

American Border Leicester Association
Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2014

Present: Mark Korf, Jerry Wigglesworth, Kevin Young, Linda Koeppel, Coleen Smith, Barbara Hintzsche, Bill Koeppel, Sally Barney

Mark Korf called the meeting to order and it was determined that a quorum was present. The Secretary's report of the December 9, 2013 was sent to Directors prior to the meeting. All Directors acknowledged receipt of the minutes. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes as distributed; the motion passed. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$4,943.60 as of 12/31/13. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. Bill also reported that we had 130 paid members and 4 Life members in 2013; 31 of the 134 members are juniors. Newsletter ads and ad contracts are being tracked and Bill and Sarah are working out the details of keeping current with ad renewals and payments. The Board voted to have Bill continue the ABLA ad in Sheep magazine.

Committee Reports -

Publicity – Sally called the Directors attention to the ABLA ad that will be placed in the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival catalog. The ad, as distributed to Directors via e-mail, was approved for publication.

Futurity – Polly has finalized the Futurity and participants will be sent the results as well as money earned. The results will appear in the ABLA newsletter and the next Banner Magazine. Kevin reported that Polly will continue managing the Futurity in 2014.

Youth Activities – Kevin will invite Colin to meet with the ABLA Directors in March.

Old Business –

Newsletter – Kevin reported that start-up money has been sent to Sarah to be used toward the next newsletter and that Bill will follow with an additional check once her bill is received. Sally agreed to ask Sarah if she can attend the February Board meeting.

KILE – Sally reported that Greg had contacted KILE and that KILE has agreed to use the 2013 overpayment toward 2014 premiums.

By-Laws – Greg and Jerry have not yet met to review the By-Laws.

Di Waibel Recognition – Coleen reported that she would like to recommend that ABLA recognize Di Waibel's contribution to the Border Leicester breed with a perpetual memorial trophy. The Board whole heartily agreed with the idea and Coleen will research trophies and costs.

New Business –

Northwest Regional Border Leicester Show – Kevin suggested that the Board look into assisting with support for a Northwest Regional Show similar to the Northeast Regional Show held every other year at Eastern States Exposition. Coleen will poll breeders in her area to determine the level of interest.

Wooster Week-end – Linda confirmed that Marilyn Fogle and other Ohio Border Leicester breeders would be willing to work on Border Leicester breeder activities for the National Sale Week-end in Wooster. Linda will check with Marilyn to find out more about the suggestion that

ABLA might want to hire a second judge for the Fleece Show. Sally asked if ABLA would like sashes for the National Sale champion and reserve champion ewes and rams. Kevin and Sally said they would be willing to donate the sashes if ABLA would like to have them. The Directors approved the donation of sashes. Sally reminded the Directors that the Annual Meeting will be held in Wooster this year. Sally asked if the Board would like to continue to offer Youth Buyers Credits at the National Sale. It was moved by Jerry and seconded by Coleen to offer (5) fifty dollar buyers credits in memory of Di Waibel. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Membership Renewal – Mark will write the annual membership renewal letter which is sent to all ABLA members. Mark will coordinate the mailing with Greg. Members renewing by March 1 will have their name in the Breeders Directory for Maryland and Wooster.

Director Elections – Sally reminded the Board that there are three Directors whose terms will expire with the Annual Meeting in May (Barbara Hintzsche, Mark Korf, and Jerry Wigglesworth). The newsletter will include a call for Biography's from all active members interested in running for a three year term as Director. Biographies must be sent to Sally by March 1 so that voting can be completed prior to the annual meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Barney – Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2014
8:30 PM - eastern