Present: Colin Siegmund, Polly Hopkins, Coleen Smith, Greg Deakin, Linda Koeppel, Jack Price, Sally Barney

Polly called the meeting together with a quorum present.

Old Business:

Banner Magazine Junior Notes: Sally reported that Banner Magazine has invited breed associations to ask a junior member to write junior notes, for their breed. Junior notes will be placed in the association’s column. Juniors are encouraged to send pictures of Border Leicester activities as well. Sally stated that there are less than five days before the January notes are due and due to the time crunch Emily Gibson has agreed to write for January if the Board would like. It was agreed that Emily will write the January notes and that Colin Siegmund will take on the responsibility of asking various junior members to write the column in the coming months. Colin will forward the names of those writing, and their email addresses, to Banner so that they can provide sufficient notification to the juniors.

Revised Income and Expense Report 2015: Polly noted that Bill has submitted an amended End of Year Income and Expense Report for 2015. Colin moved and Greg seconded the motion to accept the revised report. The motion passed. The revised report will go into the January newsletter.

Budget: Polly reminded the Directors that she had forwarded a draft budget to each of them electronically. The budget is a combination of the budget drafted by Bill and the comments and suggestions of the Director’s at the previous meeting. Polly pointed out that the Budget is based on the premise that Adult dues would be increased to $30 and that Junior dues would increase to $20. Following discussion by the Board, Jack moved and Colin seconded a motion to increase the Adult/Family dues to $30 and the Junior dues to $20 effective January 1, 2016. The motion was approved. Greg moved and Coleen seconded a motion to approve the addition of a $500 grant fund. Colin moved that the motion be amended to increase the NEYSS amount to $300 (based on a current very real need) and reduce the Grant Fund to $400. Jack seconded the amendment. The amendment passed and the amended motion to add a grant fund was also approved. Greg moved and Colin seconded the motion to approve the budget as amended. The motion was approved. The approved budget will be sent to all Directors, to the Webmaster and to the Newsletter Editor.
New Business:

**Paid Advertising Videos on the Website:** Jack shared that he will be emailing JoAnne to see if it was possible to put 3-5 minute slide shows or videos on the ABLA website. The videos would be a form of paid advertising and run for a specified price and for a specified period of time. This topic will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Barney – Recording Secretary

**NEXT MEETING**
**MARCH 9, 2016**
**8:30PM Eastern**

Approved March 9, 2016