

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
January 15, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
Board Meeting 1-15-02

Directors present Ray Howard, Dick Sheehan, Jeff Jones,  
Dwayne Flynn and Mark Smith

Paige McGrath submitted a letter of resignation to the  
ALSA Board of Directors on December 15, 2002.

Dick made a motion to approve minutes from Nov 8 and  
December 17th, 2001, Dwayne seconded the motion,  
minutes both approved and passed as motion carried.

Dwayne moves Mark seconded to approve Treasurers  
Report. Motion Carried.

Jeff moves that 3 judges presented by the Judges  
Committee, Recertify Terry Duespohl as Llama Level III,  
Recertify Cathie Kindler as Llama Level III and Beth Myers  
as Llama Level III approved to recertify Mark seconded,  
Motion Passed

Changes on the Nominating Committee with Shawn  
Norman being replaced by Mary Jo Miller as Chair and  
Sandra Payne representing the Central Region.

Motion made to leave the Executive Secretary contract as  
it is and retroactive to January 1st if approved after further  
study. Jeff and Dwayne supported it. Motion carried.

Jeff proposed to accept what Showring proposal that was  
submitted by Carol Hicks for the next 2 issues until the  
position has been finalized. Dwayne seconded. Motion  
Carried. Dick abstained.

Due to the many changes to the ALSA BOD's during the last year, the Board has tried to use the By Laws properly to fill Board vacancies. The By Laws state "vacancies will be filled by the non elected candidates who receive the highest vote tally in the last election", those with the highest vote who were not elected in the last election are being placed in the positions with the longest remaining terms. These decisions were made after consultation with an ALSA Parliamentarian. Jeff moved, supported by Dwayne, that Mark Smith fill the remaining term of Paige McGrath and that Carol Ann Tallmon fill the remaining term of Polly Scofield. Sandy Wickam, having the next highest vote tally, will serve out Carol Hicks term. Motion Carried.

Dwayne moved supported by Dick that the attorney situation be tabled till next meeting.

Jeff made Dwayne seconded to table discussion about the Grand National proposal.

Next meeting set for Tuesday, February 12 at 8 pm est

Jeff moved to adjourn Mark seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dick Sheehan, Secretary**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
February 12, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

ALSA teleconference Board Meeting February 12, 2002 at  
8:00 PM

Directors Present: Ray Howard, Dwayne Flinn, Jeff Jones, Sandy Wickham, Dick Sheehan, Carol Ann Tallmon and Mark Smith also present was ALSA Executive Secretary, Cheryl Ryberg

President Ray Howard opened the meeting by welcoming new Board members Wickham and Tallmon. Mark Smith moved to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2002 meeting as written, Dwayne Flinn seconded, motion carried.

Minute approval process was discussed with new Board Members.

Treasurer Jeff Jones made a motion to move \$50,000 into the investment account during the Treasurers Report. Carol Ann Tallmon seconded, motion carried. Carol Ann moved to accept the Treasures Report, seconded by Dick Sheehan, motion carried.

Jeff moved to give gift baskets ( \$35 - \$50 to volunteers that go beyond the norm ), Cheryl will continue with the procedure that she makes recommendations to the Board and sends gifts to the ones that the Board approves. Mark seconded, motion carried.

Dwayne moved, Dick seconded to approve the letter from the Board, recommended by the Judges Committee, to George Peoples with the change in wording. Motion carried.

Mark moved that we approve the recommendations from the Judges Committee, supported by Sandy. Motion carried. They are as listed:

Recertify Dolores Gardner at Llama Level III  
Recertify Carolyn Blaylock, Cathy Kindler, Tami Lash, Beth Myers, Deb Yeagle and Hank Kauffman at Alpaca Level II  
Certify Shannon McConnell and Sue Tucillo as Alpaca Level I  
Certify Carolyn Blaylock, Tami Lash and Deb Yeagle as Alpaca Fleece Judges

Recertify Mary Reed and Anthony Stachowski as Alpaca Level III in lieu of compensation for instructing the Advanced Alpaca and Fleece Clinic in December, 2001.

Also the Judges Committee recommended to the Board the following: Any present Youth and Performance Judge wishing to upgrade their ALSA Judging license to include Youth Judging classes must successfully complete one apprenticeship with a Level III Judge during halter classes. They must successfully complete one apprenticeship with a Level III Judge during Youth Judging classes. These two apprenticeships may be completed at the same show. They must also attend an Advanced Llama Judging Clinic.

Motion to accept this recommendation by Mark, Sandy seconded, motion carried.

The 2001 Regional Shows Profit and Loss Report was presented by Dwayne:

Western + \$4,192  
Rocky Mountain - \$827  
Central + \$4,851  
Buckeye + \$219  
Great Lakes + \$1127  
Eastern + \$656  
Southeastern + \$697  
Susan Grey paid \$1,500 toward premiums

Recommendation from the Education Committee to approve two Advanced Llama Judging Clinics. Also to have an introductory Fleece Clinic. Dick moved, Carol Ann

seconded, motion carried.

Nomination Committee reported that many nominations were coming in. Bobra Goldsmith requested that she be replaced by Willow Kauffman on the Committee. The motion was made by Dwayne, supported by Mark, motion carried.

The Planning and Policy Committee recommended that changes be made to ALSA's Bylaws. The membership will be informed of these changes. Jeff moved, seconded by Sandy that we approve these changes. Motion carried.

#### Unfinished Business

Jeff nominated Dick for the vacant Vice Presidents position. Mark moved that the nominations be closed and that we cast a unanimous ballot, Carol Ann seconded. Motion carried. A motion by Jeff, supported by Dick that Mark replace Dick as Secretary of the Board. Motion carried. After some discussion of the ALSA Office Contract, Jeff moved to approve the contract of \$81,500 for each of the next two years and that more details concerning the contract be worked out at the next Board meeting. Carol Ann seconded. Motion carried.

The Budget Committee's report was tabled until the next meeting.

Due to the addition of three new Board Members, Board members volunteered to be liaisons to the following committees:

Dick - Performance, Alpaca and Education

Carol Ann - Publication and Show

Dwayne - Regional, Handbook and Protest

Sandy - Ethics, Membership and Fiber

Mark - Youth and Judges

Jeff - National Show

Ray - Nomination, Election, and Planning and Policy

Dwayne moved and was seconded by Mark that we accept Carol Hicks' proposal for the next three issues of the "Showring". Motion Carried

A letter from Hank Kauffman regarding the Grand National was discussed and a decision was made to postpone this decision until Jeff spoke to Hank. The Board

will resume discussion at the face to face meeting in March.

The recommendation from the Protest Committee was discussed. A motion by Carol Ann and second by Dwayne to accept. Motion carried.

Jeff moved seconded by Carol Ann that a letter should be sent to Jo Riley with the attached Board Minutes how the Board would like to resolve an issue. Motion carried.

The next Board Meeting was discussed. March 15 - 17 was set for a face to face meeting in Columbus, OH.

The comment was made that every issue discussed and voted on by the Board was unanimous. Jeff moved, seconded by Dwayne to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mark Smith**, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
March 15-17, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

The ALSA Board of Directors met for a face to face meeting March 15 - 17, 2002 in Columbus, OH. Members present: Ray Howard, Dick Sheehan, Dwayne Flinn, Sandra Wickham, Jeff Jones, Mark Smith, Carol Ann Tallmon. Also present was ALSA Exec. Secretary Cheryl Ryberg.

President Howard presented a new Policy and Procedure Handbook, a copy will be kept at ALSA Headquarters.

Discussion was held concerning the keeping of the corporate book in addition to keeping minutes and requirements of corporate records, Vice President will keep copies in CD form of the ALSA Database at minimum, on a yearly basis.

Committee Chairs from all Committees need to ASAP get copies of all of their working information, all manuals and working software, to the ALSA Office to be stored in ALSA safety deposit box in disc or CD format. Each committee will in the future send this information thereafter by the end of each quarter.

Committee Reports

Election Committees: Dwayne Flinn will be the new Board Liaison

Show Management: Carol Ann Tallmon will be the Board Liaison and Patty Fisher will be asked to Chair.

Fiber Committee: Requested corrections made to the handbook, they will submit concerns of previous errors. Suzie Smithers will be the new chairman.

Grand National: Jim Atkinson has been appointed chairman.

Handbook Committee: Suggested changes must be in by May 1st by request of the BOD Liaison, Ray Howard, and be submitted to Gayle Woodsum. All liaisons are asked to review the descriptions of the committee's duties that are listed in the front of the handbook for review for new handbook.

Judges Committee: Submitted approval of Gayle Woodsum to be certified as a Llama level II judge. Also submitted was new criteria for judges who would be eligible to be Head Judge at a Regional and/or National Show.

Youth Committee: Mark Smith BOD Liaison requested resumes for the position of Chairperson. Cathy Sheeter has been chosen for Chairman. Awards were discussed for youth high point winners. Mark will submit proposal after additional research.

Membership: Sandy Wickham BOD liaison submitted Carolyn Myers as the Committee Chair.

Nominating: Many nominations are coming in for the 2 seats on the Board. Ballots will be sent to the membership the 2nd week in May.

Dick Sheehan discussed pack trials, a packet of recommendations will be sent to the performance committee.

President Howard presented a copy of signed contract with Carol Hicks for Showring Publisher.

Questionnaire temporarily tabled.

Cheryl will check on the cost for making the Membership Directory in a 6 ring binder. Renewed memberships in subsequent years will then be sent the updated membership filler sheets. Plans are for the new directory to be mailed in mid-April.

Changes for the Tony Rollins Scholarship were discussed.



Proposed changes are:

- \*Must have an ALSA Youth Membership.
- \*Must be a current High School Senior.
- \*Scholarship winners have up to 5 years after high school graduation to have funds distributed to the college of their choice.

The Youth Committee will be consulted for final details.

In an attempt to encourage members in 2003 to get their membership dues paid by March 1st or a surcharge will be attached. Membership will remain at \$35 but if paid after March 1 dues will be \$45. Judges dues will remain \$20 if paid before January 1st, after that they will pay \$30 for renewals.

## BUDGET 2001

Grand National \$114,100  
Regionals 166,000  
Alpacas \$300  
Education \$1000  
Election 1,500.  
Ethics 300  
Fiber 300  
Finance and Budget 200  
Handbook 500  
Judges 300  
Membership 500  
Nominating 300  
Performance 500  
Planning and Policy 800  
Protest 200  
Regional Committee 300  
Show Management 500  
Youth 300  
Publication Committee 300  
ALSA Headquarters 81,500  
Office Supplies 1,000  
Showring Publisher 4,500  
Legal and Professional 5,000  
Postage Meter 240  
Printing 150.  
Software Development 5,000  
Banking fees 6,000

Board Expenses 20,000  
Telephone 6,000  
Membership 20,000  
Insurance 4,000

Jeff moved and Carol Ann supported to accept minutes of February 12th. Motion carried.

Dwayne moved and Sandy supported to accept treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Motioned made to add an increase of \$1,175 to each Regional Show for additional premium moneys to be used towards 5th and 6th place in every class, made by Jeff, seconded by Mark. Motion carried

Moved by Mark, seconded by Jeff to accept new committee chairs: Cathy Sheeter for Youth, Suzie Smithers for Fiber, Carolyn Myers for Membership and Patti Fisher for Show Management as well to confirm existing Committee Chairs. Motion carried.

Jeff moved, Carol Ann seconded that Dwayne become temporary BOD liaison to the Election Committee. Motion carried.

Dwayne Moved that we accept the contract for the Executive Secretary, Carol Ann Seconded. Motion Carried

Proposal received from Donoly Gardner, regarding qualifying for Grand National and Regional to be referred to National and Regional Show Committees. Proposal was also made by Donley Gardner to change the name to the American Lama Show Association. The Board has discussed and ultimately rejected this proposal due to corporation considerations. Donley also proposed a show exhibitor questionnaire designed to upgrade the quality of shows, in general. The exhibitors will return the questionnaire to the office. These letters have all been referred to appropriate committees.

Mark Smith moved that we accept the resignation of Hank Kauffman, replace him with Jim Atkinson as GN Committee Chair and Supervisor of the Grand National. A letter to be

drafted to Hank Kauffman with copies sent to the Grand National Committee.

Dick Seconded. Motion Carried.

Dwayne moved and Jeff seconded to accept new logo and to have it registered. Motion Carried.

Motion made that there be no data transferred electronically from the ALSA Office without Board approval, made by Sandy, Seconded by Dick. Motion carried.

Memorial monies to honor members that have passed on during the year to be contributed to the Tony Rollins Youth Fund, yearly in the amount of \$1,000. Money to be deposited the first of December. Dwayne moved, Carol Ann seconded. Motion carried.

Sandy moved, Dick seconded that Carol Hicks be hired as a temporary ALSA office consultant for \$15/hr with a maximum salary not to exceed \$1,000. Carol will assist in implementing new programs.

Carol Ann moved, Dwayne seconded to appropriate \$5,000 for advertising ALSA in select publications. Motion carried.

Jeff made the motion, Mark seconded that Gayle Woodsum be approved as an ALSA Llama Level II judge. Motion Carried.

Motion by Jeff, seconded by Carol Ann that two tape recorders (one for the Exec. Secretary and one for the BOD Secretary) be purchased. They will be used to record BOD meetings. All tapes shall be saved for a period of one year.

Discussion on changing the wording in the handbook on Level I Shows to read that the Open Obstacle Class be optional to encourage new shows that offer halter only classes. There are already performance, youth and fleece only shows. Mark moved and Sandy seconded. Motion carried.

The next BOD meeting will be by teleconference on May 7, 2002 at 8 P.M. Eastern.

Jeff moved Dick seconded that this meeting of the ALSA Board of Directors be adjourned. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mark Smith**, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
May 7, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Directors present, President Ray Howard, Dick Sheehan, Jeff Jones, Carol Ann Tallmon, Sandra Wickham, Dwayne Flynn also present, ALSA Executive Secretary, Cheryl Ryberg

Motion made to accept previous minutes, made by Carol Ann, seconded by Dwayne , motion carried.

Treasurers Report presented, motion made by Mark and seconded by Sandy to approve the report. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding settling financial concerns with Jo Riley regarding the Marketing Funds as well as the Copy Machine. A letter was directed to be sent to Jo. Motion made by Jeff to write a letter stating that the marketing fund was a loan and the marketing fund was approximately the same amount and a trade would be made in lieu of payment. A signed release needs to be signed by Jo Riley to complete this. Carol Ann Seconded, Motion Carried.

Motion made to buy a new copier machine for the ALSA by Dwayne, Sandy Seconded. Motion carried.

Judges Committee recommended that Level III Judges be recertified, Hank Kauffman, Darlene Vaughn, and Virginia Christensen. Mark made, Dwayne seconded, Motion Carried.

Judges Committee recommended that Level II shows, under 200 head be permitted to judge double shows, as amended. Dwayne moved, Jeff seconded motion carried.

Discussion held to try and get some of the Regionals moved to different dates to make more judges available.

Mark asks for approval of new Youth Committee members and Chaired by Cathy Sheeter. Members Robin Grewe, Jonathan Sides, Pam Hall, Karen Baum, Barbara Harris and Darrell Anderson. Jeff made and Dick Seconded a motion to approve this committee, Motion carried.

Carolyn Myers is working on a brochure that will be made available to tell about ALSA.

Recommendation made to pass back to committees regarding breaking up youth divisions into 3 divisions. Committee chairs were asked to have their recommendations back by May 31 to get these new rules into the handbook.

A committee is working on updates of the Obstacle Manual that is sold to show superintendents. An addendum would be added to the remaining manuals to be used until manuals are reprinted.

Wording should be changed for Tony Rollins Scholarship to applicants must be "at least, a high school senior" as was the Boards original intent.

Directory and Handbook would be in two separate binders as a one- time delivery to membership then only updates will be sent to be inserted into binders. Dwayne moved Mark seconded, Motion carried.

Attorney has been chosen Sinclair Jackson Reinhart and Hayden, motion made by Jeff and seconded by Carol Ann. Motion carried.

Consultant (Carol Hicks) duties will concentrate on working on making the internet up to date, informative, functional and more user friendly. Carol will be working with ALSA

Webmaster, Grant Miller for technical possibilities and Cheryl Ryberg for content.

Next Board Meeting slated for the second week of July 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mark Smith**, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
July 9, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

July 9, 2002

Directors present Carol Ann Tallmon, Jeff Jones, Dick Sheehan, Nicky Anderson-Kuklenski, Deb Yeagle, Mark Smith, Dwayne Flinn, also present Was Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Executive Secretary.

Dwayne moved Carol Ann Seconded to approve minutes.  
Motion Carried.

Election of Officers:

Dwayne proposed, Jeff seconded to elect Dick Sheehan for President. Dwayne proposed, Carol Ann seconded to elect Mark Smith for Vice President. Motion Carried

Mark proposed, Dwayne seconded to elect Deb Yeagle for Secretary. Motion carried.

Mark proposed, Dick seconded for Jeff to continue as Treasurer,

Motion carried.

New Board of Directors

President: Dick Sheehan

Vice President: Mark Smith

Treasurer: Jeff Jones

Secretary: Deb Yeagle

Hand Book Revisions.



Jeff moved, Deb seconded a motion to pay Gayle Woodsum, \$1,750 to put handbook in electronic form and have it ready for printing. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding handbook included requesting Gayle to put changes in BOLD print for the Board to go over at the face to face meeting. The face to face meeting will be scheduled when proposed changes have been arranged in handbook form for final approval.

Due to the increased costs of binders,

Jeff proposed to mail out shrink wrapped handbooks to be inserted into existing binders that were mailed out with directorie. They will not be send to show superintendents or to judges, as they get one with their membership. Youth will receive a binder with a handbook. Carol Ann seconded. Motion carried.

Jeff proposed ,Dwayne seconded make change in the By-Laws for the lifetime members not to get two handbooks.

Mark requested age group permeters for youth. 8-19 be age group 8 as of their birthday 1-1-being when the change for ages 9-18. These perimeters to be sent back to youth committee for work on breaking up into 3 categories or giving show supers the option of either 2 or 3 age groups.

Regarding Jo Riley unfinished business. As no response was issued from Jo Riley to proposal, A letter to finalize ongoing financial concerns will be drafted by President Sheehan. The letter will be sent by certified mail and no response to be considered an acceptance of terms offered by ALSA.

Board Liasons,

Ethic: Deb

Fiber: Deb

Membership: Mark

Nominating: Dick

Alpaca: Deb

Performance: Nicki

Youth: Nicki

Election: Dick

Planning/Policy: Dick

Education: Dick

Grand National: Jeff

Regional: Dwayne

Show Committee: Carol Ann

Finance/Budget Jeff

Handbook Revision: Dwayne

Judges: Mark

Protest: Dwayne

Publications: Carol Ann

Committee Reports:

Alpaca: No Report

Education: Connie Kauffman has resigned her position as committee chair. Mailings from committee and clinic registrations will be moved into ALSA Headquarters. Cheryl will be working with Mary Jo Miller who will co-ordinate what the office will be sending out.

Dwayne moved that we sponsor a beginning show and judges clinic in September with Hank Kauffman instructor in September at Pat Beadles in NY, Jeff seconded that motion. It carried.

Election Committee. Results are up on the web.

Dick Moved, Carol Ann Seconded a motion that newly elected Board of Directors plus the next 2 of the new Elected Board members are posted onto the website within 5 days of results, but only after all Board and Nominees have been contacted. Motion carried.

Ethics: No Report

Fiber: Discussion regarding new fiber book, Board members are requesting copies, Director Deb Yeagle will contact Suzie Smithers to have copies mailed to ALSA Headquarters.

Treasurers Report: Money needs to be carefully looked at to avoid negative cash flow. Proposed changes include Bi-Monthly Board Calls when possible. ALSA Advertising budget put on hold. Above listed changes to the handbook mailing, increased membership dues for 2004 to \$45 with a \$10 late fee after 1/1/03 for Judges and Members. Look at the Showring Advertising rates for 2003 with possible increase, but to keep the rates well below other industry rates as a benefit to members.

Dwayne moves to approve financial and accept recommendations in the treasurer report, Carol Ann Seconded, Motion Passed

Judges Committee Recommendations: Mark moved Jeff seconded motion for recommendations for certification of judges be approved.

Mark as the board liason will get back to Virginia about adding Carol Hicks onto the Judge Committee and taking over the Judges Committee Chair. Concern was voiced about other committee members wanting the position as well as the fact that Carol was publishing the Showring.

Performance: Debi Gavin has not heard from Central, Southeast and Buckeye regarding performance obstacles.

Membership, no report

Planning and Policy: no report

Next Meeting to be August 13th

Carol Ann moved, Jeff seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

**Deb Yeagle**, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
August 13, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

August 13, 2002

Directors attending Dick Sheehan President, Mark Smith Vice President, Deb Yeagle Secretary, Jeff Jones Treasurer, Carol Ann Tallmon, Dwayne Flynn, Niki Kuklenski and Cheryl Ryberg, Executive Secretary.

Motion to approve minutes from past meeting approved by Jeff, Seconded by Carol Ann, motion carried.

Treasures report presented by Jeff Jones. Carol Ann moved to accept treasurers report, Deb Seconded, motion carried.

Gayle Woodsum will be sending copies of handbook changes to the Board members so they can be approved and worked on then get back to her. She will then incorporate them into a final draft to be looked at during the meeting at the Grand National.

Plans discussed for Board Meeting at the Grand National.

A registered letter has been sent to Jo Riley. No answer as of yet. If letter is refused, or accepted the ALSA Office will be notified and a record will be kept.

Membership questionnaire, both the original and the revised copies to be mailed to each of the Board members to be discussed and reviewed.

Dick presented a review of the LLAMA Community. He presented issues regarding ALSA. The issue was heat stress in lamas at shows. Dick will be sending the information to Patty Fisher, the Chair of the Show

Committee, to be organized for inclusion in show packets. Dr Anderson said that positive animal identification is currently a state concern in Missouri and will become a National issue soon . The Board agreed that it is important for ALSA to have representatives at the Llama Community to sit down with leaders of other llama organizations.

Fiber Committee Report, addressed rectification of Alpaca judges proposed to extent to a 5 year rectification until there would be enough to qualify having another Advanced Alpaca Judge Clinic due to cost factors to be recommended back to the Judges Committee.

Showmanship Alpaca Clinic is proposed to help Alpaca owners for halter as well as performance. Committee members have volunteered to help with this clinic. This would be an ALSA Show Clinic, for Alpacas. Organized the same way as the Llama Show Clinics complete with information to pass out.

Board agrees that it is important to support financially and as a board to encourage the Alpaca Show Clinic.

Proposal to have an Alpaca "Regional" show for 2003, open to anyone across the United States, no qualifying criteria. Looking to attract 200 - 250 alpacas. Alpacas owners from other states are encouraging this show. Dwayne showed concerns about calling it a regional as it would be confusing.

Carol Ann and Mark showed concern about the lack of qualifying. Jeff suggested calling it " The Buckeye ALSA Championship Show". Board agreed and liked the idea. They said they would support it but would like to have more information. Deb asked for permission to secure a date as a year would be necessary to organize a show of this magnitude. Alot of work has been done by the alpaca committee Mary Reed ,chair.

Request to have handbook changed to permit show cut on alpacas as well as strip cut. Alpaca Committee agrees. This will not subtract alpacas, but add alpacas that are sheared in a show cut.

Motion presented by Carol Ann Seconded by Dick to accept

this proposal into the handbook.

Dick spoke to Connie Kauffman who said she will have the information from the Education Committee sent to the ALSA office by Monday, August 19 or Tuesday the 20th the latest.

The Wickhams Clinic has been cancelled as there was a participation problem. Virginia Christensen indicated in emails to Mark and Cheryl that there were a lot of judges that needed to recertify. There were only 2 judges that had signed up for the Clinic. Dick will get with Virginia to get a list of who needs to recertify and get that list to the Wickhams to see if the clinic can resume.

Dick said he has a goal to revamp the Clinic system.

Deb suggested that Beth Myers be put as Chair of the Education Committee. Dick said he would contact Beth.

Election Committee, No Report.

Fiber Committee. March 8-9 Clinic to be held at the Huttons.

A suggestion made to cross over fiber judges from Llama Fiber to Alpaca fiber and visa versa as the judging of each is exactly the same. A proposal will be drawn up.

From the Grand National Committee, A motion for sponsorship has been requested to sponsor specific things for the Grand National. These sponsors would not be represented in the Courtyard. Motion made by Carol Ann, seconded by Jeff, Motion Carried. Sponsors are already lined up for the 2003 Grand National as well. For this year the Sponsor Courtyard is full, plans are in the works to expand the Courtyard for 2003 GN. Sponsors that have sponsored in previous years will have first choice to sponsor for future GN.

Judge Committee, no recommendations for new judges. A motion was made to go into Executive Session, Made by Jeff, Seconded by Carol Ann. Motion Carried

Motion made to create an additional seat to 8 on the Judges Committee for a period of 6 months. Carol Ann so moved Mark Seconded

Motion made to approve Carol Hicks to the Judge Committee Mark so moved Carol Ann Seconded. Roll Call vote called, Niki Abstained, Jeff voted No, Carol Ann For, Dwayne For, Mark For, Deb For. Motion Passed

Membership Committee Brochure was discussed concerning what needed to be updated and what is the vision for use of this brochure. Carol Ann suggested a more generic form to be handed out to Show Superintendent. Mark suggested a focus in the brochure, of what a great family activity ALSA is. Also suggestion, a photo? These suggestions will be sent back to the Membership Committee.

Performance Committee : Presently working on updating the Obstacle Hand Book and the Performance Video.

Protest Committee: No protests in the works.

Publication Committee : Showring will be late for winter issue to include results from Regional and National.

Show Management Shoe Issue, members need to where shoes with closed toed shoes this rule needs to be more carefully followed.

Office Liaison for day to day operational things to the Board. Jeff made a motion that Dick be liaison to the office, Dwayne seconded.

Dick requested that the Board Members come up with "goals" for the ALSA to be worked on at the Grand National Face to Face Meeting

Next meeting will be September 10th, Carol Ann so Moved, Dwayne Seconded, Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Deb Yeagle, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
September 08, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Directors present President Dick Sheehan, Vice President Mark Smith, Treasurer Jeff Jones, Secretary Deb Yeagle, Directors Dwayne Flynn, Carol Ann Tallmon, Niki Anderson Kuklenski, also present were Executive Secretary Cheryl Ryberg and Gayle Woodsome from the Hand Book Committee.

The Board worked with Gayle Woodsum on the call to organize changes for the Handbook .

Next Board meeting on the 8th of October 2002.

Virginia requested an advanced clinic held at Kay Sharpnacks with Virginia being the teacher and Judie Moser assisting in March. The Board approved, Niki voted to approve and Mark Seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

**Deb Yeagle, ALSA Board Secretary**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
September 10, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Present, President Dick Sheehan, Vice President Mark Smith, Secretary Deb Yeagle, Treasurer Jeff Jones, Directors Dwayne Flinn, Niki Anderson-Kuklenski also present ALSA Executive Secretary Cheryl Ryberg

Motion made to approve last minutes, Mark moved, Jeff seconded motion passed.

Treasurers Report, Dwayne moved to approve, Niki seconded. Motion carried.

\*\*\*\*\* Old Business: Questionnaire to be relooked at and a final questionnaire to be organized and sent to the membership to determine what are the concerns of either a few vocal people, or the majority of the membership.

Board Action Follow Ups: Past BOD actions that require a committee follow-up will be published on the agenda for each meeting .(Notice will be given on agenda regarding follow up actions on committee committees.)

Alpaca Committee has set a date for the ALPA Showmanship Clinic,( the Friday and Saturday before Easter in Port Clinton Ohio ) Mary has been looking at facilities for the Alpaca Championship Show.

Education Committee: Connie promised to have the disc and other printed information required for clinics to the office by Monday.

Fiber Clinic scheduled at Crete Hutton will be on January 18 and 19, 2003.

Motion to approve fiber and alpaca showmanship clinic made by Dwayne, seconded by Jeff, Motion carried.

Grand National Report: Jeff has an answer for Dennis Abreu from the Grand National Committee. Jeff will answer Dennis letter. The Millionaire Game will be used, (encouraged) to stimulate participation at the banquet.

Hand Book Committee: A clean copy of the handbook revisions has been received by all Board members, as changes may need to be made, emails should be sent out to all Board members to be included in Gayles work. A conference call will be made on Tuesday September 24th at 8:00 EDT. Ray Howard has offered to be help with the the Hand Book Committee.

Nominating Committee does not have anything to report.

Performance Committee does not have anything to report.

Protest Committee, protest letters must be sent to both parties involved. Whether or not the protest is upheld.

Dwayne moved to have ALSA numbers (persons) for Regional shows made for \$18 per hundred, Jeff seconded motion passed.

Show Management recommended to remove any part of the handbook that would encourage crias to be shown.

Dwayne moved to accept the Judges Committee Recommendation, Dick Seconded, Motion passed.

Lorraine Guyn recertified

All judges in need of a recert thru a clinic will stay certified until there is a clinic offered in the pring of 2003.

All alpaca judges will keep certification until a clinic is offered in 2004

All alpaca and llama fleece clinics shall include an across the board knowleto cover both animals :alpaca and llana plus suri types in both species. In compliance with ALSA judges certificaion requir, recommend within the third year of certification, the participant attends a fiber judging clinic to reevaluate materials and review the current

information concerning llama fiber  
New Business,

Petition from Shylan Bearden to change regional to be approved by the board. Motion to approve by Jeff seconded by Niki, Motion carried

Petition from Barbara Flynn for Hayley to change regional. Motion made by Niki seconded by Deb, Motion Passed.

Recommendations to the Election and Nominating committee to rework the election process including the hiring of a CPA to handle the ballots. Dick will answer Bon Burgess letter regarding the election process . Committees will also look into permitting total count be given out to nominees if nominees know that this information be known in advance.

A question has been ask if a member can come to a board meeting. As the by-laws have no provision the board recommends that a member petition the board, a minimum of 30 days in advance to address the board on one subject and be able to discuss only that subject with the board. The board is going to send this to the Planning and Policy Committee with a recommendation for admendment.

Cheryl will post on the website that links will be swapped and added onto the ALSA Website from Lama Associations. Commercial Links will not be permitted.

Jeff moved to adjounrn. Dwayne seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Yeagle, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
October 08, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Directors present, Dick Sheehan, Dwayne Flinn, Niki Anderson-Kuklenski, Jeff Jones, Deb Yeagle, Jeff Jones, Mark Smith also present Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Executive Secretary

Approval of the minutes from the last board meeting were deferred until everyone gets a chance to read them.

The treasurer's report will be present at the face to face at the Nationals.

The membership questionnaire will be completed at the nationals and will be mailed to the membership.

Dick proposed formulating criteria for the petitions that come to the board pertaining to changing to the different regional shows. Dwayne will talk to the Regional Committee for some ideas as to how to formulate fair and equitable changes.

Dick will work with the performance committee about the Pack trial revisions to the handbook.

The Alpaca Committee is still looking for a date and a place for the Alpaca Championship Show for the fall of 2003

We are also working on a flier for the showmanship clinic in May.

All of the education committee material is at the office. We are still looking for a chairperson.

Anyone interested in clinics should call the office for both the beginning and advanced judging.

Elections Committee to look into a different way to count ballots and they will come back to the board with ideas.

Ethics Committee is working to get a rotation on and off of committees so there will be opportunities for all our members to participate in our member driven organization. We want to encourage as much participation on committees as possible. The chairs would stay the same. Some committees would need to have a stable base for example the regional committees. All members would have to be approved by the board.

Fiber committee will be working on both fiber clinics and handbook revisions.

Carol Ann moved, Deb seconded a motion to add to the Grand National budget monies to pay for a storage space for the various things that are necessary for the Grand National. Motioned passed. There has been a lot of interest in going to the banquet.

Gayle will have the hand book revisions ready for the Board to review at the face to face meeting at the Grand National. Mark will get input from the judges committee on the scoring of incompletes.

The Judge's Committee recommended ,Dwayne moved, Carol Ann seconded a recommendation that Bon Burgess and Patti Fischer have their level 2 judge limits lifted from judging from 150 animals to 200 animals. Motioned passed.

The Membership Committee recommended a new member , Mark moved, Dwayne seconded the motion to add Bon Burgess to the membership committee. Motioned passed

The nominating committee has been given the task to change the procedure for nominating. They have been asked to make recommendations to the Board prior to the elections.

The performance committee did not have a report.

Planning and Policy, recommendations are ask to come up with a plan to address the fact that members would like to attend board meetings. For example, a member may come to a board meeting to address a certain issue at a face to face meeting with a 30day notice.

RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR Publication of the Showring was tabled until the face to face meeting. The board will need a breakdown of what the actual cost of the publication is and a decision will be made then on the next year's contract.

Regionals are paying to 6 places and the labels needed to be redone. All has been done and sent out to the regional supers.

Show management has nothing new until nationals. The first packet should be ready for the national.

Youth had no report.

Tony Rollins scholarship is up on the web site and has been sent to all ALSA youth that fit the age criteria. The youth has to be a current high school senior. The deadline is the 25th of October.

Request to move the Great Lakes Regional Show to Springfield Illinois. There are 37 farms from Indiana, 19 from Michigan, 2 from Oh.,6 from Mi, 3 from Illinois and 3 out of Minn. 80 Percent came from the Indiana and Michigan area. The criteria for a regional is centrally located. The regional committee needs to look at this request.

Abuse of judges at a show -show management should dismiss the person per page 7 of the rule book Mark will ask the judges committee if this is a concern.

There was concern about safely in a cart class. Mark will take this to the judges committee to address as a safety issue example the petting in PR.

Subset of the youth committee for a youth with disabilities committee was approved .



Jeff proposed, Deb seconded a motion to approve the formulation of a suri or silky class. Committees are being asked to input and for ideas on implementing criteria. Motion carried.

Carol Ann so moved, Deb seconded the motion for Adult Showmanship. The motioned passed with one objection. Adults will be able to collect and receive points like the youth in youth classes. The points will go to the showman.

Because of problems with a couple of shows, how to handle these problems was discussed .The procedure will be that the office will contact the show committee and follow the rules that are in the rulebook regarding problems with shows that do not follow rules.

All requests for office work from committees has to go thru the Board liaison of that committee.

Carol Ann moved, Dwayne seconded to adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

**Deb Yeagle**, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
November 7, 2002**

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ALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Face-To-Face meeting in conjunction with ALSA Grand National. Directors present: President; Dick Sheehan, Vice President; Mark Smith Treasurer; Jeff Jones, Directors; Niki Kuklenski, Carol Ann Tallmon and Dwayne Flynn, Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Executive Secretary.

Dwayne moved, Mark seconded approval of past minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report Niki moved to approve, Carol Ann seconded

Executive Secretary, Cheryl presented a proposal to start up a shop ( with ALSA Logo Items ) on the web site. Cheryl will work up a proposal and get back to the board.

Jeff moved Dwayne seconded membership committee report, motion carried.

Publication Committee: Contract for Showring: Dwayne moved, Carol Ann seconded approval of Renewal of Carol Hicks Contract for Showring, motion approved. Sending One Showring per household and having all checks into Showring Office before going to Print discussed for the 2003 ALSA Season.

Dwayne moved. Carol Ann seconded approval of all of the NEW handbook changes.

Suri Class Advisory Group created to formulate criteria recommendations, definition of class. Llama conformation to be the leading, number one priority as judging criteria. One step at a time will be taken to do it right but also every effort will be made to get the suri classes into the

2003 show season and have "Suri" Classes at the 2003 Regionals and Grand National. Group chair will be Mary Reed, members Paige McGrath, Andy Tillman, Linda Berry Walker, Ken Austin, and Mike Gerkin Motion made by mark, seconded by Jeff Motion passed

Education Committee, Barbara Harris was recommended to chair the Education Committee , Carol Ann Proposed, Dwayne seconded, motion passed.

Grand National Committee Motion made that all level 3 Judges be eligible to judge Grand National made by Jeff, Carol Ann seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Judges Committee, Lougene Baird will now be doing the Judge's Forum.

Nominating Committee, recommendations have to be done before the elections to be voted on in the by-laws.

Performance Committee will be working on videos, both for the judges use and for members use with different taped over narrative.

Planning and Policy, recommendations tabled for board feed back until next meeting.

Show Management, No Report

Youth Report several ideas by committee reports discussed.

New Business; Dick will contact Paige to discuss previously submitted recommendations to help to get the wool divisions more accurate.

Niki will be working with the ILR to help communications regarding having ALSA Awards printed on ILR Certificates.

Old business Jeff moved, Dwayne seconded Donleys proposal to include show evaluations in packet, only change to be made is to have all forms and evaluations received by the ALSA Office.

Jeff moved to adjourn Carol Ann seconded to adjourn,  
motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Yeagle, ALSA Board Secretary

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ALSA Board of  
Directors  
December 10, 2002**

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ALSA Board Meeting Dec 10, 2002

Called to order 8:00 PM

Carol Ann motioned to approve the minutes; Mark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The treasurer's report was tabled until the next meeting with complete data would be available from all the regionals and the national. The Secretary's report request for an addendum to Cheryl's contract for 2003 was tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business:

The board is continuing the process of developing a suri wool class . At this point the suri advisory group has not developed a criteria . This is a deliberate process so for shows wanting suri wool class right now they need to be a non ALSA class until criteria is developed and rule changes approved. Mary Reed has left the Suri Advisory Group and they are looking for new members to fill out the group. When the committee is complete they will advise Dick and he will present it to the board.

The membership questionnaire will go out with the new handbook to save on mailing.

Niki will continue to be board member that deals with the ILR concerning ALSA awards being included on ILR Certificates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS .

The Alpaca Committee had no report

Barb Harris is the Chair of the Education committee. She is working hard with Cheryl to get the paperwork in order

and get clinics for the next season.

The election committee is working revising its process.

Ethics had no report

Fiber

Fiber clinics have been scheduled as follows:

Fiber Clinic -- January 18 & 19, 2003 -- Hutton's Hoosier Llamas & Alpacas, 10 N 400 W. Lebanon, IN 46052. This clinic specifically for those wishing to become informed regarding the judge's criteria for llama fleece. This approach is for the beginner and intermediate fiber person wanting to:

1) have fleece and/or spinner's choice samples adequate for "fairs", "lama-fests", displays 2) on the entrance level of becoming a Llama Fleece 3) understand that alpaca fleece judging will be at another clinic; however, those fleeces will be introduced.

Lebanon is located north of Indianapolis and has adequate motel accommodations. For further information contact Crete Hutton (765) 482-6622 or Susie Smithers, DeGraff, OH (937) 585-5161

Fiber Clinic -- February 15, 16, 2003 -- Fletcher , NC, outside of Asheville -- Holiday Inn, located less than 1 mile from airport and offers shuttle service. Contacts: Elke (Amenda) Spirakis, Wellspring Farm, RR4, Box 470, Burnsville, NC 28714 (828) 682-0458 or Susie Smithers (937) 585-5161

Fiber Clinic -- March 1 & 2, 2003 Doran's Llama Lane, 8378 Bevelheimer Road, Westerville, OH 43081 near Columbus and located near the Contacts: Judy Doran, Doran's Llama Lane (614) 855-1329 or Susie Smithers (937) 585-5161

Motion to accept the clinics as presented by Carol Ann and

seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

The Finance and Budget committee was deleted as it no longer has a function. The treasurer now does these activities.

The Grand National committee is negotiating with the new management of the facility. Judges for 2003 will be -- Halter, Lavona Fercho , Mary Beth Hartsough, Tammy Lash ,Performance Cathie Kindler. The second performance judge has not been filled as of yet. Carol Ann made the motion and Jeff seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Judges' Committee report was tabled until the next meeting. There was a motion by Jeff to limit the number of consecutive years to three that a judge can serve on the judges committee . There would be 3 new members appointed for 2003, 2 for 2004, and 2 for 2005 thus starting the rotation. The first to come off would be the senior members in order of longevity. Deb seconded. Motion passed.

Membership committee is working on changes to the brochure.

Nominating committee is working on changes to the process.

Performance committee is working on recessions to the book,video and adding a cart driving video.

Planning & Policy Committee no report.

Protest had no report.

Publication There will be a breakdown for the next meeting as to how many Showrings are published and where they go and at what cost?

Regionals financial report was tabled until the next meeting. Each region would like a half page to advertise in the showing. Carol Ann moved to and Niki seconded, motioned passed. Regional show packets need to be customized for the regional. Discussion on a computer

program to make uniformity in reporting to the office. A premier Youth, Ranch, and Volunteer award was discussed to encourage more participation. Items affecting the Nationals will go to the national committee.

The show management committee will complete changing the packet to upgrade it for the upcoming year.

Youth had a committee meeting at the national with allot of positive impute. Line change to revised page 61 part 14 renamed Junior Llama Show Youth Program so it can be recognized as a 4 H event in their county. Jeff made the motion to accept Roy Box's request for a wording change in the youth , Niki seconded it. Motion passed. Mark moved to have all first place winners their showmanship class in an ALSA Show be qualified for nationals. Deb seconded. Youth committee would like a sub committee for impute allowing them to participate more in decisions. Motions by Nike and second by Jeff . Motion passed. Based on recommendations from the youth participants themselves Youth will be excused after three refusal in performance for nationals.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Grand Nationals

All recommendations from members will go to the national committee. There was discussion over confusion with the judging system used at the Nationals. Jeff will get the actual way the judging system works for the next meeting. Performance concerns were sent to the national committee.

Revision of the point chart with more points for larger classes. 8- 15, 16-23. 24-32, 33-41, over 42 & over. Jeff made the motion to jump in increments of 8 in the point system for performance. Carol Ann seconded. Motion passed

Premiums paid at the nationals if over so much money got a coupon because there was a need for a social security number.



Jeff made a motion to go into executive session ,Carol Ann seconded . Motioned passed.

Mark moved to come out of executive session , Jeff seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Youth in performance classes. Youth using the same animal in youth and no-youth performance classes was discussed. A proposal was made to change the existing rules on page 35, Part 11 Performance, Section 3. A. 3, to read MUST instead of should "be scheduled after non-youth". Jeff made the motion , Carol Ann seconded . Motion passed.

Kay Sharpnack petition about going to one date for all animals was turned down.

Her other petition regarding Produce of Dam classes at the Grand National was discussed. Mark moved and Carol Ann seconded it. Motion passed.

ALSA Show evaluation sheet is in the office to go out with show packet. In the next issue of showring have an article on getting peoples to fill out the evaluation sheets so the BOARD will know how the show management and judges are doing. .

The board discussed an all male or female show.s. This is not the directions we want to go at this time and it was suggested that this type of show be a non ALSA show just for fun with llamas.

We need to look at a time for the face to face.

Next meeting January 7 Th.

Motioned to adjourn was made by Jeff. Seconded by Carol Ann. The motioned passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Yeagle, ALSA Board Secretary