

National Pygmy Goat Association
Board of Directors Meeting
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The meeting was called to order at 8:13am by President April Seiler. Present were Vice President Michael O'Kelly, Treasurer Linda Shipley, Secretary Michelle Fonda and Directors Karen Butler, Lynda Gredin Linda Henwood, Karen Hepner, Joyce Hubbard, Maggie Leman, Rebecca Mumpower, Jason Overman, Cheryl Rogers, Jean Sisco, Stetts Stettler, and Business Manager Dori Lowell. The Directors welcomed and introduced themselves to one another.

Officer Reports

President: President Seiler discussed that there are some changes that need to be made to the January 2013 Minutes. Therefore approval of the minutes will be delayed until the changes are made (a copy of the updated minutes was distributed to the board for review). The President also brought before the board a question regarding an agricultural lien. A member is requesting that NPGA issue registration papers on at least six animals that are involved in the lien. There has been 2 years of no response from the other party, but there is no court documentation that these animals have been awarded to the member. The member will be advised that documentation awarding of the animals in question to the member's name is needed to transfer the animals as per our RR.

Vice President: Committee reports submitted on time. Trouble getting the Merchandise reports and inventory list.

Secretary: Minutes and motion index will be updated.

Treasurer: All information needed to fully complete the Treasurer's report to the Board for the period ending May 31, 2013 has not been received yet.

Central Office Report

Business Manager Lowell discussed her report. The overall numbers are basically stable with the membership numbers slightly declining. No roster this year, using up old ones for the new members. Will burn a few more discs if we run out.

Online registration talk about later on.

Expired membership list for each region were distributed to the respective director.

Membership involved in registration list:

2012 data- There are 548 members actively register goats. Many people believe they have to be members to register and/or breed goats.

Accountant has not responded so financial report is late.

Certification Report

Certification report three or four came in that were grey/tan that were denied, all went through BS and certification for a decision.

One new progeny animal has been submitted. Two patterns occurring that are questionable - 1. Brown body color with complete socks and 2. Red cheeked. Submitted for registration with many different names. There have been 5-6 this year.

Central office recently received a letter from the USDA regarding new microchip requirements. By May 11, 2014, the chip number will require a code (increasing the number size). Our system can accommodate the increase in number size in the microchip field. Dori spoke with Elsie at EZId, they do provide microchips that meet the new specifications and there are readers that read both types of chips.

The report was received.

Breed Standard

Chairperson Wortham submitted an addendum to his original report with the committee's position on several additional agenda items. The report was received.

Health, Education & Research

The report was briefly discussed.

The report was received.

NAIS

NPGA received a letter from the USDA, to inform the organization about the new required 15 digit number chip required for interstate transportation of animals, as of March 11, 2014. A letter to NAIS will be drafted by Ray Hoyt and sent by President Seiler, voicing the organization's objection. Jason Overman will obtain more information regarding the requirements at an upcoming conference and will write an article to inform the membership. Information will be posted on NPGA's website as it becomes available.

Report received.

Break - Director Fraser joins meeting.

Judges Training

The scoring system was discussed. The pass rate has increased over the past several years as the Hormel system was clarified.

Further review of the scoring system and sheets used in scoring was discussed.

After reviewing the report, several items will be requested from the Chair.

1. Scoring sheets for this year's testing.
2. Proof of scoring system – Hormel
3. The date Kelly Estes rotates off.

The board discussed the 3 topics presented by the JTC in the report.

Topic 1: judges chairing/showing. This topic is addressed later in a motion.

Topic 2: Wether sanctions. This was discussed at a previous meeting and it did not pass. The board had no appetite at this time as well.

Topic 3: There is currently a requirement to be a Judge for three years prior to serving on the committee. There was no appetite by the board to increased that time to a six years requirement prior to serving as the JTC chair.

The report was received.

Public Relations

The board requests more detailed description of planned activities. This position is to be advertised in MEMO. Need one more committee member preferably from Region 6 or 8.

The report was received.

Publications

The report was received.

Webmaster

With the discussion of online registration, Maggie Leman discussed what it would require with Aaron Esterline. He stated it would take approximately ten hours to get it set up. Use similar process as the Pygora system which Aaron is familiar with.

NPGA's information is also being moved to a new server. There should be very few notable changes, but it will not go down as often.

The webmaster will consider writing an article that explains why the server goes down and the procedure to address the situations.

The report was received.

Youth

A member inquired how to donate the money from a now defunct club to NPGA to be specifically used for youth activities. It was determined that the donation could be applied to youth scholarships and the rest would be noted in a donations field for accounting purposes.

The report was received.

Coordinator Reports

Affiliated Clubs

The report was received.

Election

Motion 2013-18

Passed

Stettler/Rogers

I move that Paragraph 11D be changed to read:

For director, three written nominations bearing the information required in the Director Nomination Form, validated by the Election Coordinator are required, for Vacancy ... Delete last sentence.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None

The report was received.

Show Coordinator

A summary of the sanctioned shows over the past 2 years was provided. The Ribbon Recycling program notice has been sent out with each show pack. No ribbons have been returned even with the incentive of a free sanction for next year.

The report was received.

Report of Awards

There are candidates for the position. The current ROA Coordinator has resigned to eliminate any perception that there is a conflict of interest by the membership.

The report was received.

Department Reports

Both MEMO Editor and Merchandise Chair term limits are up and therefore both have been advertized in MEMO and on the website.

MEMO Editor

Further care will be made to make departments aware of their budgets.

The report was received.

Merchandise Department

Lynette contacted April after report was written and suggested updating the index for the best of MEMO 4. She also recommended a new form of credit card machine or square, to be coordinated with the new coordinator. An inventory list was not received prior to this board meeting. Once appointed, Lynette will work with the new coordinator regarding the transferring (shipping) of the merchandise. Merchandise is available at this Convention as Jose Torres volunteered to pick it up from Lynette and transport it to Convention. Maggie Leman will host the booth. Left over merchandise will remain with Maggie who will take it to several shows to continue to sell it.

The report was received.

Compliance Committee Report

The Compliance Committee has had a full but non-controversial year. We have three committee members and the chair. We have resolved 6 complaints and we are currently reviewing 2 complaints that will be submitted to the Board with recommendations prior to the June meeting. I have notified the NPGA President that we will have these 2 complaints prior to the meeting so she could include them in the agenda.

There are no costs so no budget issues are involved. I am aware that the Board discussed the need or advisability of Compliance Committee members maintaining anonymity. I am open to whatever the Board decides. I have not asked the current members because their response would be personal and could compromise their anonymity if they are involved in such a discussion this June. I also am aware that some Board members think the Compliance Committee should or could be comprised of other than just current Board members. If the Board would like they could recommend I make recommendations for either or both changes and I will be glad to make appropriate proposals for the January meeting. I would ask that, if the anonymity guaranteed for the current committee members is going to be changed, that I am allowed to discuss the matter with each committee member for their willingness to continue with the different criteria.

Submitted respectfully,
Timothy Norman, Ph.D.

The report was received.

Lunch break.

CLOSED SESSION

The following positions were appointed and approved during closed session:

Merchandise Department- Becky Adams

MEMO Department - Carol King

Webmaster - Maggie Leman

Report of Awards - Sandy Hall

Judges Training Chair - Michael O'Kelly

Dinner break 6:15-8:15pm

OPEN SESSION

Historical Ad Hoc Committee

No report was submitted

Ad Hoc- Website Design, Online Reports

1. Institution of Online Show Results. The recommendation is to have the results converted to a .pdf file with pictures and placings. The results/photos would be the same submitted to MEMO and would be proposed to remain on the website for one year. The oldest results would then roll off and be replaced by the most recent. It has been established that there is enough space on the server to accommodate this.

This allows the results to be available to everyone and is good advertisement.

These duties will be the responsibility of the webmaster and MEMO editor.

2. Online registration is more difficult. Timeline to do this is unknown. Table until next meeting.

Dori stated that there are logistic issues, concerns. Discussed modeling a new system after the Pygora association system; Aaron Esterline designed that one. Straw poll indicated that the board wants this to go forward and that the committee should go forward and report back in January with more specifics on logistics and implementation.

Both items will be further pursued.

Report received.

Ad Hoc - Meeting of Member Committees

Motion 2013-21

Passed

O'Kelly/Butler

I move that the paragraph regarding Email meetings in the Ad Hoc Meeting of Member Committee report be adopted as a guideline and distributed to all committee chairs.

E-Mail Meetings: If a committee chair conducts any committee business by e-mail, all relevant paperwork/documentation must be sent to all committee members with specific instruction on what the committee members are to do with that material. Any communication by any committee member from that point forward must go to all members (keying Reply All). The chair will be responsible to ensure that these procedures are followed. In this manner, the chair and all committee members should have a complete file of all material under consideration and of all comments and input from every participating committee member. If any voting by committee members is a part of the business being conducted, the chair will compile the voting tallies by all participating committee members. Since all exchanges are done in writing, the chair's own complete file with all correspondence and voting tallies will constitute the official record of the proceedings.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

Ad Hoc- Business Between Meetings/Teleconference

A proposed system was tested by the committee. It is doable but difficult. The moderator should not be one of the directors, as to allow the directors to fully participate in the meeting instead of one being tasked with the technical issues of the meeting. Dori would be another option for moderator as she attends every meeting. Ballots can be done in a secretive way.

Report received.

Motion by Mail:

Does not meet the Washington state bylaws currently. Needs to be amended and/or changed. Needs to have consent form added.

Ad Hoc - Appeals of Decisions to the Board –

Tabled to January new chair Denise Fraser

Old Business

Due to insufficient notice to the membership, items A and B in Old Business have been tabled until the January 2014 meeting.

- A. Amend section 5.2 of the Bylaws; paragraphs 3, 8, and 9G of the Rules and Regulations; and paragraph 8 of the President's Job Description for clarification of the types of committee.
- B. Amend section 3.1 of the Bylaws regarding meetings in order to more completely comply with Washington Nonprofit Corporation Law.

Adjourned at 10:00pm

June 14, 2013, Started at 8:00am.

New Business

- A. NPGA Rule and Regulations, Paragraph 2, be deleted in its entirety. (Stettler)
- B. Add new NPGA Rules and Regulations, Paragraph 2 (Stettler)
- C. Ratify MOTION BY MAIL #07-14, July 2007 and Motion (by Mail) #2011-17, May 2011. (Stettler)

Agenda items A-C are in reference to updating the procedure for Motions by Mail. Two motions were generated, 2013-34 and 2013-35, and voted on as follows:

Motion #2013-34 Passed Proposed by: Stettler/Henwood

I move to ratify Motion by Mail 2007-14 (July 2007) and Motion by Mail 2011-17 (May 2011).

- Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Lemman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

Motion #2013-35 Passed Proposed by: Stettler/Leman

I move that R&R #2 Motions by Mail be deleted and replaced with the following:

Motions by Mail

1. *A motion properly seconded, must be delivered to the NPGA Secretary and President and copied to the Central Office. Although referred to as a 'Motion by Mail', the actual motion and all related correspondence may be delivered by either electronic means or by USPS.*
2. *Upon receiving a motion by mail, the Secretary will within 7 days send a Consent Form to each director with the motion stated.*
3. *The Secretary will allow 30 days for the directors to receive their motion and return their Consent Forms. After 30 days or upon receipt of all the Consent Forms, the Secretary will count the votes, notify the President and Business Manager with the outcome of the pending motion, then send notification of the vote to all directors within 7 days of receiving the Consent Forms.*
4. *In order for the motion to pass, Consent Forms must be returned by all directors eligible to vote with the time allowed. The vote must be unanimous to pass.*

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Lemman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

D. New Rules and Regulations, Para M be added to current Rules and Regulations, Para 1. BOARD ACTIONS AND BOARD MEETINGS (Stettler). This motion was tabled until the January 2014 board meeting.

E. NPGA Bylaws, Para 4.16, be changed in two places. (Stettler)

I move NPGA Bylaws, Para 4.16, be changed in two places as follows:

a. Add new second sentence, "Business and elections may be transacted by electronic teleconference or other electronically-aided means as described in Rules and Regulations of the organization."

b. The current second sentence, be changed by deleting the word "mailed" and adding the word "delivered" in its place.

This motion was tabled until the January 2014 board meeting.

F. Changes to current NPGA Rules and Regulations, Para 8, STANDING COMMITTEES and SubPara H. Judges Training Committee, SubPara 1. (Stettler)

Motion #2013-22

Passed

Proposed by: Stettler/O'Kelly

I move that:

a. Change RR SubPara H.1. Judges Training Committee from "Shall be composed of a chair person, who is a NPGA licensed judge in good standing, and a nucleus of other licensed judged in good standing, not to exceed the number of regions." to read, "The Judges Training Committee shall be chaired by an NPGA licensed judge in good standing."

b. Change current NPGA Rules and Regulations, Para 8, STANDING COMMITTEES, SubParas A. through F. to read as follows:

8. STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES

A. All standing committees shall be composed of a chair appointed by the President, subject to approval of the Board of Directors, to a three year term, plus a nucleus of members not to exceed the number of regions, having appointed terms of three years each. Ad hoc committees are expected to remain in effect until their purpose and tasking is completed or until new board members are installed. They will be composed of a chair appointed by the President with approval of the Board of Directors, plus the minimum number of members necessary to carry out their duties as determined by the chair. Appointment of all committee members shall be made by the chair with notice to the Vice President. Standing committee member terms shall expire at the end of the month three years after their appointment. All ad hoc committee members serve at the will of the chair. There will be a one-year lapse between terms served by standing committee members. All committee chairs may serve consecutive terms. The Vice President will provide a list of all chairs and their terms of office to the Business Manager by February 1st. All chairs will provide names of all committee members, along with their rotation schedule, to the Business Manager by February 1. This information will be published in the annual membership roster. (06-13, 07-03, 12-5)

B. The Vice-President will notify each chair, after the January Board meeting, of their budget amount. Reimbursement requests must be sent to the Central Office by November 1st. Chairs will include their costs and projected expenses in their January reports to the Board.

C. Committee Chairs

1. All openings for NPGA Chairs shall be advertised in MEMO with the exception of the Judges Training Committee Chair in which a notice shall be delivered directly to all licensed judges. Interested members should request a job description from the Vice-President and then submit a statement of interest and qualifications. The Vice President shall keep the applications on file if the desired chair position is not open at the time of submission, and shall notify all the applicants as soon as the position becomes open. All applicants must be members in good standing.

2. If a chair vacancy shall be deemed by the President to represent an emergency situation, an interim appointment may be made by the President and approved by the executive committee, until the normal application process can be implemented. Interim chairs may not appoint new committee members.

3. *Committee chairs will report to and be supervised by the Vice-President, except that the Compliance Committee Chair will report to and be supervised by the President.*

4. *Committee chairs shall sign a statement at the bottom of both the NPGA Committee Chairs job description and the particular job description for their respective committees that they have read, understand and will comply with their job descriptions.*

5. *When a majority of the Board of Directors find that the chair's performance of duties has been unsatisfactory, the President will remove the chair.(09-10)*

a. Since service as an NPGA Committee Chair is a privilege and not a right, termination of service as a chair may be made without prior notice or right to hearing. (09-10)

b. More severe penalties than removal from a chair's position may only occur if an actionable complaint is filed under the Compliance Procedure and is ultimately sustained by the Board of Directors, and the severity of the offense warrants such penalty. (09-10)

D. Before committees can propose changes, the change must have passed through the committee with a majority vote of agreement in writing by the committee members.

E. Chair Restrictions

1. No one individual may chair more than one committee, except individuals may chair no more than two ad hoc committees in addition to one standing committee.

2. The President may not concurrently chair a committee. (08-22)

F. A chair, with the approval of the Vice President, may remove a committee member if the member's performance of duties has been unsatisfactory. As with committee chairs, since committee service is a privilege and not a right, termination of service of committee members may be made without prior notice or right of hearing. In case of a conflict of interest between the chairperson and the Vice President, approval by the President is required. (09-10)

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

G. Color pattern or random markings of the offspring of NPGA registered parents not be used to delay or deny the registration for animals with proof of DNA parentage (Stettler)

Motion #2013-21

Failed

Proposed by: Stettler/Leman

I move that the color pattern or random markings of the offspring of NPGA registered parents not be used to delay or deny the registration and/or wether certificate of ancestry for those offspring with DNA proof of parentage by registered NPGA animals. The purpose of a registry is to certify lineage, not necessarily quality or the presence or absence of faults.

Yes: Fraser No: Butler, Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. Absent: None

President Seiler appointed an Ad Hoc committee to address this color pattern and options for tracking the color pattern with regards to applying it to 'pet' certification only. It would be similar to AKC with limited registration. Jason Overman is the Chair.

H. I move to add a sentence to end of Rules and Regulations, para 4.C. regarding Rush service. (Stettler)

Motion # 2013-23 Passed Proposed by: Stettler/Shipley

I move that a sentence fragment be added to the end of 4.C, Duplicate certificates may be requested for \$5.00, rush services for \$6.00.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O’Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

I. Limiting access to information requested from the Central Office (Seiler)

I move that a policy be established regarding requests for information from Central Office including registration applications and photos. Add RR 4.P. Copies of pictures, applications or other documents that contain information other than the requesting member’s personal information will not be provided without first having a written request submitted for review and approved by the board of directors. These reviews will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

This motion was tabled until January 2014.

J. Change to Rules and Regulations 8.L. Publication Chair not concurrently serving on board (O’Kelly)

After discussion, the board had no appetite.

K. Close the herdbook (O’Kelly)

Motion 2013-24 Passed O’Kelly/Fraser

I move that NPGA close the herdbook as of January 1, 2014. Animals that are undergoing the progeny process can be completed, but no new applications will be accepted.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, O’Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco. No: Hubbard, Stettler. Absent: None.

Director Sisco volunteered to write an article for MEMO notifying membership. Members can initiate progeny testing prior to January 1, 2014. After that date, no new applications will be accepted though those that have started the process may finish.

L. Certification Committee restructured (Seiler)

After a lengthy discussion, this motion will be rewritten and submitted in January.

M. Changes to Show Rules: Show Rules G.9.b-c. Youth sanctioned wins. (O’Kelly)

Motion 2013-25 Failed O’Kelly/Sisco

I move that the following changes be made to the Show Rules:

Show Rules G.9.b-c be changed to read:

b. The Recorded Grand Champion of a Restricted Show shall record one win. 3 credits shall equal a full Grand Champion win and the animal is no longer eligible to compete at a Restricted show. Any Junior animal receiving 1 full Grand Champion will not be eligible to compete until age requirements are met.

c. Only one win towards a Permanent Grand Champion may be earned as the recorded

Yes: O’Kelly. No: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Hubbard, Stettler. Absent: None.

N. Revise Breed Standard, Section 2, color and breed specific markings (Henwood)

Motion 2013-26

Passed

Henwood/O'Kelly

I move to revise Breed Standard, Section 2, Color and Breed-Specific Markings, as follows:

*CARAMEL – Body Color: **Caramel with black markings**: Any shade of white through dark tan. Required Markings: (a) muzzle, crown, eyes and ears distinctly accented in white and may be intermingled with hairs the same color as body; (b) Vertical stripes on center front of socks same color as body; (c) sides and rear of socks, dorsal stripe and martingale accented in black or brown; (d) Face: Accented in black or brown. Amount ranges from partial to complete according to age and gender. Optional Markings: white patches or bellybands anywhere on barrel between point of elbow and stifle joint. **Caramel with brown markings**: Any shade of white through dark tan. Required Markings: (a) muzzle, crown, eyes and ears distinctly accented in white and may be intermingled with hairs the same color as body; (b) Vertical stripes on center front of socks same color as body; (c) sides and rear of socks, dorsal stripe and martingale accented in brown; (d) Face: Accented in brown. Amount ranges from partial to complete according to age and gender. Optional Markings: white patches or bellybands anywhere on barrel between point of elbow and stifle joint. (91-09, 04-12, 05-02, 06-16, 07-06, 09-03)*

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, O'Kelly, Rogers, Shipley, Stettler. No: Fraser, Mumpower, Overman, Sisco. Absent: None.

O. Change the description of Disqualifying Faults, Breed Markings in the Guidelines for Judging Pygmy Goats (Henwood)

Motion 2013-27

Passed

Henwood/Butler

I move that the description of Disqualifying Faults, Breed Markings in the Guidelines for Judging Pygmy Goats be changed to:

Under Breed Markings:

FROM: Complete lack of all breed specific markings

TO: Lacking all breed specific markings or having non-conforming NPGA color/pattern.

Also make the corresponding changes to the Guidelines for Judging Pygmy Goat Wethers, General Appearance:

FROM: Complete lack of all breed specific markings

TO: Lacking all breed specific markings or having non-conforming NPGA color/pattern.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None

P. Revise the Registration Application, Color Section (Henwood)

This motion is to be combined with N. to be reworked in 90 days.

Q. Revise the Registration Application, Genetic Faults Section (Henwood)

Motion 2013-28

Passed

Henwood/O'Kelly

I move to Revise the Registration Application, Genetic Faults section, as follows:

Current:

*It is recommended that any animal possessing the following genetic faults not be registered or used for breeding. **NON CONFORMITY OF HEIGHT/CANNON; HERNIAS (SCROTAL OR UMBILICAL); NATURAL HORNLESSNESS; ROMAN NOSE; FACE CROOKED; DISFIGURING MALOCCLUSIONS; EARS PENDULOUS; LACKING DISTINCT BREED***

SPECIFIC MARKINGS; CRYPTORCHIDISM; MULTIPLE ORIFICES IN BUCKS, NON FUNCTIONAL AND/OR BIFURCAL TEATS IN DOES; HERMAPHRODITISM; BLUE EYES.

Revised:

It is recommended that any animal possessing the following genetic faults not be registered or used for breeding.

LACKING ALL BREED SPECIFIC MARKINGS OR HAVING MARKINGS THAT CHALLENGE BREED IDENTITY; NON CONFORMITY OF COLOR, OF HEIGHT/CANNON; HERNIAS (SCROTAL & UMBILICAL); NATURAL HORNLESSNESS; ROMAN NOSE; FACE CROOKED; DISFIGURING MALOCCLUSIONS; TOTAL BLINDNESS; EARS PENDULOUS OR HELICOPTER CRYPTORCHIDISM; MULTIPLE/FUNCTIONAL/BIFURICAL TEATS IN BUCKS; MULTIPLE ORIFICES IN BUCKS, NON FUNCTIONAL AND/OR BIFURCAL TEATS IN DOES; HERMAPHRODITISM; ANY EYE COLOR OTHER THAN BROWN.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco. No: Stettler. Absent: None.

R. Amend Breed Standard, Section 8 (Henwood)

Motion 2013-29

Passed

Henwood/Shipley

I move to revise Breed Standard, Section 8 as follows:

Breed Standard, Section 8. Under Registration—

Goats showing traits which are listed as disqualifying in NPGAs Guidelines for Judging Pygmy Goats shall be ineligible for registration: however, registration shall not be an indication that a goat does not possess disqualifying faults. Registration applications submitted to NPGA for animals which are believed by NPGA to have disqualifying traits or non-conforming to color/pattern will, at the request of the Business Manager, be referred to the Certification and/or Breed Standard Committee to determine whether or not they will be accepted for registration. In this event, the Business Manager will notify the owner that the application is being forwarded to the Certification/Breed Standard Committee for a decision. If additional photos are required to evaluate the color/pattern or fault, they will be requested from the owner at that time. Any application denied by the committee(s) may be appealed to the Board of Directors for consideration at their next scheduled meeting. The decision of the Board of Directors is final.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O'Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

S. Revise RR 8.L.2 NPGA publications.

Motion 2013-30

Passed

Seiler/O'Kelly

I move that:

RR 8.L.2 be revised to read:

"Shall review and evaluate all existing and proposed NPGA publications for accuracy and compliance with NPGA policies, except for publications that are produced by the Board of Directors or have already been approved by the Board of Directors."

and

Revise the Publication's job description #4:

"Reviews and approves any new website information prior to its being placed on the website. Excluded from this requirement are updates to existing material (name changes, addresses, etc.) and publications that are produced by the Board of Directors or have already been approved by the Board of Directors."

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, O'Kelly, Shipley. No: Fraser, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Rogers, Sisco, Stetter. Absent: None.

T. Addition to Judges Code of Ethics (Seiler)

There has been concern as to the posting of selected champion animals by judges on social media sites. This is question whether there is some perceived unethical behavior in these actions. This will be addressed by the JTC but further action by the board is deemed unnecessary at this time. This motion was withdrawn.

U. Addition to Show Rules B.2 Judges chairing and judging shows (Seiler)

Motion 2013-31 Passed Seiler/Hubbard

I move to add to Show Rules B.2. :

h. The judge shall not judge a show if he/she has first shown at an open show at that show event, except in the case of an emergency.

i. A judge must not be a judge of a show that he/she is also chairing.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O’Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

V. Secretary Job Description Change, timeframe for prepared meeting minutes (Fraser)

Motion 2013-33 Passed Fraser/O’Kelly

I move that the secretary’s job description be changed as follows:

4. Prepares minutes and sends those drafts of minutes to other members of the Executive Committee for review within sixty days of the previous Boards meeting. Upon approval by the Executive Committee, copies of the complete version will be sent to all Directors for approval. Directors will be given 7 days to provide input. Upon approval by the majority of the Board members, copies of the published version will be sent to all committee chairs, the Memo Editor for publication, and the Webmaster for posting on NPGA’s website.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O’Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

W. Publish a listing of all does in MEMO that have achieved a “+” status in their respective calendar year (O’Kelly)

Motion 2013-32 Passed O’Kelly/Mumpower

I move to publish a listing of all does in the Spring issue of MEMO that have achieved a “+” status in the previous calendar year. Submitting the animal to the MEMO editor for inclusion is the responsibility of the owner.

Yes: Butler, Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, O’Kelly, Overman, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None. Absent: None.

**Convention Bid for 2014, Region 6
Crossroads Pygmy Goat Club
Heartland Pygmy Goat Club**

2 bids were given for the 2014 Convention. The 2014 Convention will be hosted by Crossroads Pygmy Goat Club on June 11-17, 2014 in Charlestown, Indiana.

CLOSED SESSION

Meeting adjourned on Friday, June 14th at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle E. Fonda, NPGA Secretary

April Seiler , NPGA President