American Border Leicester Association  
Meeting Highlights  
May 18, 2009

Present: Greg Deakin, Kerry Phelps, JoAnne Tuncy, Polly Hopkins, Sue Johnson, Sally Barney.

President Greg Deakin called the meeting to order. The minutes of the 4/13/09 meeting were approved as sent to the Board of Directors; the approval of the Annual Meeting Minutes was tabled until the next meeting to give Directors an opportunity to review them. Sally agreed to re-send the annual meeting minutes to all Directors. Polly gave a Treasurer’s report which was accepted by the Board as presented. Greg reported that to date there have been 195 ABLA registrations and 60 ABLA transfers.

Old Business:

Annual Meeting: It was reported that there were over 40 persons at the ABLA Annual Meeting and get-together. The light refreshments and beverages worked well. A thank you was extended to all who worked on the event, the food and the auction. The new ABLA booth was praised and it was announced that ABLA received a third place in the breed display wool division. Polly will transport the display to Wooster.

Futurity: The nomination forms for the Ewe Lamb are ready and will be available at Wooster and forwarded to the web site.

Newsletter: The next newsletter deadline is June 15th. Sarah has maintained her current e-mail address but has changed her mailing address. Polly will have Sarah send her new address to the Directors.

By-Laws: The By-laws changes and ballots are not out yet but will be sent within the 30 days stipulated in the by-laws. The membership packet will be sent with the By-laws.

National Sale: Plans are in place for a great Sale in Wooster.

National Show: The premium book is online at www.thebige.com. The committee is looking at mementos for each exhibitor.

New Business:

Committee Assignments: The Directors agreed that everyone seemed to be comfortable in their positions and agreed to leave the committee members as they were in the 2008-2009 year.

NAILE Junior Show: There was a request made at the ABLA Annual Meeting that a Border Leicester Junior Show be established at Louisville. Greg reported that we would have to fund the show ourselves and that no show could be established prior to 2010 due to the planning structure in place at NAILE. It was estimated that $300 - $400 would be needed to cover this event. This agenda item will be discussed further at future Board meetings.
Election of Officers:

President – Polly Hopkins nominated Greg Deakin and the nomination was seconded by Kerry Phelps. There being no further nominations a vote was taken and Greg Deakin was elected ABLA President.

Vice President: JoAnne Tuncy nominated Kerry Phelps for the position of Vice President; Sue Johnson seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations the Directors elected Kerry Phelps as ABLA Vice President.

Treasurer: Greg Deakin nominated Polly Hopkins for Treasurer; Kerry Phelps seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations the Board elected Polly Hopkins as ABLA Treasurer

Greg Deakin recommended that Sally Barney be re-appointed as ABLA Recording Secretary, the appointment was seconded by Polly Hopkins. The Board approved the appointment of Sally Barney as Recording Secretary.

The next meeting was set for July 6, 2009.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Barney, Recording Secretary