

April 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by PBA Secretary, Nan Nichols

President Ruth Hawkins opened the regular quarterly meeting on April 3, 2017, via Yahoo Group email. All directors reported as present: Fran Bishop, Chris Utterback, Ruth Hawkins, Nan Nichols, Erica Brown, Debbie Eubanks.

Minutes from the January 2017 meeting of the board were posted by Nan Nichols and approved: Fran Bishop, Nan Nichols, Chris Utterback, Deb Eubanks, Ruth Hawkins, Erica Brown.

Fran Bishop submitted a Treasurer's report, which was posted and approved: Fran Bishop, Nan Nichols, Chris Utterback, Deb Eubanks, Ruth Hawkins, Erica Brown.

All committee reports below were submitted by Chris Utterback, posted and approved: Fran Bishop, Nan Nichols, Chris Utterback, Deb Eubanks, Ruth Hawkins, Erica Brown.

Breed Standard: Fran Bishop - Nothing to report

Judge's Training: Fran Bishop - One test being reviewed

Fiber: Terry Mattson - No report. We're in the midst of moving to the beach temporarily until we find a home here in town. Sold the farm!

Education Fund: Carrie McLachlan - Carrie has reported that there is a proposal that the committee has looked at and recommend approval by the board. She was unsure how. (See Motion 17-3 for the proposal and decision by the PBA board.)

Youth: Janet Tilp - no report

Public Relations: Colleen McGee & Terri Kistler - The only thing I have at the moment is that Ruth, Debbie and I are participating in the Mother Earth News fair with information about the breed. The event is free for an educational booth and there are several of these across the country. We recommend others participate in events near them where possible. Exhibitors may bring goats, fiber, yarn, finished items and pamphlets. ~Colleen

Merchandise: Ruth Hawkins & Erica Brown - The Merchandise committee is currently having a 30th Anniversary Merchandise order placed. Items should be to people for the 2017 show season. It was a small order, so we do not anticipate doing a second order.

Erica is already working on the 2018 Pygora Goat calendars. ~Ruth

Newsletter & Webmaster: Maggie Leman - No report

Old Business

Articles of Incorporation, Motion 16-4 – where is this process? It is currently being worked on. – Ruth

Federal Trademark Registration, Motion 16-5 – where is this process? TM is still pending. - Ruth

Show Secretary duties – potential revision and update of information as listed on the PBA website to be determined by the Show Secretary (Erica Brown) and the Registrar (Fran Bishop) - Pending

New Business

Ruth updated the board on the election results for director positions; Regions 1 & 2 had single candidates nominated for each, while there were 2 candidates for Region 3. As per Ruth,

"I want to take this moment to thank all the ladies that ran for a BOD position. The ballots are in and have been counted. The results are as follows:"

Region 1 - Erica Brown Region 2 - Ruth Hawkins Region 3 - Nan Nichols

Show Rules Correction: During the last meeting it was brought up that in the show rules, the bucks were not included to have the same requirement as the does. It was an oversight and could be easily corrected. If everyone is fine with the Judges Training Committee simply making the below change, then I will give it to the committee to fix. No need for a vote, as it was an oversight. If there are any objections, please let me know.

It would fall under section B. Goat Regulations

AS it reads now: 12. The following goats are ineligible to be shown in sanctioned shows. Doing so will be considered a violation of the PBA Show Rules. A goat in violation of any of these requirements below will forfeit all ribbons, awards, premiums and newsletter announcements.

b. If a doe has no progeny registered with PBA and has reached two years old she can not be shown until she has registered offspring.

CORRECTION would read: 12 b. If a buck or doe has no progeny registered with PBA and has reached two years old it can not be shown until it has registered offspring.

The above change will be implemented by Fran Bishop and Chris Utterback as there were no objections.

Motion 17-1 Sanctioned Fleece Class for Maiden Does FAILED

Maker - Debbie Eubanks Seconded - Ruth Hawkins

I move to include a sanctioned Fleece Class for Non-breeding/Maiden Does based on the recommendations of Chris Utterback, as written below:

Fleece shows for non-breeding/Maiden does

PBA is a breed organization dedicated to the production of quality Pygoras. Our goat’s main product, besides kids, is its fleece. We recognize that some purebred Pygoras do not stand up well against the breed standards which is why most males are neutered, leaving only the outstanding ones to pass on their genes. PBA has recognized the ability of these animals to still be a useful part of the breed by virtue of their ability to produce a wonderful fleece. We believe it would be good for the Pygora breed to allow members who do not want to breed their does the opportunity to exhibit the doe’s product, fleece, in PBA sanctioned fleece shows. To essentially ‘neuter’ them and register the as Maiden does. This certificate would only be for does that have never been bred. All other standards for registration would apply. A PBA registration certificate stating that the doe is a maiden/ non-breeding doe would be issued. The proposed certificate would allow these maiden does to be shown in only PBA sanctioned Fleece shows.

We propose that these maiden does be allowed to participate in fleece shows in the wether classes. This is because maiden does and wethers have the same stress put on them and their fleece, so the playing field is level. We would like to rename this combined class and are looking for suggestions.

Further... we propose if a person changes their minds and decides that they would like to breed the doe and have PBA registered kids, a fee of \$50.00 would be required to make this change.

Yes: none No: Ruth Hawkins, Nan Nichols, Erica Brown Abstain: Chris Utterback, Fran Bishop, Debbie Eubanks

Motion 17-2 Change to the PBA show rules to allow Maiden/Non-Breeding does to show in PBA FAILED

Maker – Chris Utterback Seconded - Fran Bishop

The purpose of this proposed change to the PBA show rules is to allow Maiden/Non-Breeding does to show in PBA sanctioned fleece shows.

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Does that have been unsuccessful in producing kids can apply for maiden/non-breeding permanent registration certificates. These applications will be submitted to the show rules committee who will determine if a certificate should be granted.

The fee for first time registrations as a maiden or non-breeding doe would be the same as for any permanent registration. If, however the doe has a permanent registration as a breeding doe or as a non-breeding doe and the owner wishes to change it, they must pay the regular registration fee again. If they want to change it a second time the fee will be \$50.00

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Yes: Chris Utterback No: Ruth Hawkins, Nan Nichols, Fran Bishop, Erica Brown, Debbie Eubanks

Motion 17-3 Education Fund Request APPROVED

Maker - Erica Brown Seconded - Fran Bishop

I make a motion that we accept the request from the Education Committee to utilize PBA Funds, as listed below for promotional material to be used at the Mother Earth Festival to promote the Pygora Goat.

Event: Mother Earth News Topeka KS October 21-22 2017

<http://www.motherearthnewsfair.com/wp-content/uploads/Media-Kit-2017.pdf>

We would like to request funds for educational materials printed through Vista Print:

PBA Brochures: What is a Pygora 700 = 280.00, Pygora Fleece Facts 250 = 120.00, Spinning Pygora Fiber 250 = 120.00

PBA Banner with grommets 41.50

Estimated Shipping 20.00

Total request = 581.50

No: none Yes: Fran Bishop, Nan Nichols, Chris Utterback, Erica Brown Abstain: Deb Eubanks, Ruth Hawkins

No Announcements. The next meeting will be July 24, 2017. The board meeting was adjourned on April 7, 2017.