

**American Border Leicester Association
Board of Director's
Meeting Minutes
August 23, 2010**

Present: Polly Hopkins, Greg Deakin, Anne Key, Kerry Phelps, Sue Johnson, JoAnne Tuncy, Jennifer Bierhuisen, Sally Barney

The meeting was called to order by President, Polly Hopkins. The minutes of the July 5, 2010 meeting were approved as sent to each Director. It was requested that the current numbers of ABLA registrations and transfers be announced at each meeting. The Treasurers report was accepted as submitted. JoAnne reported that there had not been a lot of income generated; after some discussion it was questioned as to whether the latest payments from Associated Registries have appeared on the bank statement.

(Reported Following the meeting: Current to date - Registrations 682; Transfers 262)

Newsletter: Sue pointed out that the newsletter did not seem to be meeting the newsletter guidelines as established by the BOD. The list of new members, not included in the Breeder Directory, has not been in the last few issues; the website address and membership form has not been included recently; the breed standard has been omitted, etc. The possibility of greater support from a newsletter committee was discussed as well as the possibility of having an outside source put the newsletter together. Greg agreed to talk with the Newsletter Editor.

Website: JoAnn reported that the membership form has been updated on the web site reflecting that dues are sent to JoAnne and not to Polly; the Work Order needs to be updated by Associated Registries. Polly will send the newsletter to JoAnn for inclusion on the site.

Futurity: Kerry reported that 22 sheep have been nominated for the Futurity. Few results have been forwarded at this time.

Shows: Polly reported that 13 youth exhibited 30 head of Border Leicesters at the Northeast Youth Sheep Show in West Springfield, MA. A number of shows had selected a Border Leicester as a Supreme Ram or Ewe including Wisconsin State Fair, Montana State Fair, RI State Fair, etc. Upcoming shows include the Regional Border Leicester Show at Woodstock Fair, CT; Eastern States Exposition National Regional Border Leicester Show; The New York Bred Ewe Sale, Rhinebeck, NY; and the NAILE National Border Leicester Show. It was reported that there is a lot of interest in the Junior Border Leicester Show at NAILE.

Committee Assignments: The following committee assignments were announced:
Publicity: Anne Key, Chair; Greg Deakin
Newsletter: Sarah Hopkins Jakeman, Editor; Greg Deakin
Website: JoAnne Tuncy, Webmaster

Junior Activities: Kristen Gibson, member; Position of Chair is vacant
Futurity: Kerry Phelps, Chair; Kit Phelps
Annual Meeting: Sue Johnson & Jennifer Bierhuisen, Co-Chairs
National Show: Greg Deakin, Chair; Anne Key
National Sale: Greg Deakin, Chair; Marilyn Fogle, Sally Barney, Don
Morehouse, John Moran
National Fleece Show: Marilyn Fogle, Chair; Jerry Early, Dena Early
Finance: JoAnne Tuncy, Chair; All Directors

ABLA Signs: Anne Key forwarded examples of sign she uses for promotion. Anne agreed to get a price quote for the signs she shared. The original of the past ABLA sign is unable to be located.

Life Membership: Sue suggested that based on her long standing support of the ABLA and her contributions to the ABLA that Di Waibel be made a lifetime member of the ABLA. It was moved by Jennifer Bierhuisen and seconded by JoAnne Tuncy and unanimously voted by the Board to name Di Waibel as a lifetime ABLA member. It was agreed that Polly would send a letter to Di on ABLA letterhead announcing her appointment to Lifetime Member. Stacy will forward letterhead to Polly and Sue will assist with the letter.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Barney – Recording Secretary

NEXT MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 2010

8:30 PM Eastern