Present: Linda Koeppel, Stacy Taylor, Greg Deakin, Holliday Thomas, Tiffany Deakin, Jerry Wigglesworth, Jack Price, Heather Stoltman

Meeting called to order at 8:33 p.m. by Linda Koeppel

Treasurer’s Report: Jack reviewed key figures and states there is more money now than in report; 121 memberships paid to date; Greg made motion, Holliday 2nd to approve report; carried.

Secretary’s Minutes: motion made Linda, Jerry 2nd; to approve as submitted; carried.

Futurity: Holliday reported all materials have been sent to her by Polly; nominations have been received for 2 ewes

Publicity/Promotion: Linda reported magnets will be available at the ABLA booth in Maryland

Website: Greg reported Jamie will continue to make changes to the ABLA website until a new web designer is hired

Youth Activities: Colin was not in attendance to report.

Newsletter: Tiffany asked to have all “Neck of the Woods” submissions by May 1st as she will be finalizing the newsletter for mailing in early May

Scholarship for Youth: Holliday asked to have the scholarship application voted on as drafted with one addition, a section for references. Motion made by Greg, Holliday 2nd, all approved 2018 scholarship application to be published using the guidelines submitted by Holliday with this addition. Tiffany will include it in The Banner if finalized version is received by the 17th; she will also give it to Jamie for our website and include it in our May newsletter.

“F” Factor: Jerry has nothing new to report

National Show and Sale: Linda would love to see Borders well represented in the fleece competition. Please feel free to send fleeces to Linda if you are unable to attend and she will transport and enter them for you. Heather has reserved a room at Jake’s Steakhouse in Wooster for the meeting and silent auction to be held; menu and reservation deadline will be finalized within the next few days and details sent to all board members, Tiffany, Jamie and Polly. Tiffany will draft and have announcements published in The Banner and our newsletter. Greg reports there are 41 Borders consigned to the national sale, 27 white and 14 natural color from 14 consigners. Greg has asked Marcia Haggie to manage the ABLA display at the Maryland Sheep and Fiber Festival; Marcia will also represent Border Leicesters in the parade of breeds using one of her sheep.
Directors vacancies/bios: Linda reported no bios have been received for consideration for the upcoming Board vacancies. Discussion followed regarding several names board members will contact asap to obtain a final decision. Tiffany needs to have bios by Sunday evening to get them in published. If more time is needed, please contact Tiffany directly so she can plan for space and give you a date for the late submission. Heather will compile and send ballots to the membership for voting.

Next meeting date: Monday, May 14, 2018.

There was no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Stoltman, Secretary