

American Border Leicester Association
Board of Director's Meeting
December 2, 2015

Present: Polly Hopkins; Coleen Smith; Linda Koeppel; Colin Siegmund; Bill Koeppel; Sally Barney

The role was taken and it was determined that a quorum was not present. Sally presented the Secretary's minutes of the last meeting and no corrections were noted. Bill presented the Treasurers report that was sent electronically to Directors. Bill said that he was continuing to work on the complete year to date information and that he was doing the invoices for newsletter advertising. Bill stated that the deficit was not an advertising issue but a show expense issue. Dues received in November and December are credited to 2016. 85 – 90% of our budget goes to Associated Registries, newsletter and Shows.

Newsletter: The Directors thought that the last newsletter was well done. The need for educational articles was re-affirmed and questions were raised as to how important show results were as most ABLA members won't get to those shows. It was suggested that the newsletter can include recipes and wool craft articles. A website tab for show results was mentioned. The next newsletter deadline is January 15th with a mailing date of February 1st. Linda suggested that she had a plan for a sheep feeder that she could include in the next newsletter.

Publicity/Promotion: Linda asked what specifically the Directors would like to see in a new member packet. The breed standard, Breeder Directory were mentioned as well as a welcome letter.

Website: There was no formal report. It was suggested that Linda's Feeder Plan might be included on the website.

Futurity: Polly reported that the full report on the Futurity will be available in January.

Louisville: Colin reported that the NAILE Border Leicester shows were good. He said that numbers in the Junior Show were down. Dave Clauser judged the Open Show and Dave Smith judged the Junior Show. Polly stated that as requested, she had sent a letter to the judges on behalf of the Board.

AAJSS: Polly stated that Holiday Thomas was fundraising for the Junior All American. She had a request in the last newsletter and has asked for a membership list.

National Sale: The National Border Leicester Sale is the weekend of May 28 and 29th. Dena will handle the Fleece Show and Saturday night dinner at Jakes Steakhouse. We will need to

promote the sale in January so that breeders can think about lamb and yearling entries. The Friday night meet and greet will be informal; bring something to drink and a bag of something.

Other: It was mentioned that Hannah Smith and her mother had been in an accident and that Gilbert Fogle was having surgery. Sally will send a card to each family.

Polly mentioned that our breed standard says nothing about the mouth and she feels that is should stipulate a sound mouth.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Barney – Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING

January 13, 2016

8:30PM eastern

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