youth With Disabilities Committee is awaiting approval from the Judges Committee on their proposal.

Tony Rollins Scholarship packets will be mailed to board members on 9/19/03. Each board member is to choose 1-10 placements. The name of each youth will be deleted before mailing to board members.

Niki Kuklenski will work with Lauren Wright and Jim Atkinson to coordinate the pizza party at Grand Nationals.

Suri Committee

The recommendations made by the Suri Committee will be forwarded to the Judges Committee. President Sheehan requested that board members discuss the recommendations by e-mail and bring the matter back up under New Business at the next board meeting.

Motion made by Jeff Jones, seconded by Dwayne Flinn, to adjourn. Following a vote, the motion passed.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 14th AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Carolyn Myers, Secretary