AMGA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 5, 2016 Vancouver, WA

NB: These minutes were approved at the Board Meeting on January 28, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President, Sherie Clark at 10am. George Germaine gave the invocation. Roll Call: Present-Sherie Clark, Chandler Lindsley, Sharon Virtue, George Germaine, John Gerow, & Gennie Gerow. Absent were Dave Moeller, Adam Lasch, & Michael Birch. Guests included Julie Harris and Hays Boyd.

Motion to accept the agenda as amended was made by George Germaine and seconded by Chandler Lindsley. Motion passed. Amendments to the agenda were: Definition of "member in good standing", Breeders Guide on-line and CD, Youth Program, Grass based promotion piece, Lifetime Members.

Motion to accept the minutes from the directors meeting of March 20, 2015 in Columbus, OH. George Germaine moved and Sharon Virtue second. Motion passed.

Motion to accept the minutes from the directors meeting of February 10 & 11, 2016 in Chicago, IL Sharon Virtue moved and George Germaine second. Motion passed.

In the absence of treasurer, Dave Moeller, John Gerow gave the Treasurer report. Motion to accept by Sharon Virtue and seconded by Chandler Lindsley. Motion Passed.

Executive Director report was given by John Gerow.

Gennie Gerow presented the membership list for 2016 for approval. George Germaine move to accept and Chandler Lindsley second. Motion passed.

Shades committee report: Chandler reported that we are still planning on an October 30th mail date. They are also looking into quotes on printing. George Germaine questioned where the motion was to have someone other than the office do the Shades magazine and brought up the issue of already being contracted with John & Gennie to do AMGA publications. After discussion it was decided that the AMGA office will do the publication of the Shades of Grey with Hays Boyd working along with John as the Assistant Editor. Sherie Clark ask that it be read into the minutes that "We appreciate all that Hays and Chandler have done so far with the Shades and we all will be working together to produce the Shades"

Old Business

Code of Conduct was discussed. The board reaffirmed that all board members must sign the code of conduct before the first meeting of the year during which they are serving.

Gerow Contract was presented. Motion to accept the contract was made by Sharon Virtue and second by Chandler Lindsley. All members voted in favor.

Motion to review contract annually was made by Sharon Virtue and second by Chandler Lindsley. All members voted in favor.

Motion to compensate the Gerow's \$600.00 a month for Executive Director/Registrar services was made by Sharon Virtue and second by George Germaine. Passed unanimously.

Motion to compensate John Gerow \$20.00 per page per issues of major publications. Motion made by George Germaine and seconded by Sharon Virtue. Passed unanimously.

Motion to compensate the Gerow's \$1000.00 a year to maintain the AMGA website. Motion made by Sharon Virtue and second by George Germaine. Passed unanimously.

Directive to put together a "In case of Emergency" file to be kept in the AMGA office. This file will include bank account info, storage info, ABRI contacts and instruction, ABRI operating manual, & any other pertinent passwords and contacts.

Motion to return to the previous set fees for classified ads on the website. This motion was made by Sharon Virtue and second by George Germaine. Passed unanimously.

New Business

John Gerow presented a members request to bring daughters of off color, unregistered females of known ancestry in as 75% rather than 50%. Issue died for lack of motion.

Audit proposal was presented and a motion was made to accept as amended by George Germaine and second by Sharon Virtue. Passed unanimously.

Written performance review item was tabled. A committee was formed to establish a job description and criteria for a performance review of the executive director. Members on the committee are: John Gerow, president of the board and Julie Harris. This committee will have their report ready at the winter meeting.

Arbitration Committee topic died for lack of motion.

Recessed for lunch at 11.30

Reconvened at 11.45

MGIA Negotiation. Chandler Lindsley reported that she had presented the AMGA proposal to MGIA president and secretary. MGIA rejected the proposal.

Online registrations subject died for lack of motion.

There was an invitation from the Eastern Murray Grey Association to have the 2017 National Show in Milwaukee in September. Motion made by George Germaine and second by Chandler Lindsley. Motion passed.

Winter board meeting. Sharon Virtue made the motion and Chandler Lindsley second to authorized Gennie to find the best price for rooms sometime between Jan. 10th ---Feb. 20th 2017 in Las Vegas.

Definition of member in good standing. Committee was formed to define the meaning of "member in good standing" as used in the by-laws. Chandler Lindsley and Julie Harris will report back to the board at the winter meeting.

Breeders Guide. Motion was to put the breeders guide online and to have it burned to CD's or hard copy available upon request of new members. Motion made by Chandler Lindsley and second by George Germaine. Motion passed.

Directors established a committee to begin the development of a youth program. The committee is Julie Harris and Hays Boyd.

The board directed John Gerow to begin working on a grass based promotional piece.

Sharon Virtue moved that the association buy the plexiglass image of the bulls head offered by Adele Price. George Germaine seconded and the motion passed.

John Gerow gave a presentation on the need for our association to begin planning advertising and public outreach through traveling to grazing events, trade shows and member farms. John also shared fee structures for other breed associations to show how they fund their programs and services.

Recessed at 1.30 till after the Annual Membership meeting.

Reconvened after annual membership meeting.

Election of officers for 2017: President—George Virtue

Vice President—Chandler Lindsley

Secretary--- Julie Harris

Treasurer—Sherie Clark

Meeting was adjourned.