



2017 ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 25, 2017

10:00 AM Mountain Time

There being no quorum at 10AM, those present proceeded with discussion and review of website. Also discussed was growth in our various sectors to be included with other information in our letter to the new Secretary of Agriculture and other relevant administrators.

President Andries called the meeting to order 1/24/17 at 1:56 PM

A quorum was present. Directors attending, Ken, Bob, Lary, Betty, Tom and Matt

Others Attending: Anita (Exec Director), Jimmie Ruth Evans

REVIEW AND APPROVE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

- A motion was made by Lary and seconded by Bob to approve the Conference Call minutes from 10-11-2016: passed unanimously.
- A motion was made by Lary and seconded by Bob to approve the conference call minutes from 1-6-2017: passed unanimously, with note that second to adjournment not recorded.

2. EXECUTIVE REPORT

- Financials – change to financial reporting to match the fiscal year basis, beginning Oct 1, 2016, ending Sept. 30, 2017. Anita recommends carryover of \$50,000 to be healthy; membership promotion did bring in some renewals. Wait on new membership promotion until we see how new website info pans out; Bob will promote at upcoming meetings. Tom/Bob move to approve - unanimous
- Activities - Anita asked all directors to provide her with their goat-related activities.
- Membership Report for Calendar Year 2016 – goal last year was \$10,000. We are short of that at \$5950, but making progress. Put organizational members as sponsors. Tom moved and Lary seconded to accept membership rept. Passed unanimously.
- Affiliate Membership Drive –Add affiliates to sponsorship list
- Government influence through ASI... also informational to various govtl levels. We are restricted from lobbying

3. SPONSORS- discussion of membership/sponsorship levels and designations; Betty moved and Tom seconded to raise sponsorship basic level to \$250.00: passed unanimously.

4. WEBSITE

- Opinions – Suggestions for Information – sponsor's logos on website

5. ADVISORY COUNCIL

- How to make better use of their limited time—

Contact with state vet offices has been very positive; Anita has not yet contacted extension offices. Put advisors to work getting info for us about state/local resources

The suggestion was made that we ask them to write small articles re: timely topics; archived articles so references always available; Tom=use advisory council to promote national goat research center \$5 mil. From fed. Govt.... put in farm bill.

6. DIRECTORS ACTIVITIES

- We really need to be able to include things directors do that are serving the goat industry and the agency/organization they're doing them through

7. SCRAPIE GRANT

- What new activities for us and sub grants – more flexible requirements than in the past. Webinar.... Includes scrapie & q-fever we can use that \$\$.
- Status of activities to date for new grant – Betty will make sure that ADGA gets proposals in for natl show & annual meeting. Tom: do webinar with Premier One to promote scrapie program through eartag use. Tom will talk with Premier about doing it. Current grant monies: \$12,000 for grants, subgrants, educational materials; 2200 for website & publications, 3000 for flashdrive, 8000 speaker fees (Anita send me a breakdown on this, please); Anita will send out notice in newsletter to watch for webinar later this spring = teaser.

8. PLANNING

- Sheep & Goat Sector Meeting (3/31/2017)- meeting with APHIS – Ken cannot go... has conflict. Hill visit date? Tom can be there; Bob will be there for ASI on 28th & 29th. (USDA first day; 2nd day meet with reps, etc.) Tom: launch major offensive on farm bill (goat research center)

9. GOAT CHECKOFF

- Do we keep it on hold: yes

10. USAHA AND NIAA MEMBERSHIPS-Tom moved and Lary seconded to remain members: Passed unanimously.

- Dues are due
 - i. USAHA: \$650.00
 - ii. NIAA: \$500.00

11. MEMBERSHIP IN IGA – International Goat Association – dues: \$50/basic, \$150. includes the SRR- (Small Ruminant Research); Larry moved and Betty seconded to join at \$150 level: Passed unanimously.

12. STATUS OF NATIONAL GOAT CONFERENCE (FEB 14-17) – postponed

13. Seat on ASI Board – Bob – 2nd seat on board? 3 face-to-face meetings each year; Request appt of Ken as agf rep to asi board. Anita read letter for justification of our place on ASI board. Cooperative efforts are also important (Tom.)

14. ELECT OFFICERS Pres: Ken, VP: Lary Secy: Betty Treas: Matt. Tom moved and Bob seconded to accept for another term. Nominations closed. Passed unanimously.

15. BUDGET – A motion was made by Tom and seconded by Betty to continue w/ 2016 budget & have conf call to discuss/approve any necessary changes: Passed unanimously.

16. ADJOURN – Bob moved and Lary seconded to adjourn: Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Henning, Secretary