

ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
February 7, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 8:13 p.m. EST.
by President, Ken Forester

ROLL CALL:

Members present:

President Ken Forster

V. President vacant

Board Members

Allen Davis

Marilyn Nenni

Trish Brandt-Robuck

absent members

Keith Wattigney

Stacey Forshee

Office Manager-Robin Turell

Next Board Meeting: March 13, 2012 8:00 pm EST

Office Report:

1. The office will take over the Quick book account from Patti.
2. The ALSA website has been moved and the security issue fixed.

Other Office business:

a) Security issues: Who get pass codes?

1. Robin Turell, office manager is the only person with pass code outside of the President.

b) Outstanding member check from 2010.

1. letter requesting payment will be developed by Ken.

c) Life time membership that has been split.

Both had lifetime membership initially, not an issue.

Treasurer's Report

Balance Sheet

January 2012

Current Assets

Cash \$16,062

Investment Account \$58,125

Cash - Memorials \$3,860

Total Current Assets \$78,047

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a) Questions on SE Regional

b. 1099's sent in as required

c. starting to work on 2011 income tax report

Motion by Larry: Approve treasurer's report

2nd by Allen:

Carried

Old Business:

a) Approval of 17th Edition ALSA Handbook

1. Tabled -All changes discussed at the Feb. 21, 2012 meeting

b) 01-31-2012 Allen: Motion to send out e-blast stating WE WILL NOT BE CHARGING A FEE FOR CREDIT CARDS.

Keith called for discussion

1. Tabled till feb. 21 2012 meeting so BOD can get financial information regarding fees.

New Business:

a) Should Part W Pack Trials be removed from handbook?

Motion by Allen: Send Part W regarding pack Trials to Performance committee for review and discussion.

Seconded by TrishRoll call vote: Allen -yes, Trish-yes, Marilyn-yes, Larry-No.

Motion carried.

Committee Reports

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Kevin Sullivan

1. Working on a Clinic for 2012

2. Election Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)

Chair: Lougene Baird

ALSA Election Committee Report – February 1, 2012

To this date, the Committee has not received a single Petition to Nominate Forms from the membership. If all goes as it has in the past, late March and early April will see an increase in Petitions.

Thank you for promptly posting the Petition to Nominate Form on the ALSA Website. As time progresses, it would be a good idea to e-mail blast a reminder for members to talk with other members and send in Petitions to the EC.

The Committee has contacted the CPA about tallying the 2012 ballots.

We encourage any ALSA member to call should they have questions regarding the election process.

Respectfully,

Lougene A Baird, Chair

3. Ethics: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Jim Doyle

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

Motion by Larry: I motion for Cynthia Ernst, MI approved for the said committee.

2nd by Keith

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison:)

Chair:

a) 01-15-12 Larry resigned as liaison

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman

a) Dates for the 2012 Grand Nationals show are Oct. 25, 26, and 27.

Motion by Marilyn: Accept National dates as submitted.

2nd by Larry

carried

b) Request by Larry for meeting with Committee and BOD

a. checking dates

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair:

Motion by Larry: for Marcia Askew-Burton to be the Chair of Handbook Committee.

2nd by: Trish

carried

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

Chair: Barb Harris

I WOULD LIKE APPROVAL FOR THESE PEOPLE FOR THE JUDGES COMMITTEE.

PATTI MORGAN and DEB YEAGLE.

Motion by Larry to accept committee recommendations for Judges committee.

2nd by Trish

carried

Motion by Allen: To approve clinic information and have an email Blast and then have it posted to website.

2nd by Trish

Carried

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)

Chair: Ruby Herron

Ruby has submitted her resignation.

Motion by Marilyn To accept resignation and thanking Ruby for her work.

2nd by Allen

carried

10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Carolyn Myers

11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Eileen Ditsler

Appreciate BOD support regarding not splitting performance Novice classes.

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

Chair: Barb Harris

a) February 2012 Policy and Planning Committee Report

The following proposed bylaw change is being submitted to the ALSA board because the Policy and Planning committee believes that when an individual assumes the role of a board member there are certain responsibilities that go with the position. One such responsibility is being up to date on any and all discussions that are being conducted by the ALSA Board of Directors.

The proposed change to Article III, Section 8 of the ALSA Bylaws is indicated in red:

Section 8. Resignation and Removal.

Any Director may resign effective immediately upon giving written notice to the President, the

Secretary or the Board of Directors of the corporation. The Board of Directors may declare vacant the office of a Director who has been declared of unsound mind by an order of the court

or convicted of a felony or has three unexcused absences from meetings of the Board of Directors in the course of a year. Other infractions in regards to meetings may result in censure, suspension or dismissal based on the decision of the ALSA Board of Directors. A board member may be censured, suspended or ejected for unauthorized activity by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted,

ALSA Policy and Planning Committee

Barbara Harris

Michele Batt

Lora Crawford

Tracy Weaver

Motion by Larry: to approve changes that will go on the ballot for Bylaw changes.

2nd by Allen

Carried

b) I would like to inform the board that Patti Morgan has tendered her resignation from the Policy and Planning Committee as she has accepted a position on the Judge's Committee. Thank you Patti for all that you have done on the Policy and Planning Committee.

Motion by Allen to accept Patti Morgan's resignation, and thank her for the time and energy on this committee.

2nd by Trish

carried

Barb Harris

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: None

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Robin Sturgeon

15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)

Chair:

Motion by Marilyn: to accept Mary Adams resignation and thank her for her time and effort.

2nd by Larry;

carried

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

Regional Championship Committee Report for February 7, 2012 Board Meeting

1. It has been confirmed that all 2011 Regional Championship judges' fees and expenses have been paid.

2. From the results published in Showring and communications with judges, volunteers and exhibitors it has been possible to calculate entry fees, sponsorships, expenses and premiums paid in the Buckeye and Great Lakes Regions. The attached revised spreadsheet shows that those two shows basically broke even and that the overall net profit from the 2011 Regional Championships was \$4,502.05. The bottom line would have been better if the superintendent of the Southeastern Regional Championship had not spent more than \$2,000 on a catered dinner. Exhibitors' dinners at the other Regional Championships were either potlucks or paid for by sponsors and did not cost the ALSA membership any money. The Southeastern superintendent represented to exhibitors that the dinner was being paid for by sponsors, and it appears there was actually enough sponsorship money to cover the premiums paid to exhibitors and also pay for part of the dinner. However, it appears that about \$1,517.00 from entry fees that should have been sent to the ALSA office was used to pay for the dinner instead. No receipts or other proof of expenses were provided, so it is impossible to tell exactly how the missing funds were spent.

3. In spite of the questionable use of ALSA funds by the Southeastern regional superintendent, we hope that the Board will consider the proposal to make the Regional Championships break-even events with any net profits left after expenses to be used for premiums for the exhibitors. If so, we will develop a plan for the mechanics of how this will work while also providing safeguards to help prevent future misappropriations of ALSA funds.

#3 BOD sent back for further clarification and details.

4. Request approval of Barb Harris to again serve as superintendent of the Rocky Mountain Regional Championship to be held in conjunction with the LOCC Fall Show on Labor Day weekend with the same cost-sharing arrangement as in previous years.

5. Request approval of Jim Doyle to again serve as superintendent of the Central Regional Championship to be held in conjunction with the Oklahoma City State Fair with the same cost-sharing arrangement as last year.

6. The committee chair has been informed that the Hoosier Llama Alpaca Association has volunteered to host the Buckeye Regional Championship to be held in conjunction with its Fall Show on September 22 & 23 in Noblesville, Indiana, but the superintendent has not yet been identified. When the superintendent has been identified we will obtain more details and hopefully be able to submit a proposal to the Board in the very near future.

7. Attached is a proposed announcement requesting proposals from other regions which we request be sent out via e-mail blast as soon as possible.

Motion by Larry: accept committee report except #3 which is being returned to the committee.

2nd by Allen,
Carried

Cheryl Juntilla
Regional Championship Committee Chair

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: John Maddy

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair: none

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair: Susan Leslie

Any Other Business:

1. Motion by Larry: Removal of Stacie Forshee for missing 3 consecutive BOD meetings as stated in the ALSA Bylaws.

2nd by Trish:

Carried

A letter will be sent from the President to Stacie.

2. Motion by Larry: All BOD members sign a Resolution for a BOD ,Change of Directors, number.

2nd by Allen

carried

Meeting Adjourned with motion by Trish at 12:26am

2nd by Larry

carried

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

A)

01-16-12 Approval of letter to member.

Allen=yes; Keith=yes; Trish=yes; Marilyn=yes; Larry-absent; Stacie-absent

01-16-12: Letter approved and sent.

B)

1-24-12 7:12 am CST: Allen: Motion to have Patti sign 1098 Form and send 1099s ASAP.

01-24-12 7:25 am CST: Seconded by Keith.

Allen=yes; Keith=yes; Marilyn=yes; Trish-absent; Larry=yes; Stacie-absent

01-25-12 Motion Carried

C)

01-24-12 Approval of Dec 13, 2011 Final Minutes with correction of New Business 1) to read as:

Maryann motioned to list the Scholarship Committee as a Sub Committee on the ALSA website under Youth Committee. Allen seconded. Motion passed.

Allen=yes; Larry=yes; Marilyn=yes; Keith=yes; Stacie-absent; Trish-abstain

01-27-12 Minutes Approved

D)

01-24-12 Approval of Dec 29, 2011 Final Minutes

Allen=yes; Marilyn=yes; Keith=yes; Larry- Trish-abstain; Stacie-absent. Ken=yes

01-27-12 Minutes Approved

E)

01-24-12 Approval of Jan 13, 2012 Minutes

Allen=yes; Marilyn=yes; Keith=yes; Larry-absent; Trish-absent; Stacie-absent

2-06-12 Vote count: Yes votes-3; No votes-0; abstain -3; President votes yes

Motion carried.

F)

01-24-12 E-blast ALSA Updates submitted for approval.

01-25-12 E-blast approved.

G)

01-28-12 E-blast Youth in the Spotlight submitted for approval.

Trish-yes; Keith-yes; Allen-yes; Marilyn-yes; Larry-absent; Stacie-absent
02-06-12 Vote count: Yes votes-4; No votes-0; abstansions-2;
E-blast approved.