

ALSA Monthly BOD Meeting September 8, 2015

Call to order: 6:02 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday October 13, 2015; 6:00 p.m.

(All times posted are Mountain Daylight Time, if not noted)

Roll call:

President: Paul Schwartz

V. President: Jim Doyle

Secretary: Cheryl Juntilla

Board Members: Debbie Andrews

Allen Davis

Susan Leslie

Non Board Members also present:

Office Manager Robin Turell (Left the call at 6:19 p.m.)

BOD Meeting Office Report September 8, 2015

1. Membership

There are new membership applications coming in daily for 2015, both renewals and new memberships.

As of right now for 2015 we have:

- 111 LIFE TIME members
- 270 regular memberships (*which is increased from the last meeting of 15 memberships. This number is growing each day.*) At this time last year we had 309 regular members.
- 188 youth memberships (*which is increased from the last meeting of 25 youth memberships. This number is growing each day.*) At this time last year we had 200.
- Our total membership so far for the 2015 year is 569. (Last year at this time the total membership was 638.

2. Shows

There are currently 70 shows sanctioned for 2015. (*which is increased from the last meeting of 1 shows*)

Last year at this time we had 73 sanctioned shows. (The number shown in 2014 was for both 2014 and upcoming 2015 – the above number for current 2015 is just for 2015 – if we calculated combined, we would have a total of 74.)

3. Handbook binders

Each member has been sent a 19th Edition Handbook. They were all in a binder.

We only have 8 binders left. I would like to order more binders.

- The cost of a box is \$77.75.
- There are 24 binders in a box.
- The cost of the shipping is \$9.99.
- If we order two boxes it would be free shipping.
- The cost for two boxes would be \$155.50. When we ordered in April, the 2 boxes plus shipping were \$136.56. (we paid for shipping) This would be an increase of \$18.94.

Please approve the purchase of binders.

(The printing I have on the Handbooks is good.)

Motion by Susan to approve purchase of two boxes of binders, seconded by Cheryl and unanimously approved.

4. Committees

Liaisons, please give me your list as you get them so I may put them on the website.

Most committees are in place. We had been waiting to send Robin a complete list but will send her the current information after the meeting and then fill in the missing committee members as soon as possible.

5. ALSA Grand National

The part of the office for the ALSA Grand National Show is going well.

Entries are already coming in and being recorded.

Motion by Susan to approve Office Report, seconded by Allen and unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report for the Month of August 2015

- 1) All bank accounts have been reconciled
- 2) Office Contract/Expenses are one month contract payment and seven months of expenses
- 3) Website Expenses consists of seven months of expenses

Current Assets

Checking Accounts	\$16,265
Investment Account	\$55,813
Cash Memorials	<u>\$2,736</u>

Total Current Assets

\$74,814

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	<u>\$0</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$0</u>

Equity

\$74,814

Total Liabilities & Equity

\$74,814

Cash Balance on Hand July 2015

\$78,265

Receipts

Membership Revenue	\$925
Show Fee Revenue	\$815
Grand National Revenue	\$2,050
Regional Revenue	\$315
Other Revenue	<u>\$105</u>
Total Receipts	

\$4,210

Disbursements

Grand National Expenses	\$250	
Judge Clinic Expenses	\$0	
BOD Expenses	\$52	
Bank / Credit Card Fees	\$207	
Office Contract/Expenses	\$4,798	
Judge Committee	\$9	
Scholarship Paid	\$500	
Regional Expenses	\$545	
Website Expenses	\$1,300	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$7,661</u>

Balance on Hand August 31, 2015 \$74,814

Motion by Cheryl to accept Treasurer's Report as submitted, seconded by Susan and unanimously approved.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Jim to go into executive session, seconded by Allen and unanimously approved. Robin left the meeting and executive session began at 6:19 p.m.

Motion by Jim to come out of executive session, seconded by Susan and unanimously approved. Executive session ended at 7:49 p.m.

Correspondence from Members.

Note - Correspondence from members is summarized to protect the member's identity, unless the member specifically grants permission to have his or her name published.

Motion by Cheryl to approve Paul sending a response to the most recent e-mail from Ken Forster, seconded by Jim and unanimously approved.

A letter responding to questions from a member about the rules relating to Performance Recognition of Merit and Championship awards in different divisions was drafted and approved by e-mail vote, along with an apology for the delay in responding to her questions.

Several members submitted comments in response to the recent e-mail blasts about trying to meet with the ILR Board. One new member was confused because she did not realize that ALSA had existed long before the ILR-Show Division was created. Other comments received stated that having two different show organizations did not make economic sense; that shows and birth registrations are completely different activities, there was a good reason why ALSA and the ILR were formed as separate entities and that the ILR should give up the show division. Some members do not approve of any efforts to combine the two organizations into just one, while another said "Cross your fingers and say a prayer...there has got to be a way to work together."

Other New Business:

The vacancy created by Terese's resignation will be filled in accordance with Section 4 of the Bylaws. Paul will contact the unsuccessful candidate who received the most votes in this year's election to see if she wants to complete the remainder of Terese's term. If she does not, he will then contact the next candidate in line.

Paul will contact the ILR Board of Directors with a proposal that the teleconference between the two boards take place on November 17th, 18th or 19th.

Committee Reports:

- 1) Alpaca Committee - Chair: Mary Reed - no report
- 2) Election Committee - Chair: Lougene Baird

Election Committee Report – September 1, 2015.

August is usually a quiet month for Election Committee work. August proved unique this year. The committee members assisted the ALSA Certified and Apprentice Judges elect the Chair of the Judges Committee.

An email was sent to all Judges outlining the procedure and inviting any Certified ALSA Judge interested in chairing the Judges Committee to submit answers to four questions. The questions asked were the number of years the candidate was certified, if they were a Certified ALSA Judge Instructor, did they have prior experience serving on the Judges Committee and list their service on other ALSA committees.

The information from each candidate was consolidated onto a ballot and sent to all ALSA Judges. Each replied to the Election Committee by email vote. To guarantee all Judges had an equal opportunity to vote, the only Judge who does not use email was notified and was able to cast a verbal vote. The votes were tallied, the EC Liaison was informed and in turn the candidates were notified of the results. All votes remain confidential within Election Committee records.

Barb Harris received the majority, seventy-six percent, of all the votes cast. Approximately ninety-three percent of the Certified and Apprentice Judges voted. The Election Committee received good feedback from Judges on the process. We were delighted to assist in this important step.

Respectfully submitted
Lougene Ann Baird, Chair
ALSA Election Committee

Motion by Jim to approve Election Committee report, seconded by Allen and unanimously approved.

- 3) Ethics - Chair: Cheryl Lambert - no report.

- 4) Fleece Committee - Chair: Cindy Ruckman and committee members were approved by e-mail vote. No written report yet, but Committee is working on guidelines for Finished Products judging. New liaison to be appointed after vacancy on board is filled.
- 5) Finance & Budget Committee - Chair: Patti Wattigney
- 6) Grand National Committee - Chair: Glenna Overmiller

September 5, 2015 ALSA Grand National Report

The ALSA Grand National is fast approaching and we are looking forward to seeing everyone in Park City, KS.

The ribbons and trophies have been ordered and the trophies have arrived. The youth awards are ordered also and will be here soon.

Wally Juntilla has the performance courses designed and is fine tuning them now. He is creating an equipment list and recruiting help to setup, participate, and maintain the courses during the show.

I would like to thank everyone who has graciously donated as sponsors for the 2015 Grand Nationals. The outpouring from you the members has been an absolute blessing and myself and the committee thank you. With these generous donations we are looking forward to a wonderful fun filled show.

Robin has received the first two entries for the 2015 Grand National, and it is exciting to know that they are both alpaca farms. It is so wonderful to know that the interest for the alpaca show is growing and people are getting excited to be a part of this new endeavor. With the remaining llama shows and regionals going on now I know that soon Robin's mailbox will be full.

We will also have the youth auction and if you have something you would like to donate, please contact Michelle Kutzler or bring it to Nationals.

See you all next month!!

Thank you,
Glenna Overmiller

Motion by Susan to approve Grand National Committee report, seconded by Allen and unanimously approved.

- 7) Handbook Committee – Co-Chairs: Marcie Saska-Agnew and Adryce Mathiesen - no report.

It was suggested that the definitions of the age divisions for halter classes in Part I on page 46 of the Handbook should also appear in the list of approved halter classes in Part H on page 40. This suggestion will be sent to the Handbook Committee.

- 8) Judge's Committee - Chair: Barb Harris - no report. Committee members were approved by e-mail vote.
- 9) Membership Committee - Chair: Mary Rose Collins - no report
- 10) Nomination Committee - Chair: Ana Reese - no report
- 11) Performance Committee - Chair: Ana Reese - no report

12) Policy & Planning Committee - Chair: Larry Lewellyn approved by e-mail vote.

ALSA BOD,

I am requesting the approval of Cathie Kindler from the SE Region to serve on this committee.

My goal for this committee is to have one member represented from the current ALSA Regions, If you know of someone that would serve ALSA in this manner, please e-mail me or have them contact me.

Larry Lewellyn
Policy and Planning Chair

Motion by Susan to approve Policy & Planning Committee's report, seconded by Allen and unanimously approved.

13) Protest Committee - Chair: Cheryl Lambert. Committee members Barb Harris, Kathy Devaul, Bobbie White, Ulin Andrews and Larry Lewellyn approved by e-mail vote. No report.

14) Publications, Promotions, and Marketing Committee - Chair: Ruby Herron

Here is the activity on the ALSA Facebook this past month.

I thought the board might be interested in these numbers.

2,423 views (That averages about 81 views a day)

243 likes and comments

This shows that there are lots of people looking at the postings but not making a comment.

Ruby Hamilton Herron

Motion by Cheryl to approve Publications, Promotions and Marketing Committee's report, seconded by Jim and unanimously approved.

15) Regional Committee - Chair: Kitty Tuck-Hampel – no report

16) Show Management Committee - Chair: Glenna Overmiller - no report

17) Web Site Committee - Chair: Ruby Herron – see Publications, Promotions and Marketing Committee's report above.

18) Youth Committee - Co-Chairs: Michelle Kutzler & Terry White. No written report, but committee members are working on the silent auction to take place at the Grand National and an e-mail blast has been sent out about it.

E-mail motions

8-12-15 August 11 minutes submitted for approval. One correction made as requested by Susan. Approved by Jim, Debbie and Allen.

8-14-15 Regional Committee requests pre-approval for proposed new regional championship show this year. Jim, Debbie and Cheryl approve giving Susan permission to tell Kitty to proceed and submit details as soon as possible.

8-20-15 Motion by Jim to accept results of election of Chair of Judges Committee, seconded by Cheryl and approved by Susan and Debbie.

8-21-15 Allen requests approval of Larry Lewellyn as Chair of the Policy and Planning Committee. Approved by Cheryl, Jim, and Debbie.

8-21-15 Jim requests approval to give the Election Committee permission to e-mail results to judges. Approved by Cheryl, Debbie and Susan.

8-25-15 Youth Committee requests approval of members Holly Jensen of Nebraska and Mark Foerder of Indiana. Approved by Jim, Terese and Cheryl.

8-25-15 Terese submits letter of resignation. "Dear ALSA Board Of Directors, With the recent animosity towards fellow Board members, continued contentious behavior, bullying of Committees and Chairpersons and personal agendas being forced upon the membership, I have been forced to resign from my position on the ALSA Board of Directors. This destructive activity and behavior, if allowed to continue, will undermine the organization and the moral of its members. Regards, Terese Evenson"

8-26-15 Motion by Cheryl to accept Terese's resignation, seconded by Jim and unanimously approved.

8-28-15 Motion by Jim to approve e-mail blast to members and Facebook posting of letters regarding communications with ILR. Seconded by Susan and approved by Cheryl

8-30-15 Protest Committee requests approval of committee members Barb Harris, Kathy Devaul, Bobbie White, Ulin Andrews and Larry Lewellyn. Approved by Jim, Cheryl, Susan and Debbie

9-2-15 Paul requests approval of Cindy Ruckman as Chair of Fleece Committee and committee members Geri Rutledge, Patti Morgan and Cynthia Ernst. Approved by Cheryl, Jim, Susan and Debbie.

9-2-15 Paul requests approval of letter to member with questions about Performance ROMs and Championships. Approved by Cheryl, Jim and Susan.

9-3-15 Judges Committee Chair requests approval of committee members Maryan Baker, Bill Feick, Margaret Henry, Tami Lash, Patti Morgan, Mary Reed and Deb Yeagle. Approved by Cheryl, Susan, Debbie and Jim.

9-5-15 Performance Committee Chair requests approval of committee members Sean Price, Eileen Ditzler, Kathy Nichols, Lauren Wright, Amanda Smith and Barb Harris. Approved by Debbie, Jim and Susan.

Submitted September 9, 2015
Cheryl Juntilla, Secretary