

AGENDA ITEM NB I

PROPOSAL – Take the opportunity to save the association by eliminating the previous BOD/BS committee changes to the Breed Standard by returning to the original standard. This was not a haphazard approach as these founding members were experts in their fields and took their time in the exact wording in laying out this standard from their careful and painstaking research. This standard may be found in the: pygmy goats the best of MEMO 1975-1981 pages 5-6, “The Pygmy Goat Breed Standard May 1st, 1975, Revised October 1st, 1979”.

Thus, allowing registration of progeny from all registered parents.

IF any future changes need to be made to the Breed Standard, allow the membership full disclosure of proposed changes to allow for full debate to examine all implications over a period of time of at least one year.

REASONS- The above mentioned standard withstood the test of time for decades before insidious changes eroded both it and the association. A quote to consider is from the keynote address of the 1985 NPGA convention that may be noteworthy at this point is “..... Cliquishness, power politics and behind the scenes wheeling/dealing are corrosive pitfalls, often the bitter end of so many organizations... we need to set firm moral and procedural guidelines and safeguards so we may achieve greater professionalism and greater compassion ... that we provide NPGA’s future generations with a supportive, benign social climate in a well-structured, nurturing environment in which all of us, and all our goats, can flourish and multiply.” Eva Rappaort.

ADVANTAGES- Revitalize this torn association and promote the health and wellbeing for a flourishing breed by providing a healthy gene pool focused on structure and not cosmetics.

DISADVANTAGES- none

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – Increased revenues from registrations, new memberships, and retention of current members. Refusal to revert back to the original standard and correct these missteps will be reflected in the continual decline of this association.

CONCLUSION: There is still time to save this association. Please do not flaunt this opportunity due to personal agendas/prejudices/discriminations.

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