

I move to allow participation in open sessions of the NPGA BOD meeting January 9-10, 2021 via Zoom of the directors unable to attend in-person, based on the WA statute pandemic accommodation.

Justification:

The precedent was established when the June meeting was an electronic meeting without an in-person vote. The situation with the pandemic is essentially the same as when the decision was made for the June meeting, and there was no motion/vote to only hold the January meeting in person. The state of Washington has passed some guidelines for operations during the pandemic. As we are incorporated in the State of Washington, we have the ability with Washington Stature RCW 24.03.085(3) proclamation “to ratify voting by mail, by electronic transmission, or by proxy for non profit organizations as long as this proclamation is in effect, no matter what our own documents say.”

Additionally, RCW 24.03. 120 provides that a board may meet via Zoom “even if the corporation’s bylaws do not specifically permit meeting by conference call or other electronic communications.”

YES: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Hudson, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins.
NO: Woodward

Motion 2021-04 Watkins/Salmi. Pass 9-1-1

I move that the Board of Directors Amend 2021-3 to state:

I move to allow attendance without participation in open sessions of the NPGA Board of Director meeting January 9-10, 2021 via zoom of the directors unable to attend in-person, based on the WA statute pandemic accommodation. Since each region is properly represented, only those directors attending in person will be allowed to vote.

YES: Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Hudson, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins.
NO: Woodward. ABSTAIN: Beaver

Approval of Minutes: The Board unanimously accepted the June 2020 minutes.

Approval of Agenda: The Board unanimously accepted the January 2021 agenda.

Election of Officers:

President-Chad Hudson was nominated by Brittany Cunningham. Chad accepted. Lisa Salmi was nominated by Sheryl Howard. Lisa declined. Chad Hudson was elected President.

Vice President-Diana Woodward was nominated by Eva Morgan. Diana accepted. Sue Seiler was nominated by Sharon Irving. Sue accepted. Diana Woodward was elected Vice President.

Secretary-Darren Watkins was elected.

Treasurer-Debbie Chew was elected.

(The Board recessed at 8:59 am while the newly elected officers took their positions in the boardroom. Meeting resumed at 9:16 am)

Central Office Report

Business manager Dori Lowell reported that there are no issues with the office at this time.

We currently show 1,071 current members. There are 104 members who have dues payable before 12/31. Renewal notices were mailed out on 12/1 and I would expect that I will get at least 50% of those paid. Our membership is in decline again. I can't say for sure, but the fee increase and Covid is most likely the reason for the decline.

No Goats were reviewed during this period. I did send one goat to the Breed Standard but when the owner was asked for additional photos of the goat to review, they did not respond so the matter was dropped, and the application returned to the owner.

The Business Manager contract review/approval will be moved to Sunday before the budget session.

The Central office report was unanimously received and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BREED STANDARD COMMITTEE

Elaine N. Krieg, the Breed Standard Committee Chair, says the committee has reviewed 1 set of photos from the Central office in reference to qualifications for registration. The Breed Standard Committee has been communicating with the JTC Chair and will be working together to clarify a few topics that bring up continued questions from judges and breeders.

The Breed Standard report was unanimously received and accepted.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, and RESEARCH

HER Chair Jay Griffiths, DVM answered several phone calls regarding sick goats and spoke to several 4-H leaders about basic herd health management. He also participated and judged at a local 4-H show and answered several email questions.

The HER report was unanimously received and accepted.

The President appointed Amber Genda, DVM as the new HER Chair with BOD approval

JUDGES TRAINING COMMITTEE

JTC Chair Carol Hepner stated her committee are working on a couple things for the judging manual and some clarification of the judge's con-ed point system. There are currently 9 JE candidates eligible.

The JTC report was unanimously received and accepted.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

PR Chair Diane Keith stated her committee has been working on several projects. The Board of Directors would like to see the PR committee focus on 4-5 projects and have them ready to present to the board in June. The 3-4 banners need to be sent to the publications committee for approval and then sent to merchandise to be listed for sale by June meeting. Diane also needs to appoint a PR moderator for the Public Relations Facebook Page.

The Public Relations Chair budget request will be moved to Sunday before the budget session.

The Public Relations report was unanimously received and accepted.

PUBLICATIONS

Publications Chair Lisa Salmi stated her committee has reviewed and approved articles for 2 editions of the MEMO publication.

The Publications report was unanimously received and accepted.

YOUTH

No Youth report was received.

The Board of Directors discussed 2 potential resumes for the open youth chair position. The two candidates considered were Madyson Hepner and Amanda Salmi.

The President appointed Madyson Hepner as the new Youth Chair with BOD approval.

COMPLIANCE

Compliance Chair Fran Bishop stated there were no compliance issues.

The Compliance report was unanimously received and accepted.

The President appointed April Seiler as the new Compliance Chair with BOD approval.

COORDINATOR REPORTS

AFFILIATED CLUBS

No Affiliated Club report was received.

The President appointed Eva Morgan as the Affiliated Clubs Chair with BOD approval.

(The Board recessed at 10:23am. Meeting resumed at 10:33 am)

SHOW COORDINATOR

Show Coordinator Chair Susan Seiler stated that canceled shows were the biggest issue. There were over 38 events cancelled. Of those, 3 requested refunds of the sanctions paid (\$886.00), for 5-7 the payments were voided before deposit (>\$1381.50), and 12 were rescheduled and the shows have been completed. There are still 12 events that have been credited for future use. Many of these are county fairs.

The Show Coordinator report was unanimously received and accepted.

REPORT OF AWARDS

Report of Awards Chair Shanna Breeding stated it was very slow but when the rush started it was crazy. So many errors in paperwork and judges misplacing ROA's or forgetting to send them into Dori (many more than last year). We have almost as many Master Champion Does this year as last year even though we didn't have any shows from March–May.

The Report of Awards report was unanimously received and accepted.

ELECTIONS

Elections Coordinator Chair Karen Crowder stated Region 5 had a director that rotated off. Ballots were needed in Region 2 for the Director position. In Region 2, Jane Coneybeer, decided not to run after nominations were closed. Kevin Kress the region's VRD then automatically filled the position. Thus, leaves Region 2 without a VRD. I would like to thank everyone involved for their cooperation and help through this year's election process. All expenses incurred in the coordination of this election roster, was absorbed by my firm.

The Elections report was unanimously received and accepted.

ADT LIAISON

ADT Liaison Amber Genda, DVM stated there is no new information to report in animal disease traceability. It is recommended by the NPGA that the "E" or "ET" tattoo to be placed in the right ear and just above the registry tattoo if that is present. This is a NPGA recommendation and is NOT part of the federal rule. If you have already tattooed animals in a different location, you are still compliant.

The ADT report was unanimously received and accepted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

MEMO

The MEMO contract review/approval will be moved to Sunday before the budget session.

The MEMO report was unanimously received and accepted.

WEBMASTER

The Webmaster contract review/approval will be moved to Sunday before the budget session.

The Webmaster report was unanimously received and accepted.

MERCHANDISE

Becky Adams & Diana Woodward discussed the decrease in sales during 2020 and decided to lower their budget to \$5,500. They also provided the Board with an updated inventory list. At the direction of the board, they will provide a Profit & Loss summary as soon as they can.

Motion 2021-07

Watkins/Irving

Pass 11-0

I move to add the following highlighted text to NPGA Rules & Regulations Section 1(A)1 (1): Nominations, questions of the nominees, and the secret ballot election will be conducted one office at a time, beginning with the office of President. Elections for Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer will follow in order. In the case of an uncontested office, no secret ballot will be required. Secret ballots shall be tabulated by the Business Manager in conjunction with a director who will be drawn at random at the beginning of the meeting. In the absence of the Business Manager, the president will appoint a director that will not be running for a position on the E-board. Advance campaigning by intended nominees is permitted but not required.

YES: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Irving, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins, Woodward. NO: none

New Business Item C: New members to be members for a calendar year to vote in elections

Motion 2021-08

Watkins/Woodward

Fail 9-2

I move to only allow new members to vote in elections after they have been a member for 1 calendar year.

YES: Watkins, Woodward.

NO: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Irving, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis.

New Business Item D: Allow 2 or more judges to evaluate goats at the same time

Motion 2021-09

Woodward/Beaver

Pass 11-0

I move to refer this motion to an Ad Hoc Committee to work on and present to the Board in June. President Hudson appointed Darren Watkins to lead this Ad Hoc committee.

YES: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Irving, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins, Woodward. NO: none

(The Board recessed at 3:15pm. Meeting resumed at 3:24 pm)

New Business Item E: Reinstate the Parliamentarian position

Motion 2021-10

Beaver/Woodward

Fail 9-2

I move that the position of a parliamentarian be reinstated/added into the RR. Prior to 2002, NPGA had a board member acting as a parliamentarian during board meetings. He/she advised the president on questions of parliamentary procedure and/or Roberts Rules as needed. He/she also makes sure that our rules are followed, especially regarding Roberts Rules. A parliamentarian will assist the president in

Leaving all the ribbon sizes the same way as they are now would result in about an \$18,000 expense for ribbon purchase. But the Board passed New Business H reduces the cost of the ribbons to about \$12,500.

Public Relations request for a \$400 increase was approved.

Youth Committee was approved for a \$200 increase.

Memo Ads need to be increased to help offset the costs of printing the MEMO.

Ad Hoc Committee formed to explore reducing the cost of the MEMO. Lisa Salmi was appointed to looking this issue and report back at the June meeting.

(The Board recessed at 10:40 am. Meeting resumed at 10:50 am)

Motion 2021-18

Kress/Te Grotenhuis

Pass 11-0

I move to approve the 2021 Budget.

YES: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Irving, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins, Woodward. NO: none

Closed Session began at 11:30 am

Open Session Resumed at 12:28 pm

Motion 2021-21

Te Grotenhuis/Irving

Pass 11-0

I move to adjourn the meeting.

YES: Beaver, Chew, Cunningham, Howard, Irving, Kress, Morgan, Salmi, Te Grotenhuis, Watkins, Woodward. NO: none

Meeting ended at 12:30pm.

June 2021 Meeting is in Loveland Colorado on June 3&4, 2021

**Submitted By:
Darren Watkins
Secretary**