American Border Leicester Association  
Board of Director’s Meeting Minutes  
April 6, 2016


A quorum was present.  
The meeting was called to order by President, Polly Hopkins.

Secretary’s Report - Sally reported that she had sent the minutes of the March meeting to each Director electronically. There being no discussion, Jerry moved and Coleen seconded the motion to approve the minutes as sent. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report - Bill reported that there are currently 112 paid members and 57 that have not yet renewed their membership. There have been, to date, 30 registrations and 11 transfers. Bill reminded the Director’s that he had sent his report electronically to each of them. Jack made a motion, seconded by Colin, that the Treasurer’s Report be approved as sent. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter – Dena reported that she was working on the May newsletter and that she did not have a member profile for May. It was agreed that a profile was not needed in this issue. Sally said she would send the Bio nominations of candidates seeking seats on the Board of Directors. Submitting Bios are Jack Price, Greg Deakin, Coleen Smith and Stacy Taylor. Dena reported that asking for newsletter ads in a “face to face” setting was working fairly well. Jerry will ask Zeifingers for an ad, Jack will ask the Illinois Wool Board and Linda will ask Frankenmuth. Dena also asked if any Directors could forward pictures of shearing, weaving, etc.

Publicity/Promotion – Linda is working on the welcome packet. Based on feedback from Directors, Linda will add the All American Junior Sheep Show to her welcome letter. The packets will be sent to new members next week and new member names will appear in the next newsletter. Polly said she would get the Directory done before Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival and needs to have Bill send her the application forms from new members.

Website – Jack reported on an idea he had for a Border Leicester promotion video for the website. The concept was heartily endorsed. Jerry will contact Kansas State to see if he can get a knowledgeable person to assist with the project.

National Border Leicester Sale – Linda and Dena will set up the breed display at Wooster. Greg has the display and will bring it, Marilyn Fogle is bringing her coffee pot and Sally & Dwight will donate donuts for Sunday morning. Greg reported a strong Border Leicester consignment. Dena will put the week-end schedule in the newsletter and request donations of Silent Auction items for Saturday night. Anyone attending the informal gathering on Friday night should bring something to share. Vida and Jack will provide a lunch on Saturday. Taylors are donating a ewe lamb with the proceeds to benefit ABLA youth programs.

Youth Activities – Colin reported that he will be handling the Buyers credits for the Wooster Sale. He is always looking for juniors who are willing to write the junior news for Banner Magazine; Director’s should forward names to Colin. Colin also reported that the Taylors are donating a ewe lamb, to be auctioned at Wooster, to support youth programming.
**Futurity** – Polly stated that nominations should be coming in soon.

**Finance** – Polly reported that Jack and Sally will be auditing the Treasurer’s books while in Wooster.

**Old Business:**
**Election** – Sally reported that Greg Deakin, Coleen Smith, Jack Price and Stacy Taylor have submitted election Bio’s. The results of the election will be made public at the Annual Meeting in Wooster, OH. The Bio’s will be sent to paid members on April 25 or 26. Sally will send the Bio’s to Polly and Greg will mail. The date for ballots to be returned is May 13, 2016.

**Breed Standard** – Polly reported that she has not completed this project.

**New Business:**
**Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival** – Polly reported that Marcia Haggie will be handling the breed display. There are 2 Border Leicesters entered in the sale.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Barney – Recording Secretary

**Approved June 15, 2016**