

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
January 11, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:07 pm EST by President, Ken Forster

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Cathie Kindler
Treasurer	Tom Parsons
Secretary	Keith Wattigney

Board Members:

Allen Davis
Trish Brandt-Robuck

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg

Absent:

Stacie Forshee

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. The following was submitted in December 2010.

Handbook Changes per the ALSA Llama Fleece Committee, December 2010

Page 21 – 8.

- Eliminate "...of Alpaca..."
- Delete: "a. – f."
- Add:
 - Divide by type(Suri, Single Coat & Double Coat)
 - Divide by age at shearing
 - NOTE: This mirrors item 10 of this section for Alpacas and allows for consistency.

Page 25 – Section 3.

- Eliminate "O. & P." These are not currently offered at the ALSA Regional Championships.

Page 39 – Section 3. A. 1. b.

Eliminate....

Age Divisions: ALSA Fiber Shows with llama fiber classes must have at least these two Age Divisions. These two age divisions may not be combined.

(1) Juvenile through Yearling – Under 24 months

(2) Two Year-Old through Mature Adult – 24 months and Older.

If the numbers of entries warrant (at least 4 entries per class), Age Divisions may be further divided

up to the following:

- Juvenile – 5 to 12 months
- Yearling – 12 – 24 months
- Two Year-Old – 24 to 36 months
- Adult – 36 months to 60 months
- Mature Adult – 60 months and older

Change to...

Age Divisions: ALSA Fleece Shows with llama fleece classes must have at least these five Age Divisions.

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- Yearling – 12 to 24 months
- Two Year-Old – 24 to 36 months
- Adult – 36 months to 60 months
- Mature Adult – 60 months and older

At the discretion of the Show Superintendent and if there are fewer than four entries per class, age divisions may be combined. The minimum number of classes for ALSA Fleece Shows is two per Coat Division. Those two classes are:

- (1) Juvenile through Yearling – Under 24 months
- (2) Two Year-Old through Mature Adult – 24 months and older.

Page 39 – Section 3.A.2.a.

Eliminate: 2. Walking Fiber

a. Coat Divisions. These may not be combined.

- (1) Double Coat
- (2) Single Coat
- (3) Suri Coat

Change to ... a. Coat Divisions are the same as for Shorn Llama Fleece Classes.

Page 40 – Section 3.A.2.b.

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Change to... b. Age Divisions are the same as for Shorn Llama Fleece Classes.

Page 98 – Part O., Section 1., A., 2. (Change to match aforementioned Page 39 – Section 3. A. 1. b.)

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Cathie motioned to approve the report as written to be effective on January 1, 2011.
Allen seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

1. 1. Grand Nationals

a) Page 31, Part F, Section 7-E

E. The Grand National shall contract to pay each Judge \$350 per day plus expenses. Only Senior Judges may be hired to judge at the Grand National.

Change to

E. The Grand National shall contract to pay each Judge \$350 per day plus expenses. Only judges meeting the criteria under Part S, Section 2-B-8 and from the list furnished by Judges Committee per Part F, Section 7-A may be hired to judge at the Grand National.

2. Regional

Page 26, Part D, Section 6-D

D. Each Regional with 150 or more entered in performance and youth judging may hire a second judge and shall contract to pay all Judges \$300 per day plus expenses. Only Senior Judges are to be hired. Each Regional at the request of the Lead Judge should also contract for an additional judge, paid equally for the job. The additional judge must also be a Senior Judge.

Change to

D. Each Regional with 150 or more entered in performance and youth judging may hire a second judge and shall contract to pay all Judges \$300 per day plus expenses. Each Regional at the request of the Lead Judge should also contract for an additional judge (with BOD approval) paid equally for the job. All Regional judges must meet the criteria under Part S, Section 2-B-8 and be from the list furnished by Judges Committee

per Part D, Section 6-A.

The letter regarding regional shows will be sent to the Regional committee.

Tom motioned to accept Item #1 and Item #2 of new business to be effective on January 1, 2011. Cathie seconded. Motion Carried.

3. The letter received on January 10, 2011 concerning show sanctioning will be addressed by Tom.

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2010

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 22,976
Investment Account	52,416
Cash – Memorials	<u>6,102</u>

Total Current Assets \$ 81,494

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Equity \$ 81,494

Tom provided a detailed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for December 31, 2010. Above is a summary of the Balance Sheet. Keith motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report. Cathie seconded. Motion carried.

Tom also proposed the 2011 budget as the income and expenses as it now stands. The BOD has come up with several responses to increasing the income for 2011 and cutting the expenses for 2011.

- A. To increase the 2012 membership dues \$5, require that the animals entering the Halter classes at the Grand National have an ALSA number or increase the recording fee. After much discussion, it was decided that the individual BOD members would like more time to investigate the different ideas and to have an email vote on any proposal.
- B. There will be no folio at the Grand National Host Hotel effective for the 2011 Grand National. Reimbursement to the BOD will be made upon receipt of an expense report.
- C. As a result of the continued annual losses at Regional shows, Keith motioned to keep the ALSA Regional shows, but ALSA will not provide any premium money effective for the 2011 Regional shows and subsequent shows. ALSA will continue to provide the ribbons for the Regional shows. Cathie seconded. Motion carried.

- D. Cathie motioned that ALSA not sponsor any Board member to attend any seminars in 2011. Tom seconded. Motion carried.
- E. Due to the difficulty in delivering the Showring in a timely manner, Keith motioned to discontinue the Showring in printed form as of January 1, 2011. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Membership renewals and judge fees are coming in to the office. Over 300 ALSA Award Certificates were mailed at the end of December. The ALSA Facebook page continues to be used and “Liked”.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
No Report
- 2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird
No Report
- 3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Barb Parsons
No Report
- 4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman
Tom motioned to accept Cathie as the liaison to replace Bob. Cathie seconded. Motion carried. Cathie will serve as the liaison for the next 4 ½ months.
- 5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:
This was covered by Tom under Treasurer’s report.
- 6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman
No Report
- 7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Wally Baker
Allen motioned to accept Trish as the liaison to replace Bob. Keith seconded. Motion carried.

Letter received 01-10-11 requesting clarification.

Section 2. Multiple Judged System

- A. This system employs two or more judges to judge simultaneously in order for two sets or more placings to be awarded. The show must pay two or more sanctioning, animal and non-member fees, award two or more sets of ribbons and/or awards. **ALSA encourages judges and show superintendents to formulate a means to provide oral reasons at these multiple sanctioned shows. Different formats may include alternating judges to present oral reasons, therefore only one set of oral reasons will be presented on each class. However, the final format to be used will be determined between the judges presiding and the show superintendent.**
- B. For all multiple judged shows with animal numbers of 125 and under, Level Judges may be hired for the halter classes. Senior Judges must be used for all shows over 125 animals. Show Management may hire both a Level Judge and Senior Judge whenever possible for multiple shows under 125 animals. Assistant Performance Judges of any level may be employed to work in the ring with a head judge.

B is to be reworded as follows:

For all multiple judged shows one judge must have 5 or more years experience.

Assistant Performance Judges may be employed to work in the ring with a head judge.

Cathie motioned to accept A. as written and B. as reworded above effective January 1, 2011. Trish seconded. Motion carried.

- C. Multiple judged shows greater than a double judged show require prior approval from the Board of Directors.

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Doug Overman

Please add this to our report.

We think this a statement that needs to be made or Rule.

The paragraph could go at the beginning of part S, Judge and Apprentice Program, Section 4. Standing Rules for Judges, Apprentices and Performance Assistants, before A. Judges Rules, to set the tone for the expectation of the conduct of behavior for a Judge.

An ALSA judge is expected to set the example of professionalism, honesty, and integrity at all times. The expectation of professionalism does not end when a judge leaves the show ring. As a certified judge, one is always held to a higher standard of conduct. Words are never discounted, behavior never goes unnoticed. In public, whether an exhibitor, spectator, vendor, show official, or judge, it is expected that an individual certified as an ALSA judge will never make disparaging comments regarding exhibitors, animals being exhibited or their placings, other judges, show management, show rules, or ALSA. In addition ALSA certified Judges shall evaluate animals using only rules published in the current ALSA Handbook and shall not promote other show

organizations. When accepting the honor of certification as an ALSA judge, one takes on the responsibility to conduct themselves at all times in a manner befitting a judge, a title that implies dignity and importance.

The above paragraph was approved by the Board and is to be effective January 1, 2011.

Judges Committee Report.

1. We have talked with Judy Moser and she has agreed to be the Instructor for the Spring Clinic at Unzickers.

2. The Judges Committee recommends to recertify **Deb Yeagle** for

Llama Fleece

Llama Halter

Alpaca Fleece

Alpaca Halter

She has completed all the requirements through cec to recertify.

3. The Committee is working on the judges list for the National and will submit a list for the February meeting. We can't verify our list without any judges files or records.

4. The Judges committee would like to request again that we can have the judges files and records.

Thank You for your time.

Judges Committee

Doug Overman

Deb Yeagle

Barb Harris

Mary Reed

Cindy Ruckman

Cathie motioned to accept the Judge's committee report and for it to be effective January 1, 2011. Trish seconded. Motion carried.

*Note to the above, Cathie will have the files to Doug by February 1, 2011. She is just waiting for transportation to begin around the Atlanta area. FedEx is not operating at this time with the road conditions.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
No report

10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report

11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Ulin Andrews
No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Leigh Snyder
No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla

Regional Committee Report

I have been working with Tom Parsons on reconciling regional income and expense numbers and we are in close agreement on the information currently available, which is summarized on the attached spreadsheet. Final numbers for the Northwestern and Southeastern Regions have not yet been submitted, as those superintendents were held up waiting for a couple of checks. Depending on exactly how well those two shows did, it can be estimated that the total loss for all regions will probably be between \$5,500 and \$7,000. For comparison's sake, last year's recap showed a loss of \$3,639. Total income was down about \$8,000 from last year. Facility, insurance and ribbon expenses were lower than last year, but judges' fees and travel expenses increased because more judges were hired. Other expenses did not change significantly.

The regional superintendents for the 2010 Buckeye and Great Lakes Regional Championships have both resigned and no suggestions have been made for possible successors to take their places. We looked hard at combining those two regions in 2010 and exhibitors in both regions expressed reluctance to travel further. However, if we can't find volunteers to serve as superintendents in those regions, the best solution may be to try to find someone to serve as superintendent of a combined regional championship. I suggest that an e-mail be sent to all ALSA members in the Buckeye and Great Lakes regions explaining the situation and asking for volunteers with a deadline of January 15 for responding.

My last report stated that all of the regional superintendents felt entry fees were too high. Since then I have received comments that instead of lowering the price, we should concentrate on making the championship shows more worthwhile to the exhibitors. It has also been suggested that we should be more flexible in the dates for Regional Championships because different regions have different show schedules and weather conditions. There has also been some limited discussion about using a sliding scale for premiums so that the amount of prize money for a class depends on the number of entries.

To help the Regional Committee start planning for the 2011 Championship shows it would be most helpful if the Board could let us know now if the Qualifying Criteria stated in Part 3, Section 2(D) will be enforced this year. It does not seem that dropping those requirements for the past two years had the desired effect and many believe that reinstating them could increase interest in the Regional Championships. Prompt guidance on this question will be much appreciated.

Cheryl Juntilla
2010 Regional Committee Chair

Trish motioned to accept the report with the exception of Section 2(D). Section 2(D) will now read that there is no prequalification required to participate in a Regional Championship show, effective January 1, 2011. Tom seconded. Motion carried.

The BOD once again would like to congratulate Cheryl on a job well done.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
None

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Steve Katzakian

Still working on the changes and updates.

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Penny Davidson

The youth committee has set a few goals for the year and is ready to get busy. We seem to have been dodging holidays and I haven't heard from all of my new members yet. These are some of the issues we will be exploring and working on.

1. Youth members sitting on the committee alongside us. How they would be chosen and the capacity that they would have in that position?
2. We also plan to try and devise more fund-raising ideas for the scholarship to keep it solvent.
3. Working to implement more opportunities for youth shows in regional areas to help grow this area of ALSA.
4. After the recent deceptions that took place with the Youth Scholarship we need to revise and set in stone a set of rules to ensure the money is given to the proper candidates and that family member are excluded, as has always been the rule in the past. We also need to make sure that the same process

is being used every time decide how to calculate votes. The integrity of this scholarship and process needs to be at the highest level.

Thank you

We will eagerly work on these items in 2011.

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS

Motion by Trish: 01-06-2011

I move that we reluctantly accept Bob's resignation from the ALSA BOD. Seconded by Tom.

Cathie-Yes Trish -Yes Tom-Yes Allen-Yes Keith-Yes Stacie-absent

Motion Carried

Per ALSA Bylaws ARTICLE III, Section 4-A Bob's position will not be filled because there is less than 6 months remaining in his term.

Thank you Bob for your time and service as an ALSA Board of Director

There being nothing further to discuss, Trish motioned to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 11:04 PM EST.

Subsequent email motions and/or actions

A.

Motion by Trish: Due to previous rule changes move to correct the following rule wordings effective 01-01-2011.

Seconded by Cathie. Motion Carried.

Part C, Section 2. Llama and Alpacas Page 12

A. All llamas 5 months and older entered in approved classes must be registered or have passed screening in the Llama Division of the International Lama Registry (ILR) or the Canadian Livestock Record Corporation (CLRC). With the exception of animals in Youth Classes, Novice, Advanced, **Master** or Open Performance classes and Non-Breeders class with vet certificate. If Non-Breeders are not registered and wish to be in the ALSA award system and wish to show in halter, they must show in the adult Non-Breeder halter class.

B. All alpacas entered in a show must be registered by the Alpaca Registry, Inc. (ARI) or by the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC) or the International Lama Registry (ILR). Pending registrations (Applications for Registration) for alpacas are accepted on a year to year basis pending ALSA board approval. However, animals in Youth Classes, Novice, Advanced, **Master** or Open Performance classes and Non-Breeders class with vet certificate are not required to be registered. If Non-Breeders are not registered and wish to be in the ALSA award system and show in halter, they must show in the adult Non-Breeder halter class.

Part D, Section 1-B page 17

7. Size of Shows and Required Number of Judges

a. Newly sanctioned shows (i.e. shows that have not been offered before) must hire Judges with 5 years or more experience.

8. Delete item 8 and renumber.

Part D, Section 1-D page 18

D. Judges' Fees

1. Llama Shows

a. Leave as is

b. Halter/Performance Judges should be paid the following minimum fees per day:

Judge with less than 5 years experience - \$250

Judge with 5 years or more experience - \$300

c. Fiber Judges should be paid the following minimum fees per day:

Judge with less than 5 years experience - \$250

Judge with 5 years or more experience - \$300

B.

Cathie motioned that the handbook be revised as follows: Effective January 1, 2011, all entries at The Grand National Show in halter classes are required to have an ALSA recording number. ALSA Regional shows may not be held in conjunction with a show sponsored by a competing show organization, as determined by the ALSA Board of Directors. Tom seconded. Motion Carried.

A promotion has been approved, offering a "Buy 3 and get a 4th Free" ALSA number to run from February 1st to March 15th, similar to that held in 2010.

Following is a Summary of the changes made to the Regional Championships and the National Championship.

Part E. Regional Championships

Section 1. Purpose

A. The ALSA Regional Championships are designed to showcase outstanding Llamas and Alpacas from ALSA sanctioned shows within the region.

B. ALSA Regional Shows may not be held in conjunction with a show sponsored by a competing show organization, as determined by the ALSA Board of Directors.

Section 2. Qualifying

A. All exhibitors at ALSA Regional Championships must be ALSA members.

B. No Pre Qualification required.

C. Youth and Adult members may participate in Regional Show of choice.

In addition, there is no limit on number of Regional Championships a person may attend.

D. Llama, Alpaca and Youth Entry Criteria

1. Each Llama must be entered in its appropriate age and wool division at the time of the Regional Championship.

2. The show Judge(s) and/or an approved assistant may review wool division Entries before they enter the ring.

3. Registration papers or photocopies must be sent with your entry form.

4. Non-Breeders are allowed to be shown in Get of Sire and Produce of Dam.

5. Llama or Alpaca entered in Performance Division must be entered in the respective Divisions; Master, Advanced or Novice Division at the Regional Championship.

8. Youth division age is determined by the youth's age on January 1, or on the date a youth becomes 8 years of age, of the year of the Regional Championship.

9. In Showmanship the Youth may use any animal to compete at the Regional Championship show. In this class the Youth, not the animal is judged and points go to the Youth.

E. Llama, Alpaca and Youth Entry Criteria

1. Each Llama must be entered in its appropriate age and wool division at the time of the Regional Championship.

2. Leave as is

3. Leave as is

4. Delete

5. Delete

6. Leave as is

7. Each Llama or Alpaca must be entered in the respective Performance Division (Master, Advanced, Novice or Open) at the Regional Championship.

8. Leave as is

9. Leave as is

10. Delete

F. Delete

Section 3. Approved Llama and Alpaca Classes

A. The following classes must be offered at an ALSA Regional Championship.

1. All four halter wool division classes

2. All Non-Breeder Halter classes

3. Get of Sire and Produce of Dam classes

4. Adult Showmanship

5. All approved Performance Division classes; Master, Advanced and Novice must be offered and must be held.

6. Youth Showmanship with three ALSA age divisions

7. Youth Obstacle with three ALSA age divisions

8. Youth Public Relations with three ALSA divisions

9. Youth Pack with three ALSA age divisions

10. Youth Judging Contest with three age divisions

11. Open Pleasure Driving

12. Obstacle Driving

13. Advanced Alpaca Obstacle, Pack and Public Relations

14. Youth Alpaca Obstacle, Pack and Public Relations

B. The following classes are optional at an ALSA Regional Championship.

1. Shorn Llama Fiber

2. Walking Llama Fiber

3. Other classes deemed appropriate for that Regional Show, I.E. Classic and/or Mini.

Section 4. Location

Leave as is

Section 5. Show Management

Leave as is

Section 6. Judges

A. Leave as is

B. Leave as is

C. Leave as is

D. Each Regional with 150 or more entered in performance and youth judging may hire a second judge and shall contract to pay all Judges \$300 per day plus expenses. Each Regional at the request of the Lead Judge should also contract for an additional judge (with BOD approval) paid equally for the job. All Regional judges must meet the criteria under Part S, Section 2-B-8 and be from the list furnished by Judges Committee per Part D, Section 6-A.

Section 7. Acceptance of Adjustment

Leave as is

Section 8. Points and Awards-Regional Show

A. Leave as is except correct spelling of points.

B. Leave as is

C. Leave as is

Nationals

Part F, Section 2. Qualifying

A. Requirements

1. All exhibitors at the ALSA Grand National must be ALSA members.

2. All Entries in ALSA Grand National Halter classes must have an ALSA Recording Number.

Minutes Submitted by;
Secretary Keith Wattigney

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
February 15, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:19 p.m. EST.
by President, Ken Forster

ROLL CALL:

Members present:

President Ken Forster
V. President Cathie Kindler
Treasurer Tom Parsons
Board Members
 Allen Davis
 Staci Forshee
 Trish Brandt-Robuck

Office Manager-Cheryl Ryberg

Next Board Meetings: Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. EST.

PROCEEDINGS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Member asking about doing ALSA Logo on clothing. ALSA would get a percentage.

BOD: Like idea but need more details.

2. Member asking about Performance advancement to next level.

a. After 6 Grand Champion placements for Advanced MUST move into Masters. (4 required but 6 is optional due to Elite Champion rules)

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2011

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash: \$ 34,778

Cash-Investment Account: 52,523

Cash-Memorials 2,831

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 90,132

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 90,132

a. Tom provided monthly profit and loss statement and a financial forecast.

OFFICE REPORT:

I have been working with Sharon Carrier regarding the ShoWorks Software for Grand National. She assures me that she will have a report ready for the March meeting. We are hopeful to have a trial entry accomplished before summer.

The first 2 shows have been received and recorded and sent to the website. The database will have to be turned over to 2011 before they can be seen, but this work is under way.

Cheryl Ryberg
ALSA Office

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Stacie)

All members of the Alpaca Committee confirmed with the Chairman of the committee that their ALSA membership dues would be paid by the end of January.

them in their show reporting.

The second request was for ALSA sanctioned alpaca shows to be listed on the ALSA website. Cheryl confirmed that she lists shows on the ALSA website when she receives its sanctioning application. The committee will remind show managers to send in their sanctioning applications so that they can be listed.

Motion by Cathie: Approve Alpaca report and approval of Openherd.com to have ALSA Alpaca show results.

2nd by Tom:
Carried

2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Lougene Baird

The 2011 General Election is in its second month of the petitioning process. As of this date, the committee has not received any Petition to Nominate Forms from the membership. In reviewing the ALSA website, we believe that it is difficult to find the Petition Form. Notice in the upper left hand quadrant of the Home Page, in red print the word NEW. Under the word NEW in black print is 2010 Election Results. A person has to be curious about last years election results to find this year. Petition to Nominate Form! We would like to suggest a simple change to the Home Page. Now that the 2010 Election Results are no longer NEW, rename this to 2011 Petition to Nominate Form and make a direct link to the Form!

The Committee is requesting the name of the Nomination Committee Board Liaison, Chair and each Region's representative/member so this committee is familiar with whom we will be working. The Election Committee would like to work with the Nomination Committee early in the petitioning process. Possible candidates need time to ponder if each has the time, energy and commitment to serve on the ALSA Board. An early start in the process perhaps might assure this.

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair:

No Report

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

BOD: Returned report to fiber committee, need consistency in criteria for Halter, Fiber and Performance recertification, and CEC requirements.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)

Chair:

See Treasurer's Report above.

Motion by Trish; to approve the 2011 Budget.

2nd by Allen

Carried Unanimously

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Tom)

Chair: Malcolm and Carolann Tallman

The Grand National will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska in 2011.

1. The Theme for 2011 ALSA Grand Nationals is Mardi Gras.
2. Discussing the scoring program for halter
3. Trophies are being discussed
4. The show dates are 10/28 thru 10/30/11
5. Judges will be announced shortly

Carol Ann Tallmon

Malcolm Tallmon

Motion by Cathie: \$195 for an instructional video on using Showworks, a showprogram we are reviewing that will be used for Grand Nationals.

2nd by Allen
Carried

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Wally Baker

Attached is updated 16th Edition ALSA Handbook. All changes have gone into effect January 1, 2011. Also attached is a reference guide as to location of handbook edits. Upon your approval, handbook can be posted on ALSA website for membership. I have also provided an estimate for printed handbook if Board is interested.

Motion by Trish: Accept new 16th edition of the Handbook, post it to the web.
2nd by Allen:
Carried Unanimously

BOD: need shipping and handling costs.

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Cathie)

Chair: Doug Overman

The list of Judges for the National Show both Halter and Performance received and forwarded to the Grand National Committee.

Motion by Tom: to Approve the list of judges for Grand Nationals
2nd by Cathie
Carried

The Judges committee recommends to the BOD for approval to recertify the following judges by CEC points.

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|------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Allen Davis | Llama Halter and Performance |
| 2. Wally Baker | Llama Halter and Performance |
| 3. Hank Kaufman | Llama Halter and Performance |
| 4. Margret Henry | Llama Halter and Performance |

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| 5. Beth Myers | Llama Halter and Performance |
| 6. Ken Forster | Lama Halter and Performance |
| 7. Maryan Baker | Lama Halter and Performance |
| 8. Mike Swanson | Lama Halter and Performance |

Motion by Cathie: Approve Judges who certified by CEC requirements.
 2nd by Tom:
 Carried

The Judges Committee seeks BOD approval on these rules for Reinstatement of Judges .
 Part S, Section 3

C. Judges who have relinquished their ALSA judging certification may apply for reinstatement as follows:

1. If application is received by the Judges Committee within three years of the date Judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC:

- a. Judge must make written application to Judges committee for reinstatement.
- b. Judge must be an ALSA member in good standing.
- c. Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, protests.
- d. All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.
- e. Judge must complete all missed annual reports and judges tests.
- f. Judge must pay all missed annual judges dues to ALSA.
- g. Judges committee will recommend reinstatement of Judge to the ALSA BOD.
- h. Judge, reinstated, will forfeit prior years earned seniority with regard to judging ALSA National and Regional Shows and taking apprentices.
- i. Judge will be required to attend advanced clinic or recertify by CEC on date as previously required prior to relinquishment of judging certification.

2. application is received by the Judges Committee more than three years of the date judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC and less than 5 years from last certification/recertification:

- a. Judge candidate must make written application to Judges committee to re-enter Judges program.
- b. Judge candidate must be an ALSA member in good standing.
- c. Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, protests.
- d. All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.
- e. Judge candidate must pay annual judges dues to ALSA.

f. Judge candidate will be approved to attend an advanced judging clinic in areas of prior certification.

g. Upon achievement of 85% score at clinic(s), Judges committee will recommend certification of Judge Candidate to ALSA BOD.

h. Judge, reinstated, will forfeit prior years earned seniority with regard to judging ALSA National and Regional Shows and taking apprentices.

3. If application is received by the Judges Committee more than three years of the date judge was last certified by clinic attendance or CEC and more than 5 years from last certification/recertification:

- a. Judge candidate must make written application to Judges committee to re-enter program as apprentice.

- b. Judge candidate must be an ALSA member in good standing.
- c. Judges Committee will review Judge file to confirm that there are no outstanding issues, complaints, or protests.
- d. All outstanding issues must be fully resolved.
- e. Judge candidate must pay annual apprentice/judges dues to ALSA
- f. Judge candidate will be approved to enter the judges program as an apprentice, subject to judges training requirements for apprentices then in effect.
- g. Prior years earned seniority will be forfeited.

Motion by Cathie: Approve the new Handbook rule for reinstatement of Judges Rules, effective immediately February 15, 2011.

2nd by Allen
Carried

The Judges Committee requests ALSA BOD approval to hold a one day Owner/Breeder clinic on Saturday, March 26, at Glenn Unzicker's farm, in connection with an a beginning/advanced llama halter Judging clinic. We request special pricing of \$75.00 per person with a minimum of 20, for the Owner/Breeder clinic. The Unzicker's are very excited about holding the judging clinic and breeder clinic at their farm. They intend to provide, at no cost to ALSA, all facility and food for both the judging and owner/breeder clinics. The Unzickers have a large 4-H group 40 members and are very well known in the llama industry. They believe that 20-50 owner/breeders will attend the clinic, and have requested special pricing. the Glenn Unzicker intends to contact his network of breeders to encourage them to attend this event. In addition, we request that the ALSA office send an e-mail to the membership to inform them of this opportunity. If they need help formulating it please let the committee know. We are grateful to the Unzickers for their generosity.

Motion by Tom: To approve Owner/Breeder clinic at Unzicker's farm .
2nd by Cathie:
Carried

Thank you for your consideration and time with these matters
Judges Committee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Mary Reed
Barb Harris
Cindy Ruckman

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Looking for Chair
No Report

10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Carolyn Meyers
No Report

11. Performance Committee (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Melanie McMurrey

No Report

12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Barb Harris

I would like to inform you that the Policy and Planning committee is of an unanimous vote that the ALSA Elite Champion not be changed in any way. It has been an established award for many years with clear requirements. At this time there are several small breeders who have obtained this award with one of their llamas.

There are other options available for owners in which to produce offspring for a male they wish to evaluate without all of the offspring coming from their ranch. One such option is to offer outside breedings for a reduce amount with the understanding that the subsequent offspring will be available for showing in halter and get of sire.

At this time we are discussing the possibility of creating other awards that will reflect accomplishments of llamas .

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair:

No Report

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Ulin Andrew

15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Leigh Snyder

The BOD regrets receiving the resignation of the Publications Chair Leigh Snyder. She spent countless hours trying to publish a hard copy of the ALSA Showing publication and keep the cost down. Thank you Leigh for all your hard work.

The software purchased will be sent to Ken.

16. Regionals Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

The BOD received a very detailed summary of 2010 financials for Regionals. The many varied costs and having shows combined with other shows vs. single shows were included.

Cost reduction suggestions, and ideas were incorporated with the report.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Bill Schultz

No Report

18. Web site Committee: (liaison: Trish)

Chair: Steve Katzakian

No Report

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)

Chair: Penny Davidson

No Report

MEMBER'S LETTERS TO THE BOD:

Member's letters and/or email were reviewed by the BOD. These were discussed and sent to committee when required.

1. Letter re: Regional suggestions
2. Letter re: Request for member information for area shows.
3. Letter re: Member letter regarding youth and ILR

Motion to adjourn by Cathie

Seconded by Trish

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:50 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Trish Brandt-Robuck
Acting Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED:

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

BOD policy: email motions need a second to be attached to the minutes.

Jan 24, 2011

Motion by Tom to accept Youth Regional Rules as written below effective 01-01-2011.

Seconded by Trish. Motion Carried.

Change to:

Section 15. Qualifying for Regional Championships

The Youth qualifying criteria for ALSA Regional Championships shall be as follows:

A. No Pre-Qualification required.

B. All Youth exhibiting in a Regional Championship must be Youth members of ALSA.

C. Youth members may participate in Regional Show of choice.

In addition, there is no limit on number of Regional Championships a person may attend.

D. All other qualifying rules shall be in accordance with applicable rules in Part E of the Handbook.

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
March 8, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:08 pm EST by President, Ken Forster

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Cathie Kindler
Treasurer	Tom Parsons
Secretary	Keith Wattigney (joined the meeting 8:27pm)
Board Members:	

Allen Davis
Trish Brandt-Robuck

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg

Absent:

Stacie Forshee

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. Approval of February minutes.
Trish made the motion to approve Feb minutes. Allen seconded. Motion carried.
2. Printing of new handbooks for judges and new members.
BOD will need more information concerning quotes from other printers and shipping cost.
3. Youth scholarship requirements, scholarship procedure and Scholarship chair.
Tom: Motioned to the creation of a Youth Scholarship Sub committee independent of the Youth Committee to review and evaluate the scholarship applications. Chair and sub committee members to be approved by the BOD.
Trish seconded. Motion carried.
Cathie: Motioned to approve Sue Davis as Youth Scholarship committee chair. Tom seconded. Motion carried.
4. LANA Versatility money.
This has been taken care of.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2011

Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 39,276
Investment Account	52,523
Cash – Memorials	<u>2,831</u>
Total Current Assets	\$ 94,360
Total Assets	<u>\$ 94,360</u>
Equity	<u>\$ 94,360</u>

Tom provided a detailed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for February 28, 2011.
Above is a summary of the Balance Sheet.

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

1. Request by Show Management Committee for a show packet.
Cheryl to send Show Packet to Show Management Committee.
2. How often and when do award certificates get mailed out? ROMs, Halter Champions, etc.
Cheryl stated at no specific time. Spring, Fall and End of Year.
3. Posting of 2011 show results:
Grant working on this at this time. They will be posted shortly.

Office Report:

We have 2 new shows since last month a youth show in the midwest and a added show in CAL to make it a triple show.

The last show for 2010 was received and entered last week which enables us to tie up 2010 in the database and permit the 2011 shows to show up on the

website in show form. This is on the same time frame as it has been for 10 years. Members have been able to access their 2011 points and awards for animals and youth under their individual data bases as shows were entered. All 2011 Shows on Excel sheet marked posted were posted to the data base to be uploaded to the website.

Alan is due here today and 2011 shows should be posted shortly as well as Youth Top Ten and final 2010 Certificates of Awards will be issued before the end of this week, awards are issued 2-3 times a year after significant shows are received for tally.

Request a survey by the Show Management Committee of about 10 ribbon companies for Regional/National Ribbon expenses.

We can begin to negotiate less expensive prices of ribbons for ALSA and to pass the saving on to our Sanctioned Shows. This could be a significant savings for our superintendents as well as to the ALSA.

I have been discussing the National Show Program with Sharon and it will be available for selected member online testing before the end of the month.

Cheryl

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
No Report
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird

Election Committee Report – March 1, 2011

The Day of Record for the 2011 General Election is Thursday, April 22, 2011. To receive a ballot, dues must be received by the ALSA office by the close of business on the Day of Record. This gives the ALSA office ample time to record dues, establish the list of current members, produce and deliver labels to the printer/mail agent for mailing. Ballots will be mailed to all members in good standing during the second week in May as described in the ALSA Standing Rules. In addition to dues being paid, a member in good standing is defined as not having been suspended for infraction of ALSA rules or received permanent suspension by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors.

The committee has entered into a working agreement with McCall Scanlon & Tice, LLC CPAs to tally the results of the 2011 General Election. The firm will receive all ballots through the deadline, June 5, 2011. Ballots will be tallied by three counters on Monday, June 6, 2011, the first business day following the close of balloting. No counters will be ALSA members or associated with ALSA. The firm plans to certify results the day of counting. The fee for all supplies, receiving and organizing ballots, verification by crosscheck to membership list, tallying votes, reporting and storage of ballots through a protest period is \$700, a small reduction from last year's fees.

Respectfully submitted,
Lougene A Baird, Chair

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Barb Parsons
No Report

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Bob)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman

I apologize for this being last minute, but I have a questions.

The only thing that I have is a possible correction. The January minutes, page 11 state:

Part D, Section 1-D page 18

D. Judges' Fees

1. Llama Shows

a. Leave as is

b. Halter/Performance Judges should be paid the following minimum fees per day:

Judge with less than 5 years experience - \$250

Judge with 5 years or more experience - \$300

c. Fiber Judges should be paid the following minimum fees per day:

Judge with less than 5 years experience - \$250

Judge with 5 years or more experience - \$300

Technically, the Fiber Judges should have been left as is, which is how it is written for Alpaca Fleece. Llama Fiber Judges are still a part of the "Level" system. So Level Judge - \$250; Senior Level - \$300.

I see that the Handbook is available on the website. The fees are not incorrect, just the wording. To the best of my knowledge, the change (as voted & approved) was not reviewed by the Judges Committee or the Llama Fleece Committee. Is there anything that can be done at this point? If so, do we want to do anything? Do you want anything formal from me?

Cathie: Motioned to approve correction. Tom seconded. Motion carried.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:
This was covered by Tom under Treasurer's report.

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman

a) Approval of National judges.

The Grand National Committee has the following report for the BOD:

1. Judges have been submitted to the BOD for approval

Allen: Motioned to approve the National judges. Keith seconded. Roll call vote.

Tom-No; Allen- Yes; Cathie-abstain; Keith-no; Trish- Yes

Yes-2, No-2, 1- abstain. Tie vote. President voted Yes; Motion carried.

2. Ribbons are already being prepared for this year
3. Trophies are planned
4. Web Cast—The Grand National Committee requests that we do not have the webcast this year.

BOD tabled this item.

The Committee is working very hard to plan the GN show of 2011 and hope that the exhibitors will have a great time.

Carol Ann Tallmon

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Bob)
Chair: Wally Baker
No Report
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Doug Overman
No Report
9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Ulin Andrews
No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Leigh Snyder
No Report

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla
No Report
17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Steve Katzakian
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Penny Davidson
No Report

There being nothing further to discuss, Tom motioned to adjourn the meeting Trish seconded.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 10:30pm EST.

**Special Meeting
March 24, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 7:58 pm EST by Treasurer, Tom Parsons

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President

V. President

Treasurer Tom Parsons

Secretary Keith Wattigney

Board Members:

Allen Davis

Stacie Forshee

Regional Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

New Business:

- 1) Cheryl J. asked for the Board's opinion for the Eastern Regional to be held in conjunction with the Back to Basics Llama Show in Albion, New York. The Back to Basics show would be held on June 4th, with the Regional show to be held on June 5th.
- 2) The Regional Chair, Cheryl Juntilla, is requesting an approved judges list for the Regional shows from Cathie Kindler, the Judge's Committee liaison.

The Board accepts the list of Regional judges.

- 3) Cheryl J. states that ALSA members would like to lower the entry fees for the Regional Shows. Tom stated that he believes that it would not be a good financial decision, but that he would review the numbers and see if anything would be feasible.
- 4) Allen Davis suggests that maybe Marilyn Nenni's youth show could possibly be a Youth Qualifier Show for the Nationals. Therefore cutting down the Youth's expenses at Regional Shows.
- 5) Cheryl J. asked if the Regional Show Superintendents will get "seed" money for the show. The Regional Show Superintendents will get seed money for the show.

At 9:20 pm EST Cheryl Juntilla discontinued the call, having her questions regarding the Regional shows answered.

The Board present continued with the meeting.

- 1) The Regional Shows have been approved. The following are firm commitments.

The Eastern Regional show to be held on the same weekend and venue as the Back to Basics Llama Show in Albion, New York. Michelle Batts to superintend.

The Southeastern Regional show will be held on October 1 & 2, 2011 in Gainesville, GA, Craig Swindler to superintend.

The Rocky Mountain Regional show will be held on September 3 & 4, 2011 in Castle Rock, Co., Barb Harris to superintend.

- 2) The following are “in progress”.

The Southwestern Regional show may be held in conjunction with the Harvest Fair Show in Santa Rosa, CA.

Marilyn Nenni will superintend the Buckeye Regional with details to follow.

Keith & Patti Wattigney have agreed to superintend the Central Regional Show with details to follow.

There being no further information to discuss, Keith motioned to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 9:43 EST.

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
May 10, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm EST by Vice-President, Cathie Kindler

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President

V. President Cathie Kindler

Treasurer Tom Parsons

Secretary Keith Wattigney

Board Members:

Allen Davis

Trish Brandt-Robuck

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg - Absent

Absent:

Ken Forster

Stacie Forshee

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. No old business needed to be discussed.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of April 30, 2011

Current Assets

Cash \$ 23,824

Investment Account 67,625

Cash – Memorials 2,836

Total Current Assets \$94,285

Equity	<u>\$ 94,285</u>
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The Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Office Report:

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>> recouped 2 years back ALSA memberships and one for 2011 from same
>> party.
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>> Working on last NSF issue, have received new number for accounts payable and am working on getting that resolved for a clean slate.

>> Worked with Election Committee to verify memberships, reconcile,
>> provide lists for CPA, Provided Labels after list and reconcile was
>> finalized and approved ready to go. Check has also been sent to cover
>> the cost of printing and mailing ballots and statements.

>> Show Insurances for our Regional and National Shows have been renewed
>> at the same price as last year. In 3 years we have saved over \$15,000
>> in Regional and National Insurances and have helped an average of 20
>> shows per year obtain free insurance for their show at a savings of
>> tens of thousands of Dollars to our superintendents. Our company
>> recently was requested to have 2 different insurance certificates
>> supplied within a 24 hour period due to issues that the
>> superintendents occurred. It was completed and the supers were
>> extremely happy with the response to their needs.

>> All 2011 Shows submitted to ALSA Office, as of today, have been
>> entered and sent to be posted on the ALSA Website.

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Cheryl

1. ALSA logo and postings on Face Book will not be used without BOD approval.
2. Llama fleece entries at the National Show do not have to obtain an ALSA number.

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
No Report
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird

Election Committee Report – May 6, 2011

May 1, 2011, was the deadline for the Committee to receive Statements of Candidacy. Statements were submitted by five Nominees. The Candidates are Maryan Baker and Trish Brandt-Robuck from the Southwestern Region, Cathie Kindler from the Southeastern Region, Larry Lewellyn from the Rocky Mountain Region and Marilyn Nenni from the Buckeye Region. There are no By-laws changes on this year's General Election Ballot. Two Candidates will be elected.

The Committee requests the attached Statement of Candidacies by posted on the ALSA website.

BOD approves of this request.

The Balloting material has been printed and is scheduled to be mailed from Castle Rock CO Tuesday, May 10 to all members in-good-standing. 595 Ballots will be mailed, 10 percent of the ballots, or 59, must be returned to establish a quorum. Election of Directors shall be by a plurality vote.

Ballots must be received by the CPA, McCall Scanlon & Tice, LLC, by Sunday, June 5, 2011. The tally of votes will begin on Monday, June 6, 2011 – the first business day following the close of balloting. Results should be received by the Election Committee and forwarded to the Committee's Board Liaison later that day.

Well into this year's election process, within the last couple weeks, the committee has received suggestions from two ALSA members for ways to streamline the election process as well as offer the members an avenue to seek more information from Candidates. Trish Brand-Robuck has suggested voting by electronic ballot be considered and Barb Parsons has suggest a Town-Hall type meeting to allow members to communicate openly with each Candidate. The committee finds both of these ideas interesting and worthy of consideration and has asked each person to further explore these ideas with the Committee after the completion of this year's election.

As Chair, I would like to thank the Committee members, the Board and Liaison Cathie Kindler, Tom Parsons for help in validating an accurate list of members in-good-standing and coordination with Cheryl in the ALSA office for another outstanding year of team work.

Thanks also to all five Candidates who are willing to serve this organization. The Election Committee appreciates your cooperation in meeting all deadlines. Good luck to each of you. Respectfully submitted,

Lougene Ann Baird, Chair
ALSA Election Committee

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Barb Parsons
No Report
4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman

To: ALSA Board of Directors
Subject: ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Report for the April 2011
ALSA BOD Meeting
Date: April 5, 2011

I am pleased to inform you of the ALSA Llama Fleece Committee's current discussion points.

New Business

The Grand National Fleece Show Sub-Committee requests approval for Karen Kinyon and Joy Forshey to be judge the 2011 Grand National Fleece Show.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Ruckman~

ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Chair

Trish motioned to accept the above request. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:
This was covered by Tom under Treasurer's report.
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman

The Grand National Committee report for May, 2011.

1. Trophies has been discussed and ordered from the same supplier. The price of the trophies will be the same as last year, but with a totally different look.
2. This year is again a home game for Nebraska, so hotels are going to be hard to find. Some of the hotels that we have talked with are already all booked for that weekend.

The Grand National host hotel will be the **New Victorian Suites**. We have been able to block 40 rooms, so make your reservations early. The web site is: www.newvictorianinn.com. The room rate is \$89.99 for a King Suite, which also has a sleeper sofa, or a double queen suite.

3. This year the Grand National show will have an online entry system. The exhibitor will be able to enter online and also pay with credit or debit card at the time of entry. This should make entering the show much easier for everyone.
4. Ribbons have been ordered.
5. The Grand National committee would like to thank the website committee & Trish for updating the ALSA website with the current 2011 Grand National information.

The Grand National committee continues to work very hard on plans to make it a fun time for the exhibitors.

Carol Ann Tallmon

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Wally Baker
No Report
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

The Judges committee seeks the BOD's approval for a Llama Fleece Clinic on November 18th, 19th and 20th
2011 at McFarland Llama Farm with Deb Yeagle and Cindy Ruckman as Instructors.

After successfully completing the Unzicker clinic the JC committee asks for approval to certify

Marilyn Nenni as a Llama and performance Judge

And to recertify through CEC credits for Llama Fleece

Maryan Baker
Patti Morgan

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Judges Committee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Cindy Ruckman
Barb Harris
Mary Reed

The BOD approves all of the above.

Subsequent to the above vote, Eran McCarty was also approved to be added to the Judges' List.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Ulin Andrews
No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Leigh Snyder
No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla

Regional Committee Report for May 10, 2011 ALSA Board Meeting

1. The Central, Rocky Mountain and Southeastern Regional Championships remain on track with dates, locations and judges as previously approved.
2. Leigh Snyder has volunteered to serve as superintendent for the Buckeye and Great Lakes Regional Championships to be held on October 8 and 9, 2011, at the Porter Country Fairgrounds and Expo Center in Valparaiso, Indiana. There are no other shows on the ALSA calendar for that weekend and we have confirmed it will not conflict with the date of the Hoosier Llama Association's Fall Show. The cost of the indoor arena is \$350 per day and the

cost of stalls in the horse barn is \$10 per day. The location of this facility makes it easily accessible for exhibitors from both regions and would give them the unique opportunity to enter either one or both championships. We believe this could be a very successful event if we can start promoting it as soon as possible.

The BOD voted no to this proposal.

Tom motioned to accept the proposal from the HLAA to hold a National Qualifier show in Noblesville, the weekend of October 1st. Cathie seconded. 5 Yes; 1 No. Motion Carried.

3. Marilyn Milton has volunteered to serve as superintendent of the Northwestern Regional Championship to be held in conjunction with the Fiber and Flock Show in Canby, Oregon, on September 24 and 25, 2011. The superintendent of the Fiber and Flock Show is ALSA member Dr. Hal Koenig. This is a big event which gets a lot of public exposure. ALSA's share of the facility cost would be \$700 and all stall rental expense would be covered by the Fiber and Flock Show. The Fiber and Flock Show is an ILR show, so this proposal includes a request that the Northwestern Region be granted an exception from Part E, Section 1 (B) of the 16th Edition of the ALSA Handbook. Major exceptions to longstanding Handbook provisions relating to regional championships have already been made for the benefit of members in other regions. The stated purpose of those exceptions was so that members could qualify for the National show without driving long distances. Strict enforcement of the new provision in Part E, Section 1(B) will unfairly impact members in the Northwestern Region and require them to drive long distances to Regional Championships or qualifying shows outside of their Region. Members in the Northwestern Region have been very supportive of and well-represented at the National show in the past and last year only three other regions had more animals entered in the National show. Making it more difficult for members in the Northwestern Region to qualify at the same time that it has been made easier for members in other regions to qualify is unfair and makes no business sense.

The following letter was submitted to Marilyn Milton.

Hi Marilyn,

At the ALSA Board of Directors meeting last week we discussed your request for an exemption regarding the ALSA rule that ALSA Regional and National Qualifier shows will not to be sanctioned if held in conjunction with a competing show association event (Fiber and Flock Show). The ALSA Board is aware that ALSA members in the Northwest have limited opportunities to qualify for the ALSA National Show. The Board is also aware that the Northwest ALSA region strongly supported the 2010 ALSA National. The Board has concluded that it is in the best interests of ALSA and ALSA members to grant the exemption with the following caveats:

As with all Regional shows the Judge for the show will be selected from the ALSA Judges Committee approved list. The contract will be entered into by ALSA and the Judge. ALSA will pay the judge and related reasonable travel expenses along with Regional ribbons and the facility rental. The ALSA Regional is to be held on separate day from the Fiber and Flock Show. (stand alone show)

Marilyn, the Board would like to have a Northwest Regional show and hopes you are willing to accept our proposal.

Sincerely
Tom Parsons
Treas. ALSA

This was her reply.

Hello Tom,

I appreciate ALSA's consideration of our request, and thank you for your time and effort to accommodate the ALSA members in the Pacific Northwest. Unfortunately, due to the nature of the event we will be unable to hold the ALSA Regional on a separate day. The OFFF is a two day event only. There is not enough time or space to have these shows on separate days due to the amount of classes and participants. The only way to accomplish both shows is to run them simultaneously like you would any double show, which went very smoothly last year.

I regret that we cannot meet your terms. I understand from the letter I received from Cheryl Juntilla, that the Southwest Regional has also been cancelled. I fear that cancellation of both Regional events will have a major impact on the Grand Nationals.

I am in possession of the Northwest Region ribbons. Would you like me to take them back to the ribbon contractor in case she can re-work them for another region?

Best Regards,

Marilyn Milton

4. The offer by the Hoosier Llama Association to host the Buckeye Regional Championship in conjunction with its Fall Show has been withdrawn.

5. The proposal to hold the Southwestern Regional Championship in conjunction with the Harvest Fair Show has been withdrawn.

They want to hold a National Qualifier show.

6. The Regional Committee is still waiting to hear whether a decision has been made about using a different ribbon vendor and would appreciate a response from the Board on this question as soon as possible. Once we are certain which regions will not be holding championship shows this year, we can distribute the leftover ribbons from those regions to be refurbished for use at this year's regional championships and further reduce costs by only having to purchase replacement streamers.

The National ribbons have been ordered from the previous supplier. The Regional ribbons can be ordered from whatever vendor is chosen

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Steve Katzakian
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Penny Davidson
No Report

There being nothing further to discuss, Keith motioned to adjourn the meeting. Allen seconded.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:23pm EST.

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
June 14, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm EST by President, Ken Forster

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Cathie Kindler
Treasurer	Tom Parsons
Secretary	Keith Wattigney

Board Members:

Allen Davis
Trish Brandt-Robuck
Stacie Forshee

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg

Absent:

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. None.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2011

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 20,683
Investment Account	67,738
Cash – Memorials	2,836

Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 91,257</u>
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Total Assets	<u>\$ 91,257</u>
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Equity	<u>\$ 91,257</u>
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Tom provided a detailed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for May 31, 2011.
Above is a summary of the Balance Sheet.

The show revenue is down about \$5,000 compared to last year at this time.

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Office Report:

Administrative Manager Report, June 2011

Due to the cancellation of 3 shows directly related to the horse Virus, the Kokopelli, Grand Mesa and LOCC Spring, the office is offering to deduct the show fees as reported in 2010 from the office contract over a 3 month period. The total of these 3 shows is \$1050.

We also had 2 shows cancel due to attendance. It is unfortunate that 5 shows within a few states were scheduled on the same date.

We, once again same show 3rd year in a row, have a situation where the show super has paid in advance for their show and has not provided any results or statistics as to how the money was applied that was sent. It can be noted on the chart, I would like to discuss this.

12 shows arrived at ALSA Office within a couple of days, we are not entirely caught up getting them posted to the ALSA Website, but should by the end of the week.

The office has had no correspondence from Regional Committee other than a request to send ribbons to Texas which was done and received, I contacted Jim Doyle and Craig Swindler personally for information, so we could get those regionals posted onto the Show Calendar.

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Cheryl Ryberg
ALSA Office
Administrative Manager
607 California Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15202

Due to the cancellation of 3 shows directly related to the horse Virus, the Kokopelli, Grand Mesa and LOCC Spring, the office is offering to deduct the show fees as reported in 2010 from the office contract over a 3 month period. The total of these 3 shows is \$1,050. The BOD suggested that Cheryl do a donation to ALSA for this amount. The BOD did not feel it was correct to deduct from salary.

After completion of the Office Report, Cheryl dismissed herself from the call.

1. Allen motioned for two items under New Business to go into Executive Session. Keith seconded. Motion passed. The BOD entered into Executive Session at 8:04pm. The BOD exited the Executive Session at 8:14pm when a Allen motioned to exit from the Executive Session, seconded by Trish and motion passed.
2. Keith motioned not to sanction any ALSA shows that are held in conjunction with an ILR-SD show. Allen seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Cathie-No; Trish-No; Allen-Yes; Tom-No; Keith-Yes; Stacie-No. Motion failed.

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Stacie)
Chair: Mary Reed

Hi Cathie,

The Alpaca Committee has received a request from Kevin Sullivan to be replaced on the Alpaca Committee. The committee has approved his request. We ask that he be replaced with Cynthia Ernst, 8935 Wiggins Rd., Howell, MI 38855. Phone 517-861-9328, e-mail cynthiaernst@sbcglobal.net Cindy attended the March 2011 Alpaca Halter Judging Clinic and is entering the apprentice program, pending approval by the board of the June ALSA Judges' Committee report.

Thanks,

Mary

The Alpaca Committee report can be found under the Judge's Committee report.

Cathie pointed out that at the next month meeting, a new BOD will in place. The liaison and chair might be changed along with the committee members. She suggested that the BOD hold off on their approval pending the July meeting. The BOD agreed with Cathie on this point.

2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird

Aloha Ken!

The election results are being sent to you as the primary recipient because the Election Committee liaison was a candidate.

The election results are being copied to the liaison because STANDING RULES ARTICLE II- Election, Compensation, Employees Section 1: Election (e) states ...”The designated CPA will tally the ballots. Upon notification of the election results, the Election Committee will then inform their liaison of the results....”

By making you, as President, the primary recipient and the liaison as secondary recipient the Election Committee has removed any perception of inappropriate reporting.

Members of the Election Committee are always copied on Committee reports, etc.

Please notify the candidates as well as the ALSA office or whoever is in charge of posting items to the ALSA website. If you would like for me to notify the office , please let me know as I will help you anyway I am able.

Attached is the Election Committee Report AND the Letter of Certification from the CPA to be placed as permanent record in the ALSA records.

Respectfully,

Lougene A Baird, Chair

ALSA Election Committee

CC: Liaison Kindler

CC: Election Committee members Dunn and Adamcyk

Election Committee Report – June 6, 2011

ALSA 2011 General Election results were received today from McCall Scanlon & Tice, LLC., the CPA firm counting the ballots. Ballots were counted by three independent counters, none were ALSA members or otherwise associated with the organization. The signed certified results will be forwarded to the ALSA Board for inclusion in the records of the organization.

The membership has elected two new Directors and three alternates. The following are the certified results in alphabetical order as reported.

Maryan C. Baker	111 votes	<u>Elected</u>	Southwestern Region
Trish Brandt-Robuck	58 votes	3 rd Alternate	Southwestern Region
Cathie L. Kindler	96 votes	<u>Elected</u>	Southeastern Region
Larry Lewellyn	87 votes	1 st Alternate	Rocky Mountain Region
Marilyn Nenni	74 votes	2 nd Alternate	Buckeye Region

As required by the ALSA Bylaws, ballots were mailed the second week of May to all eligible members. 227 ballots were voted. Two ballots were returned to the Committee as not deliverable as addressed, indicating the members had not corrected their address with the ALSA office. The voted ballots represent 39 percent of the ballots sent.

Per the ALSA Bylaws, all ballots will be retained by the Election Committee until midnight October 15 at which time they will be destroyed. If a challenge is issued, the ballots will be maintained until said challenge is acknowledged as resolved by the Board of Directors, at which point they may be destroyed.

The Committee once again appreciates the team work on the part of the ALSA Board of Directors and the ALSA office in successfully completing this year's election process.

Congratulations to those members who participated in this year's General Election as candidates for election and a grand thank you to the members who showed their concern for this organization by casting their votes.

Lougene Ann Baird
Chair, ALSA Election Committee

McCALL SCANLON & TICE, LLC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

June 6, 2011

Lougene Baird
Alpaca and Llama Show Association
P.O. Box 385403
Waikoloa, HI 96738

Dear Lougene:

Following are the certified results of the ALSA 2011 Board of Directors election.

Listed below, in alphabetical order, is each candidate's name and the number of votes received.

Baker, Maryan - 111 votes
Brandt-Robuck, Trish - 58 votes
Kindler, Cathie - 86 votes
Lewellyn, Larry - 87 votes
Nenni, Marilyn - 74 votes

Three independent counters tallied the votes. None of the counters were ALSA members or otherwise associated with ALSA.

The quorum (or total number of ballots) is 227.

We, the undersigned, certify that we were the counters present for the vote tally, the results listed above are accurate and that we are not associated with ALSA.


Richard P. Kovach, C.P.A.


Date


Joyce K. Bestwick


Date


Joseph J. Diani


Date

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3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Barb Parsons
No Report

Tom stated that Barb has not received anything from the BOD concerning Ken voting as the tie breaker vote on the approval of the Grand National Judges.

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman
5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:
This was covered by Tom under Treasurer's report.

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon

The Grand National committees report for June, 2011:

The Grand National committee is continuing to work to make this Grand National show a very special show. Everything has been ordered and hotels have been arranged.

Please plan to make hotel reservations early—home game same weekend as Grand Nationals.

Malcolm & Carol Ann Tallmon

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Wally Baker
No Report

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

Hi Allen,

First I sent in a request a few weeks ago to get Eran McCarty approved as a Alsa Halter and Performance Judge. She passed the Clinic and it was error on my part for not sending it with the last JC report. I'm just checking to see if she was approved.

Allen motioned to approve Eran McCarty as an ALSA Halter and Performance Judge. Trish seconded. Motion passed.

Here is the Judges committee report.

SR Llama Fleece Judge. She has accomplished more than all the requirements of the criteria established in the Nov 2009 BOD Minutes.

Allen motioned to accept Joy Bishop-Forshey as a SR Llama Fleece Judge. Cathie seconded. Motion passed.

Attached are the recommendations of the Alpaca Clinic from the Clinic at Mary Reeds.

To: Doug Overman, Chairman, ALSA Judges Committee
From: Mary Reed, Anthony Stachowski, DVM, ALSA Alpaca Halter Judging Clinic
Instructors
Date: May 19, 2011
Subject: Beginning & Advanced ALSA Alpaca Halter Judging Clinic certification
recommendations

A Beginning and Advanced ALSA Alpaca Halter Judging Clinic was held at Stachowski Alpacas in March, 2011. The instructors were Mary Reed and Anthony Stachowski. Attendees were Deb Yeagle, Emily Stoops, Kevin Sullivan, Cindy Ernst and Kim Rassi. Deb Yeagle is seeking re-certification as a Senior Alpaca Halter Judge. Emily Stoops and Kevin Sullivan are seeking certification as Level Alpaca Halter Judges, this being their final clinic. Cindy Ernst and Kim Rassi are seeking acceptance in the apprentice program. In addition, Kim, having completed the majority of the AOBA Alpaca Halter Judging Program, is seeking accelerated completion of certification with ALSA.

The halter judging clinic was held over two days, March 19th and 20th. 9 classes of Huacaya alpacas were placed with complete oral reasons required from all participants. The group traveled to a nearby suri farm on Sunday afternoon and evaluated a dozen high-end Suri Alpaca. Showmanship and performance rules and judging procedures were presented, without testing, as performance alpacas were not available. As such, the instructors are only recommending initial certification of clinic participants in alpaca performance in instances in which the apprentice has completed the required number of performance apprenticeships and has been tested on scoring performance classes in prior clinics. All participants were tested on Alpaca anatomy and conformation in two written tests.

The basis for scoring was weighted 75% on accuracy in Halter class placing and presentation of oral reasons, 25% on Anatomy and Conformation test scores.

Paragraphs have been omitted from this report.

In addition, the clinic instructors request recertification as Senior Alpaca Halter and Performance Judges for 3 years.

Sincerely,

Mary Z. Reed

Anthony Stachowski, DVM

Hi Allen,

The judges committee recommends to pass Kevin Sullivan from the Alpaca Clinic.

Judges Comittee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Cindy Ruckman
Barb Harris

Based upon the above recommendations:

Allen motioned to accept Deb Yeagle as a Sr. Judge, Emily Stoops as a Level Judge, Kevin Sullivan, Cindy Ernst and Kim Rassi as Apprentices. Trish Seconded. Roll Call Vote: Allen-Yes; Trish-Yes; Keith-Yes; Stacie-No; Tom-No; Cathie-No. Ken-No. Motion Failed.

Based on the above recommendations:

Cathie motioned to accept Deb Yeagle as Sr. Judge, Emily Stoops as a Level Judge, Cindy Ernst and Kim Rassi as Apprentices. Tom Seconded. Roll Call Vote: Cathie-Yes; Tom-Yes; Keith-Yes; Allen-No; Trish-No; Stacie-Yes. Motion carried.

It was recommended that Kevin Sullivan be reevaluated by the Judge's Committee and sent back to the Board for a review.

From Doug's Committee report:

*The ALSA Judges' Committee has been given the responsibility of educating and certifying **ALSA Judges**.* (emphasis added; Part S, page 130)

We, the Judges' Committee, recommend that the BOD address this omission by adding "and Instructors" after "ALSA Judges" to the Handbook as it is appropriate.

Allen motioned to accept the above Judge's Committee recommendation to be effective immediately. Trish seconded. Motion passed.

Numerous complaints have been received by Doug Overman, Chairman of the Judges' Committee on the actions of two ALSA Judges: The Judges' Committee determined that investigation was necessary in both instances. The Chair of the committee informed both Judges of the complaints, including copies of written complaints, and requested a response. The Committee has received a response from each judge and has completed their investigation, making the following recommendations to the ALSA Board of Directors.

Susan Tellez – Complaints on lack of professionalism and improper behavior while instructing an ALSA Judging Clinic in Oregon, May 2010 and violations of ALSA rules and ethics governing certified judges. In response to the complaints, Ms. Tellez has voluntarily offered her request to be removed from the "Active ALSA Judge List."

The committee recommends that the ALSA Board of Directors accept the resignation of Ms. Tellez as a Senior Alpaca Halter and Performance Judge, and Senior Llama and Alpaca Fleece Judge, effective immediately. The committee recommends that the ALSA Board of Directors remove Ms. Tellez from the official list of ALSA Judges. The committee also requests that the ALSA Board of Directors remove Ms. Tellez from the list of approved clinic instructors. The committee recommends that the investigation into the complaints on Ms. Tellez be closed with the Boards' acceptance of the above committee recommendations.

Allen motioned to accept her resignation. Trish seconded. Motion passed.

Next portion of report excluded due to being handled in executive session.

Allen motioned to go into Executive Session. Trish seconded. Motion passed. The BOD entered into Executive Session at 9:10pm. The BOD exited the Executive Session at 9:24pm when Allen motioned to exit from the Executive Session, seconded by Trish and motion passed.

Below motion made during Executive Session:

Trish motioned to suspend Cathie from judging and instructing for a period of two years and after the two year suspension to be recertified as a judge and instructor by attending and passing an advanced clinic. Keith seconded. Roll call vote: Cathie-No; Tom-No; Stacie-No; Allen-Yes; Trish-Yes; Keith-Yes. Ken-Yes. Motion passed.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Ulin Andrews
No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Leigh Snyder
No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla
17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Steve Katzakian
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)

Chair: Penny Davidson
No Report

There being nothing further to discuss, Keith motioned to adjourn the meeting. Allen seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:27pm EST.

E-Mail Motions:

BOD approved May Minutes.

Subsequent E-Mail Motions:

06-15-2011

Motion by Tom:

I move to immediately rescind last night disciplinary action taken against Cathie Kindler.

Seconded by Stacie.

Votes: Allen-No; Cathie-Yes; Keith-No; Stacie-Yes; Tom-Yes; Trish-No.

Yes votes-3 & NO votes-3; Motion tied. President votes NO. Motion failed.

Subsequent Items that were addressed:

Barb Parsons received the information pertaining to Ken voting as the tie breaker on the approval of the Grand National Judges.

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
July 19, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:04 pm EST by President, Ken Forster

Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

Ken Forster
Cathie Kindler
Tom Parsons
Keith Wattigney
Allen Davis
Maryan Baker
Stacie Forshee

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg

Absent:

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Election of Officers:

President	Ken Forster Allen motioned – Maryan seconded – Motion passed.
V. President	Maryan Baker Allen motioned – Keith seconded – Motion passed
Treasurer	Tom Parsons Maryan motioned – Cathie seconded – Motion passed
Secretary	Keith Wattigney Maryan motioned – Allen seconded – Motion passed
Board Members:	Allen Davis Cathie Kindler Stacie Forshee
Office Manager:	Cheryl Ryberg
Absent:	

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager
Office Report, July 19, 2011

Reminder for committee and members to use my lamas@alsashow.org or cheryl.ryberg@gmail email address as I am not using the Nauticom account.

I requested that Marilyn Nenni contact the .net account to change her email address to lamas@alsashow.org, I have not heard back from her. We had a problem with that account which was "down" for about a day, we cannot get email responses without Marilyn contacting them and changing that email address as she set it up. We will have to do it here at the office and Alan would have to come over at an expense that we could avoid.

I am working with Alan and Grant at MGSoftnet on a proposal for 2012 ALSA Office Contract. We are working on ways to cut the cost of maintaining office and database for the ALSA as well as helping getting results and so on faster. They have a staff which could help with data entry, answer phones and learn to take over the various duties that are currently contracted here. They would automate duties that now take a great deal of time. (Membership cards could be turned into receipts for example, animal numbers automatically generated) I would consult and train with them for at least the first full year to make sure a transition would go well and not disrupt banking and many contacts that we have with the office. The office would become more virtual, than actual. Having an actual office has outlived its purpose and most business here is done by mail and internet.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Ryberg

Assignment of Committee Liaisons

1. Alpaca Committee (Stacie)
2. Election Committee (Cathie)
3. Ethics Committee (Allen)
4. Fiber Committee (Maryan)
5. Finance and Budget Committee (Tom)
6. Grand National Committee - Changes in Dec
7. Handbook Committee (Maryan)
8. Judges Committee (Allen)
9. Membership Committee (Ken)
10. Nomination Committee (Allen)
11. Performance (Maryan)
12. Policy and Planning Committee (Ken)

13. Promotion Committee (Keith)
14. Protest Committee (Keith)
15. Publications Committee (Maryan)
16. Regional Committee - Changes in Dec
- 17 Show Management Committee (Allen)
18. Web Site Committee (Ken)
19. Youth Committee (Stacie)

Cheryl Ryberg dismissed herself from the call at 8:48 pm EST.

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2011

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 17,393
Investment Account	67,738
Cash – Memorials	2,841

Total Current Assets \$ 87,972

Total Assets \$ 87,972

Equity \$ 87,972

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. Printing of the Handbooks was readdressed.

New Business:

1. Letter for support of 2011 Pack Llama Festival was received. Maryan motioned for the ALSA office do an email blast for the promotion of the Pack Llama Festival. Allen seconded. Motion carried.
2. Letters from Members – Will be discussed at the end of the meeting.

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Stacie)
Chair:
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird

Election Committee Report – July 7, 2011

The Committee has completed the tasks following the announcement of the election. Candidates were notified in writing of the outcome of the election. Ballots are stored by the CPA until further notice.

The Standing Rules Article III – Election – (e) require the Election Committee to forward a copy of the results to SHOWRING by the next publishing date. The Committee is not aware of a deadline date for SHOWRING nor who to send the information to. Therefore, all information concerning the announcement of election results was published on the ALSA Website.

Please notice that the Standing Rules contain several items concerning the election process that are out of date or have outlived the rules. The Committee will review the Standing Rules over the next few months and make suggestions for the ALSA Board to correct the rules.

Regards,
Lougene Ann Baird, Chair
ALSA Election Committee

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair:

If not already done so, the Ethics Chair will send the response information concerning Ken voting as the tie breaker vote to the person of inquiry.

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair:

To: ALSA Board of Directors
Subject: ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Report for the July 2011
ALSA BOD Meeting
Date: July 12, 2011

I am pleased to inform you of the ALSA Llama Fleece Committee's current discussion points.

Old Business

The GN Fleece Show Committee continues to communicate with the GN Show Committee to confirm plans for the 2011 Grand National Llama Fleece Show. We truly appreciate all members of the committees and the ALSA Board who are working so diligently to make this year's show a great success.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Ruckman~
ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Chair

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:

This was covered by Tom under Treasurer's report.

6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon

The Grand National Report for July, 2011

1. The computer program will be on line by the end of August. (This is the date the computer co & Sharon had setup, if it needs to be sooner—that can be arranged.)
2. A new game is being planned for the exhibitors to play during the show, the Bean drop.
3. Again this year we are having the costume contest-which will start right after the opening ceremonies. The showmanship classes will be held at a different time and shouldn't be a problem this year. So everyone get those costumes ready.
4. Also, LANA will be hosting the versatility class again this year. Last year was a big success and look forward to the fun again this year.
5. The judges for the fiber classes are Joy Bishop Forshey & Karen Kinyon. The deadline dates will be posted in August report. Looking forward seeing all of those beautiful animals in the show ring for the awards.

Malcolm Tallmon
Carol Ann Tallmon

Several different options were discussed about the qualifying criteria for animals to participate in the Grand Nationals. Will send to the Grand National Committee, the Show Management Committee and the Regional Committee.

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Wally Baker
No Report

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

The Judges Committee Report

1. The JC committee recommends that Mary Reed and Anthony Stachowski, be recertified Senior Alpaca Halter and Performance Judges for 3 years.
Doug Overman be recertified as an ALSA Halter and Performance Judge through CEC Credits.
Kevin Sullivan be approved as an Alpaca Halter and performance Judge

2. Also the Judges committee would like to see the portion of our last Committee report that was omitted put into the minutes

Thank you for your time
Judges Committee
Doug Overman

Deb Yeagle
Barb Harris
Cindy Ruckman
Mary Reed

In response to Item 1 above:

Cathie motioned to approve Mary Reed, Anthony Stachowski and Doug Overman's recertification. Tom seconded. Motion passed.

Cathie recommends that Kevin Sullivan's certification be sent back to the Judge's Committee to await the receipt of the 2011 Show Superintendent report and extra funds required to balance what he sent before the show to the number of participants, animals, member fees and nonmember fees.

In response to Item 2 above:

The portion that was omitted in the June 2011 minutes can not be included in the July minutes. This portion was discussed in executive session and therefore can not be included in the minutes.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair:
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair:
No Report
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair:
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair:

A Protest Committee report was received.

Keith motioned to send it back to the Protest Committee and tabled until the BOD receives response from the ALSA attorney. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)

Chair:

No Report

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Cheryl Jutilla

Regional Committee Report for July 19, 2011 Board Meeting

First, we want to express our thanks to the superintendents in regions that are not having championships this year for sending their ribbon inventories to the current Regional Superintendents so they can be refurbished and used for the 2011 Regional Championships. We also want to thank the volunteers who are doing extra work on the ribbons this year to help keep costs down. Everyone's cooperation and teamwork is much appreciated.

Information and entry forms for each Regional Championship are being sent to the office and we hope to see them posted on the website soon.

It has been brought to our attention that the April 28, 2011 e-mail sent out by the ALSA office contains confusing information regarding "national qualifier shows" and the Regional Championships. Near the beginning of the e-mail there is a statement "NEW THIS YEAR: Grand National Qualifier Shows: All Classes qualify for Grand National to sixth place." (emphasis added) However, at the end of the e-mail there is a paragraph which states that "placing 1-6 within a division at a Regional show would qualify for the National." (emphasis added) We assume that the Board did not intend to make it more difficult for animals entered in a Regional Championship to qualify for the Grand National than it is for those entered in a "national qualifier" and request that this point be clarified so that Grand National qualifying criteria is the same for everyone.

We have received several inquiries from members wondering why the Board rejected the proposal submitted for the Great Lakes and Buckeye Regional Championships. There is still a volunteer willing to serve as superintendent, an available facility and a sponsor willing to make a substantial donation, so we would greatly appreciate an explanation as to why the ALSA Board rejected this proposal.

Cheryl Juntilla

Regional Committee Chair

In reference to the above last paragraph:

The BOD deemed it inappropriate to combine two regions and ask the exhibitors from the Great Lakes to travel to another region to hold their Regional Championship show.

The Great Lakes have been approved to host a National Qualifier show.

In reference to the second to last paragraph:

A new email blast will be send by the ALSA office clarifying this paragraph.

2011 ALSA Regional Championship Shows

Regional Show Superintendents and Regional Show Dates Region	Date, Location and Judge	Superintendent
Buckeye	N/A	
Central	September 23 -25, 2011 Oklahoma City, OK Judge: Maryan Baker	Jim Doyle jdoyle@marikollamas.com
Eastern	N/A	
Great Lakes	N/A	
Rocky Mountain	September 3 & 4, 2011 Castle Rock, CO Judge: Patti Morgan	Barb Harris wildcatllamas@aol.com
Northwestern	N/A	
Southeastern	October 1 & 2, 2011 Gainesville, GA Judge: Margaret Henry	Craig Swindler cswindler@caroline.rr.com 704-575-5513
Southwestern	N/A	

The Great Lakes and the Buckeye are to hold National Qualifier Shows.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
No Report
18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair:
No Report
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair:
No Report

Letters from Members:

The BOD acknowledges receipt of your letters. The matters are under review.

There being nothing further to discuss, Maryan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Keith seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 10:57pm EST.

E-Mail Motions:

1. 6/21/2011 - BOD approved June Minutes Draft #2
Allen-yes; Cathie-yes; Keith-yes, Stacie-yes, Trish-yes, Tom-yes

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
August 9, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:01 pm EST by President, Ken Forster
(All times posted are EST, if not noted)

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Maryan Baker
Treasurer	Tom Parsons – Resigned 8:32pm
Secretary	Keith Wattigney
Board Members:	

Allen Davis
Cathie Kindler
Stacie Forshee – Joined 8:25pm
Larry Lewellyn – Joined 9:13pm

Absent: Office Manager: Cheryl Ryberg

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

There seems to be misunderstanding regarding my statement of working with MGSoftnet and the office for future contracts. We are trying to come up with a solution that would save ALSA money on office expenses, by adding software that would automatically reply and not require a person to sit in the office for 40 hours a week.

We are continuing to get many show numbers purchased that want to pick up back points free. There used to be a charge of \$20 per animal per show. This was brought up before to be reviewed but I never heard back. This is like selling a candy bar for \$1.00 that you have paid \$10 for. There are hours of work to pick up back points and it puts show recording and other member interests on delay. The ALSA is a volunteer organization, but also a business, you cannot keep giving "products" away and expect it to be successful.

Judge contracts have been mailed and insurance policies for Regionals that needed them have been applied for.

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Cheryl Ryberg
ALSA Office
Administrative Manager
607 California Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15202

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2011

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 14,915
Investment Account	67,794
Cash – Memorials	2,843

Total Current Assets \$ 85,552

Total Assets \$ 85,552

Equity \$ 85,552

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1. 07-24-11 Motion by Allen to have Larry Lewellyn as chair of the Ethics Committee. Seconded by Keith.
Allen-yes; Cathie-no; Keith-yes; Maryan- ; Stacie-no, Tom-no
07-27-11 Maryan called for discussion.

After the discussion, Maryan votes yes; Ken – Yes. Motion carried.

After this motion passed, Tom Parsons resigned from the BOD effective immediately. (8:23pm)

The remaining BOD called for a Fifteen (15) minute recess so Ken can place a call to Tom Parsons for his reconsideration.

Ken called the meeting back to order (8:45pm). Tom will not reconsider resigning.

Allen motioned to accept Tom's resignation. Keith seconded. Motion carried.

The BOD would like to thank Tom for his time and professionalism as Treasurer.

Ken established contact with Larry Lewellyn to join the meeting. Ken reported that Larry accepted the position and will be joining the meeting shortly.

Larry Lewellyn joined the meeting at 9:13 pm.

2. With respect to the Cathie Kindler sanctioning, the ALSA attorney has not responded to any inquiries or messages sent by Ken Forster

Maryan motioned to table the sanctioning until the BOD hears from the ALSA attorney. No second. Motion failed.

Ken will resend a certified letter to the ALSA attorney to try and get a response to the BOD's inquiry.

Ken recommended to postpone the sanctioning until a special meeting that will be held on August 23rd at 8:00pm EST. The BOD agreed.

New Business:

1. *The now vacant Treasurer's position will be addressed at the special meeting.*

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Stacie)
Chair:
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird
3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair:

*Allen motioned to have Larry replace him as the Ethics Committee liaison. Maryan seconded.
Motion carried.*

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair:

To: ALSA Board of Directors

Subject: ALSA Llama Fleece Committee Report for the August 2011

ALSA BOD Meeting

Date: August 4, 2011

I am pleased to inform you of the ALSA Llama Fleece Committee's current discussion points.

Old Business

The GN Fleece Show Committee continues to communicate with the GN Show Committee to confirm plans for the 2011 Grand National Llama Fleece Show. We truly appreciate all members of the committees and the ALSA Board who are working so diligently to make this year's show a great success. At this point, we are recommending a conference call between the members of the GN

Committee and the GN Fleece Show Committee (Geri Rutledge) so that final show details can be made. We are pleased to report that the judges and their arrangements have been completed.

On a sad note, the Llama Fleece Committee would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Sharon Beacham. A pioneer within the llama fiber community, a founding member of the ALSA Fiber Committee and one of the first ALSA Fiber Judges, Sharon passed away on July 31, 2011. She was a tireless worker, a wealth of information and a true *ALSA Fleece Show* supporter. A woman of many talents, her "llama fleece legacy" is and will live on as the *ALSA Llama Fleece Show*. In lieu of a memorial service, her family asks that we help to honor her by spending a few moments cherishing her in your thoughts on Saturday, August 13th at noon, MDST. Also, anyone who would like to share a favorite story, remembrance, or thought about Sharon, please send it to the following address, and they will be collected into a memory book for the whole family to share. (Lynne von Plutzner at: P.O. Box 21501/Boulder, CO 80308/ marianlynne@hotmail.com)

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: TBA)
Chair:
This was covered by Tom under Treasurer's report.
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon

The Grand Nationals report for August, 2011.

The Grand National committee have been planning a great show this year.

1. Show program will be on line August 20, 2011.
2. Costume contest Friday morning after opening ceremonies. Get those costumes ready.
3. Sub-junior showmanship classes again this year. (ages 4 yrs to 7 yrs)
4. Llama bean drop game.
5. Versatility class again this year—The animal must be entered in 1 halter class; 1 fiber class & 1 performance class
6. Dinner on Saturday night.

This is just part of fun that has been planned. Vendor spots are filling up & don't forget to make your hotel reservations early because this is a home game weekend.

Carol Ann Tallmon
Malcolm Tallmon

Committee chairs

The BOD received a request from the Grand National Committee to make an exception for the Northwest Regionals and to allow the Northwest Regional show to coincide with another show organization on a trial basis.

The BOD suggested that any other Regional Show interested in having a Regional Show or National Qualifier to coincide with another show organization, it must submit it's request in writing to Cheryl Juntilla for a BOD evaluation.

Maryan motioned to accept. Cathie seconded. Roll call vote: Allen-abstain; Cathie-yes; Keith-no; Larry-no; Maryan-yes; Stacie-yes. Motion carried.

The BOD gave Keith the approval to contact Cheryl Juntilla before the minutes are posted so she can notify Marilyn Milton of the decision.

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Wally Baker
No Report
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman
9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair:
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair:
No Report
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair:
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair:
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Mary Adams

Mary Adams is working on different venues for a Showring publication and Membership directory with advertising to cover most of the cost. Mary will need a membership list from the ALSA office.

It was noted to Maryan to have Mary Adams contact Leigh Snyder to get the program that she has in her possession.

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

Regional Championship Committee Report for August 9, 2011 Board Meeting

It appears that the "new email blast" referred to in the July 19, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes which was to be sent out by the ALSA office has not yet been sent. That e-mail was to clear up some of the confusion regarding the criteria for qualifying for the Grand National this year. When it is sent, we request that it also include a statement that information and entry forms for the Regional Championships can be found on the ALSA website, especially since the Rocky Mountain Regional (which is less than one month away) is still not listed on the ALSA Show Calendar.

Inquiries regarding the proposal for Great Lakes and Buckeye Regional Championships continue to be received and a FaceBook page has been established by backers of the proposal. Members who contact the Committee Chair with questions are referred to the Board's meeting minutes. One member who had already read the minutes wanted to know why the Board "deemed it inappropriate to . . . ask exhibitors from the Great Lakes to travel to another region to hold their Regional Championship show" but apparently feels it is appropriate for exhibitors from the Great Lakes Region who want to qualify for the Grand National to have to travel to another region to attend a "national qualifier." (The Badgerland "national qualifier" show was held on the same weekend as another ALSA show in the Great Lakes region, so it only benefitted a few of the members in that Region.) The Committee Chair has suggested that members with questions contact Board members directly. Most do not seem to feel that would be a productive use of their time, but do wish the Board would reconsider its decision on this proposal.

Cheryl Juntilla
Regional Committee Chair

Maryan motioned to accept Bob LaMorte's proposal for a double regional show, the Great Lakes Regional and the Buckeye Regional, with a minimal cost to ALSA due to Bob LaMorte's Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000.00) sponsorship. Cathie seconded. Motion carried.

The BOD authorized Keith to contact Cheryl Juntilla before the minutes were posted so she can notify Bob LaMorte of the approval to have a combined Regional.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
No Report

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair:

- No Report
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair:
No Report

There being nothing further to discuss, Cathie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Maryan seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 10:50pm EST.

E-Mail Motions:

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

- 1) 07-25-11 BOD approved July Minutes
Allen-yes, Cathie-yes, Keith-yes, Tom- , Trish-yes & Stacie-yes
July minutes approved.
- 2) 07-25-11 Motion by Maryan to approve Mary Adams as Chair of Publications Committee. Seconded by Cathie.
Allen- yes; Cathie-yes; Keith-yes; Maryan-yes; Stacie-yes; Tom-yes
Motion carried
- 3) 8/11/11 Larry motioned to approve Jim Doyle as the new Ethics Committee Chair.
Allen seconded. Motion carried.
- 4) 8/21/11 BOD approved August Minutes.

ALSA Special Meeting
August 23, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 8:01 pm EST by President, Ken Forster
(All times posted are EST, if not noted)

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Maryan Baker
Treasurer	
Secretary	Keith Wattigney
Board Members:	

Allen Davis
Cathie Kindler
Stacie Forshee
Larry Lewellyn

Proceedings:

1) Sanctioning of Cathie Kindler:

Maryan motioned to accept Tom Hayden's, the ALSA attorney, recommendation to postpone the censoring of Cathie Kindler till the next meeting and to rescind the previous motion on Cathie Kindler's sanctioning. Cathie seconded. Roll call vote: Allen-No; Cathie-Yes; Keith-No; Larry-No; Maryan-Yes; Stacie-Yes; Ken-Abstain; Motion died.

Maryan motioned to table the censoring of Cathie Kindler until the BOD receives the written opinion from Tom Hayden, a reevaluation by the Judge's Committee and an evaluation by the Ethics Committee. Larry seconded. Roll call vote: Allen-No; Cathie-Yes; Keith-Yes; Larry-Yes; Maryan- Yes; Stacie-Yes. Motion Carried.

- 2) Maryan motioned for Larry to act as the liaison for the Finance Committee and Patti Wattigney to be the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and the non board member Treasurer. Allen seconded. Motion carried.
- 3) Maryan motioned for Patti Morgan to act as the Chairperson of the Fleece Committee. Larry seconded. Motion carried.
- 4) Larry motioned for Paul Schwartz and Margaret Henry to be added to the Ethics Committee. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

The next regular Board of Director's meeting will be held on September 13, 2011, at 8:00pm.

There being nothing further to discuss, Maryan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Allen seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:36pm EST.

**ALSA Regular Meeting
September 20, 2011
Continuation of Meeting From September 13, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm EST by President, Ken Forster
(All times posted are EST, if not noted)

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Maryan Baker
Secretary	Keith Wattigney
Board Members:	

Allen Davis
Marilyn Nenni
Larry Lewellyn

Absent:	Stacie Forshee	
	Office Manager:	Cheryl Ryberg
	Treasurer (Non Board)	Patti Wattigney

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 8:00pm EST
National Face to Face BOD Meeting: October 27, 2011 at 8:00 am CST

Marilyn Nenni has accepted the remainder of Cathie Kindler's term

Old Business:

- 1) Maryan motioned to accept the September 13, 2011 minutes. Larry seconded. Motion carried.
- 2) Maryan motioned to award two (2) 1,000 scholarships to the youth that were picked by the committee. Allen seconded. Roll Call Vote: Allen-Yes; Larry-No; Marilyn-Yes; Maryan-yes; Keith-Yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Larry motioned that if a member renews their 2012 ALSA membership by October 31, 2011, the member will be able to buy one (1) ALSA recording number and receive two (2) free ALSA recording numbers. This offer will expire December 31, 2011. Allen seconded. Motion carried.
- 4) Larry motioned to replace Stacie as Youth Committee liaison. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.
- 5) Keith motioned for Larry to be the new liaison for the Youth Committee. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

- 6) Larry motioned that Susan Leslie, Lavernia, TX, to head up the silent auction for the 2011 Grand National Scholarship auction. Marilyn seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

- 1) Question on Ultimate Youth Award
Please take a look at p. 123 in the ALSA Handbook (Q, Section D), the requirements for the ALSA Ultimate Youth Award. The requirements list 5 different items – two of these items are the same. Besides that small error, these are the requirements for the former ALSA Youth Elite Award that the BOD did away with in the January, 2010 minutes, not the Ultimate Youth Award. The Elite Award was approved in April 2008 and was to go into effect January of 2009. When these youth awards were questioned in November of 2009, it was discovered that the Office had never implemented the award. The BOD then voted to do away with it in January, 2010. The Ultimate Youth Award was still to continue with the same requirement as previously stated. Those requirements were and still are:
- a. Six first places in Showmanship
 - b. Six first places in Obstacle
 - c. Two first places in Public Relations OR two first places in Pack.

Please have the requirements for the Ultimate Level Youth Award corrected in the online version of the Handbook and confirm that the ALSA Office is figuring the award correctly.

Copied from Jan 12, 2010 minutes:

Motion by Ken- to accept Ultimate Youth Award as Top Youth Award with the rules as printed in the present handbook.

2nd by Cathie

Carried Unanimously

The BOD will have the Handbook Committee make the corrections.

Committee Reports

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
No Report
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair: Lougene Baird
Allen motioned for Marilyn to be the new liaison for the Election Committee. Keith seconded. Motion carried.
3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Jim Doyle

Here is the name of my other committee member-run by the board for ok
Ellen Goldsmith
1642 Lombardy Road
Gardnerville, NV 89410
775-782-4242
Jim Doyle

09-19-11 Larry motioned to accept Ellen Goldsmith as Ethics committee member. Maryan seconded. Motion carried

4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Patty Morgan
5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair:
This was covered during the September 13, 2011 meeting.
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carolann Tallman

It is fast approaching "Mardi Gras in the Mid-west" and the committee is working on ideas and solutions like mad.

We are not having a dinner this year and that is going to save us on renting the big room. Friday will be a free night so that everyone can get rested from their trips and be ready to show. We will have a cash bar cocktail party for a chance for everyone to get together on Saturday after the classes are completed.

We have arranged for two sets of bleachers to be moved to the opposite side in hopes of having more of the exhibitors watch.

There are new Mardi Gras decorations (donated by Keith and Patti Wattigney) which should change things and make it more festive.

We are working on plans for presenting the awards at the opening ceremony (if you remember, we did this several years ago) in lieu of not having the dinner.

This year we have opened up the sponsorships for class and division categories and hopefully will bring in some more premium money.

Other than these things, we are progressing with the plans that have been reported thus far.

Thanks,

Carol Ann Tallmon

Larry dismissed himself from the call – 9:25pm EST.

Maryan motioned to recognize the Harvest Festival in Santa Rosa, CA as a National Qualifier Show. Marilyn seconded. Motion carried. (Larry had already dismissed himself from the call).

In reviewing the Handbook, I think I see what Larry is referring to. There is error in the classes listed for the Grand National Shows. The classes specified for the Regional Shows appears to be correct, so I suggest that we take that list on p. 24 and apply it to the National Show Class List on p. 27. However I

still see a couple of tiny points that could be clarified on p. 24. It would appear as follows (suggested changes in red):

1. All four halter wool division classes
2. All Non-Breeder halter classes
3. Get of Sire and Produce of Dam classes
4. Adult Showmanship
5. All approved Performance Division classes (Master, Advanced, and Novice) must be offered and must be held.
6. Youth Showmanship with three ALSA age divisions
7. Youth Obstacle with three ALSA age divisions
8. Youth Public Relations with three ALSA **age** divisions
9. Youth Pack with three ALSA age divisions
10. Youth Judging (**omit the word "contest"**) with three **ALSA** age divisions
11. Open Pleasure Driving
12. Obstacle Driving
13. Advanced Alpaca Obstacle, Pack, and Public Relations
14. Youth Alpaca Obstacle, Pack, and Public Relations
- 15. Shorn Llama Fiber**
- 16. Walking Llama Fiber**

Would this solve the problem?

Marilyn

*Marilyn motioned to put the information from page 24, Section 3, A with the above red corrections (**minus #15 & #16**) to replace Part F, Section 2, B, page 27. Part F, Section 3, page 29 should have the addition of*

- 15. Shorn Llama Fiber**
- 16. Walking Llama Fiber**

This would make all three Class Lists consistent. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Wally Baker

Handbook Committee Report: re. 9/13/11 Meeting

I am presently updating the ALSA 2011 Handbook with most recent changes approved by the board.

I respectfully request that Holly Russell, M6957, be added to Handbook Committee.

Wally Baker,
Chair

Maryan motioned to accept Holly Russell on the Handbook Committee. Marilyn seconded. Motion carried.

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

Judges Committee Report.

The JC asks for the BOD to approve Cindy Ruckman for the Judges Committee.

We would ask the BOD for a rule change. The committee has discussed this rule and feels the wording change would

help clarify the Rule. Section 10 # 5 D.
Intentionally skipping an obstacle or specific requirement.
We would like it to read: **Intentionally skipping an obstacle** .

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Thank you
Judges Committee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Barb Harris

Allen motioned to approve Cindy Ruckman for the Judges Committee. Marilyn seconded. Motion passed.

Allen motioned to accept the clarification of Rule, Section 10, Number 5D to read – Intentionally skipping an obstacle. Keith seconded. Motion carried.

Allen also reported that the Judges Committee received two written complaints on two different Judges. The Judges Committee will respond per ALSA Handbook.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Mary Adams

Maryan motioned to add Paige McGrath to the committee. Keith seconded. Motion carried.

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla

Regional Championship Committee Report for September 13, 2011 Board Meeting

The Rocky Mountain Regional Championship was held on Labor Day weekend. I don't have exact numbers yet, but halter entries were up from last year and almost every performance exhibitor who entered the LOCC Fall Show also entered the Regional Championship. In addition to Colorado, exhibitors came from Kansas, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and Texas. Participants enjoyed a potluck barbecue dinner on Saturday and there was much camaraderie and good spirits.

We are getting excellent service from the new ribbon company, with deliveries being made promptly and with lower shipping and handling fees. We anticipate that total Regional Championship ribbon costs will be significantly lower this year. This is not only because of the change in vendor, but because regional volunteers are doing extra work to refurbish ribbons and also because certificates are being awarded to the Top Five in each division instead of ribbons.

The Board's decision to grant an exception so that the Northwestern Regional Championship could be held in conjunction with a show sanctioned by another association was appreciated, but unfortunately came too late for show organizers to make necessary schedule and logistical changes. The Board's approval of the proposal for the Buckeye and Great Lakes Regional Championships to be held on the same weekend in Valparaiso, Indiana is also much appreciated and we understand plans for those two shows are progressing well.

Cheryl Juntilla
Regional Championship Committee Chair

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair:

Allen motioned for Marilyn to be the new liaison for the Web Site Committee and for Cheryl Ryberg to give Marilyn the user name and password to keep the ALSA website updated, with the exception of the show calendar and show results. Keith seconded. Motion Carried.

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Penny Davidson

Any Other Business:

Letters from members:

Two letters were received from members. The letters have been sent to the proper Committee(s) for review.

Allen motioned to post with an email blast and on the website that the executive secretary position of ALSA will be available to ALSA members for the 2012 position. Keith seconded. Motion carried.

The email blast and website information will contain the following: For the applicant to submit a resume' along with a contract amount by October 21, 2011. The resume's should be mailed to Ken Forster, 8911 Highway 32, Forman, ND, 58032 or emailed to kforster@drtel.net.

Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Maryan seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 11:03pm EST

Subsequent Email Motions:

09-28-11

Email Motion by Larry: I make motion to appoint Susan Leslie, TX as the new Youth Committee Chair. Marilyn seconded. Motion Carried.

ALSA Board of Directors Minutes Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Call to Order: 8:08 PM Eastern Standard Time

Roll Call:

Ken Forster, ALSA President
Maryan Baker, ALSA Vice-President
Allen Davis, Board Member
Larry Lewellyn, Board Member
Marilyn Nenni, Board Member
Stacey Forshee, Board Member
Patti Wattigney Treasurer (Non-Board Member)
Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Office Manager

Absent: Keith Wattigney, ALSA Secretary

Next ALSA Board Meeting: Face to Face at ALSA GN - October 27, 2011, 8:00 AM CST.

ALSA Annual Membership Meeting: October 28, 2011, 7:00 AM CST

Nov Meeting: Nov. 08, 2011, 8:00 EST

Maryan documenting the meeting minutes in the absence of the ALSA Secretary, Keith W.

ALSA Treasurer, Patti advised that ALSA Board Member Keith W. was involved in an emergency project with his business, therefore unable to make the meeting. She was uncertain if he would be able to join the meeting later in the evening.

Treasurer's Report

October Treasurer Report

- 1) Adult Membership is slightly up from this time last year.
- 2) The Youth Membership is still down compared to last year.
- 3) The total ALSA Show Fee is down compared to last year, but Animal Recording Numbers are continually being purchased.
- 4) The Central and Rocky Mountain Regional Income has been received. The expense reports are just now arriving at the office. It looks like both the Central and Rocky Mountain Regional have made a profit this year.
- 5) Overall Income is down by 22.8% from last year, but Overall Expenses are down 46% from last year. I did not include the write off of the show program.
- 6) As of September 30, 2011 there is a net income of 9,287.88, but the Grand National bills are still ahead.

Balance Sheet

As of September 30, 2011

Current Assets

Cash \$ 20,311

Investment Account 67,956

Cash – Memorials \$ 2,850

Total Current Assets 91,117

Total Assets \$ 91,117

Equity \$ 91,117

Cash Balance on Hand August 31, 2011 \$ 76,342

Receipts

Membership Revenue \$ 700

Show Fee Revenue 3,910

Grand National Revenue 5,150

Judge Revenue 0

Regional Revenue 7,760

Motion made by Maryan to accept the Treasurer's Report.
Second by Larry to accept the Treasurer's Report.
The Motion Passed.

During Discussion Larry advised that Rocky Mountain Region made a Net Profit of \$ 1,544.83 and that Central Region made a Net Profit of \$2,950.35.

Treasurer, Patti left the call following the financial discussion with the Board.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Membership form for 2011 is attached for approval. Forms to be mailed by early November.
Suggest an email blast before forms are printed to encourage members to renew and take advantage of animal number offer.

We are very busy here with all of the summer shows coming in. The office will be printing certificates once regional shows have been received and entered.

Cheryl advised Board that money was coming into the ALSA office for the upcoming GN Show.

The Board discussed the ALSA Membership Drive - Information to be released immediately per agreement of the ALSA Board.

Motion made by Marilyn that new or renewal ALSA Memberships purchased by October 31, 2011, will allow the members to use the special offer of "Buy One, Get Two Free" ALSA numbers through December 31, 2012. This applies to both Adult and Youth Memberships. A Second to the Motion made by Larry. The Motion Passed.

The Board discussed that any Committee can send out an ALSA E-Blast as long as the text of the proposed information is approved by the ALSA Board.

The following items were discussed with Office Manager, Cheryl during meeting.

- 1) Youth Top 10 still not posted. This matter was discussed and the majority of the 2010 Youth Top Ten have been posted.
- 2) Per Contract Agreement a Copy of Data Base information is to be made available or sent to the ALSA President at least once per month. Accessing problems discussed. ALSA President, Cheryl and Board discussed the problems incurred and the requirement that all Data Back-Up Information will be sent to ALSA President monthly. Office will comply.
- 3) Questions about Carbonite system. Board discussion with Office Manager, reference reviewing the current stored information, responsibilities and access to the Data in Quick Books and Data in our records data base. The difficulties incurred retrieving information discussed.
- 4) The Board and Cheryl discussed complaints received from several members. The complaints reviewed pertained to problems members incurred in the accurate documentation of animal show accomplishments achieved by former owners. Apparently under the current system when the owner of record changes, the past show record accomplishments are changed as well. The new owner is then listed as the exhibitor in the show record documentation even for past shows. Since the new owner was not the owner of record at of the animal at the time it was requested that the records be amended to reflect accurately owner at time of show.

Cheryl advised that the current system which designates an ALSA Show Number to an animal was designed to reflect the show record for an animal's accomplishments. The show record stays with the animal and not the owner or past owner. The current owner of record is the only person listed in the animal's ALSA Show record.

If an animal changes ownership the new owner's name would be listed even for past ALSA Show accomplishments prior to the new ownership. Cheryl stated that she would ask the

ALSA computer programmer if the past owners could be listed as well as the current owners so that this problem can be rectified to more accurately document show accomplishments.

5) 2011 Hillsdale Hobo Show Results.

Problems incurred in recording of aforementioned show results were discussed.

ALSA Shows that have had similar problems in accurate recording also discussed.

Cheryl advised the information accuracy problems will be rectified by Office.

Regarding a member letter to the BOD, prior to Cheryl leaving the call, the Board discussed N/A Numbers and Animal Recording Fees.

Information to be sent to Show Management and Policy and Planning Committees for input.

Old Business:

Item (1)

Review of Handbook - Membership

Motion made by Marilyn to amend ALSA Handbook - Part A, Section 1.B.2 and 3. Second made by Allen. Motion Passed. Handbook amendment (**In bold**).

Part A

Section 1. Membership

A. Types

1. Regular (up to 2 Adults, 1 vote)
2. Youth. Open to youth who are 18 years of age and under as of January 1. (See additional details in Part M. Section 4.)
3. Lifetime (up to 2 adults, 1 vote)

B. Eligibility and Rights

1. Membership in ALSA is open to anyone.
2. Regular and Lifetime members receive a membership card and have the right to vote, run for office, work toward becoming an approved Judge, receive **access to a Handbook, Membership Directory, Showring**, and participate in ALSA awards programs.
3. Youth members receive a membership card and **access to a Handbook**, and have all the rights above except for the right to vote, run for office, or enter the judging program.

Item (2)

Llama Fiber Committee Chair; Patti Morgan was previously approved by the Board, she has declined the position. It was noted in discussion that since the Llama Fleece Committee is in charge of the GN Llama Shorn and Walking Fleece Show, it is more practical running on the same time frames as the GN and Regional Committees. 2011 GN Llama Fleece Committee Chair, Cindy Ruckman and Fleece Show Superintendent, Geri Rutledge to remain in place in order to keep continuity for the GN Show and upcoming Llama Fleece Clinic.

Motion made by Marilyn to amend ALSA Handbook - Part B, Section 1.B.2 to include Llama Fiber Committee one-year term to commence December 1. Second by Allen. Motion Passed

Handbook amendment (In bold):

Part B, Section 1.B.2: All committee members will serve for a period of one year to coincide with the installment of new board with the exception of Grand National, Regional and **Llama Fiber Committee**, whose terms will begin December 1.

Item (3)

Letter was sent by ALSA President to Cheryl Ryberg regarding the Opening for the Office Manager Position for competitive bid.

Item (4)

Upcoming opening for ALSA Officer Manager Position discussed. Following is ALSA Office Manager Announcement.. Motion made by Allen to amend to reflect changes as requested by Marilyn. Second made by Marilyn. The motion Passed. Notice will be disseminated through e-mail blast.

ALSA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY POSITION OPEN

Announcement of Open Bid for Independent Contractor

The Alpaca and Llama Show Association, a non-stock corporation, operating under Chapter 181 of the Wisconsin statutes, herein referred to as "ALSA" is currently seeking qualified applicants for the position of ALSA Executive Secretary. This position is an independent contractor position.

- Opening date for the available position is January 1, 2012.

- Dates for services under this Independent Contractor Bid: January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Those interested in this position are to mail their resume by October 21, 2011 outlining qualifications and requirements to:

Ken Forster, ALSA President

8911 Highway 32

Forman, ND 58032 or email to: kforster@drtel.net

ALSA Executive Secretary Requirements:

The ALSA Executive Secretary is responsible for a variety of job functions related to the administration of the ALSA Show Organization and the ALSA show records.

For this contract period the total dollars paid will be ascertained from a combination of the lowest bidding and the independent contractor possessing the necessary qualifications to maintain the required standards of the ALSA Show organization. The hired Independent Contractor will be paid in equal monthly installments on the 1st of each month.

The current independent contractor has knowledge of the following:

Quick Books 2010 Access

Constant Contact Publisher Program

Go-To-Meetings WorldPay Credit Card

Carbonite Data System Back-Up

The independent contractor bidder will need to indicate in the bid the hours available to answer business calls Monday through Friday.

The following information will be part of the signed agreement with the hired Independent Contracting Bidder. The following should help the bidder in understanding current responsibilities.

1. Contractor agrees and does hereby enter into this Agreement with ALSA agreeing to perform the work of Executive Secretary outlined in Schedule "A attached hereto. Furthermore, Contractor agrees to bear the cost of the use of office space, furniture, computers and equipment. It is understood that should Contractor employ additional personnel to complete work set forth in Schedule "A", all such costs shall be the responsibility of Contractor.

2. It is agreed that ALSA, by majority vote of its Board of Directors, may request Contractor to undertake some work separate from and in addition to those set forth in Schedule "A".

3. It is understood and agreed that ALSA shall have the entire exclusive and worldwide right, title and interest in all works, matters, computer databases, and other information maintained, produced

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or created by Contractor on behalf of ALSA including, but not limited to, all animal point records, youth point records, membership records, show records, judge's records, minutes, and financial records. Within 15 days of receipt of written notice, approved by majority vote of the ALSA Board of Directors to provide such information, Contractor shall forward computer backups to the President of ALSA. Contractor hereby sells, transfers, disclaims and sets over unto ALSA the entire exclusive and worldwide right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid works, matters, databases and other information now or hereafter maintained, produced or created for ALSA during the term of this agreement.

4. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not be deemed to create an employment, agency, partnership or joint venture relationship between ALSA and Administrative Manager, but solely an independent contractor relationship. As an independent contractor, the Executive Secretary shall be solely responsible for any and all reports, taxes or other administrative or financial matters required of an independent contractor by any federal, state or local law or authority, Contractor shall indemnify ALSA against all claims and demands resulting from the failure of Administrative Manager to comply with the provisions of this section. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Independent contractor, from providing services to other persons. Moreover as an independent contractor, ALSA shall not be responsible for providing Executive Secretary with benefits or moneys, (including Insurance of any kind), other than as expressly set forth in this agreement.

5. ALSA agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold Contractor harmless from and against all claims, liabilities, causes of action, expenses, losses or damages and/or attorney/s fees with respect to acts done or materials produced or furnished by Contractor with the direction, control or other such

authorization of ALSA. Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless ALSA, its officers and directors from and against all claims, liabilities, causes of action, expenses, losses or damages, and/or attorney's fee with respect to acts done or materials produced or furnished by Contractor in a negligent, illegal or tortuous manner, or without the direction, control or other such authorization of ALSA.

6. Any renewal or extension of this Agreement past its termination date of December 31, 2012 must be approved by majority vote of the ALSA Board of Directors.

SCHEDULE "A"

WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR ALSA

General:

1. Complete work as specified by the ALSA BOD and to do any other jobs deemed necessary (by the ALSA Board) to fulfill the requirements of this position. All services will conform to the specifications and instructions of ALSA BOD and are subject to ALSA BOD acceptance and approval.
2. Maintain regular office hours.
3. Answer procedural questions or direct policy questions to the appropriate board or committee member.
4. Complete, manage, or assist in the listed, but not limited to, responsibilities below.

Process Memberships:

1. Assist with & process annual membership renewal
2. Process new and renewed memberships
3. Enter member data in computer
4. Produce membership letter, card and label
5. Send letter and membership card to member
6. Arrange membership information to be provided to Webmaster
7. Laminate Membership Cards
8. Coordinate any specified mailings.

New Business:

1) Request from Chair of the ALSA Regional Committee for Payment Approval of Regional Ribbons invoice and postage reimbursement. The Board discussed the request.

Motion made by Larry to approve the request of the Regional Committee Chair for reimbursement for her expenditures and payment of the Regional ribbon invoice. Second by Maryan. The Motion Passed.

2) Letter from member requesting Performance rule change discussed. The request was referred to the ALSA Performance Committee for review.

3) Letter from member regarding llama being exhibited in a novice performance division and also be shown in Special Needs Class. Board discussed and noted past practice of allowing llamas used in Special needs to also participate in other Performance Divisions. This was referred to the ALSA Performance Committee for review and possible handbook clarification.

4) What qualifies Cart Driving, Produce of Dam and Get of Sire for Nationals?
Board discussed and the Cart Driving qualifications referred to the ALSA Performance Committee for clarification.

5) Member requested a refund from last years GN be applied to this years show entries. Ken to find out more information from Sharon Carrier. The request was tabled until more information received.

6) Member sent letter to Board requesting a waiver of GN qualification. With the consideration of fairness to all ALSA members, this Member request was denied.

7) Letter from ALSA Show Superintendent requesting that an ALSA Apprentice Judge perform the duties as the second Judge for Performance in an ALSA Sanctioned Show. The Board discussed this matter. The Show Superintendent's request was denied, as the Apprentice did not meet the Handbook requirements.

8) Member concern regarding Non-ALSA Members receiving Grand or Reserve Championships at ALSA Sanctioned Shows thus preventing members from qualifying for the Grand National Show. This was referred to Policy and Planning and Show Management for input.

Committee Reports

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair: Lougene Baird
3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Jim Doyle
4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman

Motion by Larry to approve Cindy Ruckman as Fiber Chair and Patti Morgan as a Committee member. Second by Maryan. Motion passed.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair:
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon
7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Wally Baker

Dear Board:

Handbook Committee will complete editing of 17th edition of ALSA Handbook upon receiving final changes approved by the Board for this year. At that time, Committee will submit finalized handbook to the board for approval and dissemination to the membership.

Wally Baker

Handbook Committee, Chair

8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

What changes are being made by the Performance Committee? Dont they need to come through the Judges committee? Is there a Judge on that committee? According to the handbook , 1 member must be a certified Alsa judge. Also the handbook states that 2. Purpose: Make recommendations to the BOD and **Appropriate Committees** regarding approved performance Classes, optional performance classes and future considerations pertaining to the above. These are some of the questions the Judges Committee has.

Thank You

Doug Overman

Judges Committee Chair

Board discussed. Re: Judge's Committee question no recent rule changes have been sent from Performance Committee.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Eileen Ditsler

I have been asked to take over the performance committee chair. I am happy to do so.

I would welcome anyone who wants to be part of the committee to join us. If you know of anyone interested, please let me know. At this time Barb Harris, Ellen Goldsmith, Melanie McMurry, Steve Katzakian, Brock Royal are on the committee. I would like to add Kathy Nichols to the group.
Eileen Ditsler

Motion by Maryan to approve Eileen Ditsler as Chair and members listed in the committee report as members for the Committee. Second by Larry. Motion passed.

12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair:
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Mary Adams

Re: ALSA Membership Directory

At this time Committee is working with Southwest Printing Co. which is located in Cortez, Colorado.

We would like approval for the following so we can go forward with the solicitation of membership advertisements for the ALSA Membership Directory. Upon approval we will start accepting checks for the ads. All Ads must be print ready and will need to be sent directly to Southwest Printing.

Size of Directory - 6" x 9" (this is the most cost effective for printing).
Price for Ads (the following are proposals)
Full page (inside front cover of directory, 2 pages available) - \$600.00 each.
Full Page (back of directory, 1 page available) - \$650.00
Full Page (inside back cover, 2 pages available) - \$600.00 each.
Full Page (where available inside directory) \$550.00
1/2 Page (where available inside directory) \$300.00
Business Card (where available inside directory) \$75.00
Listing of Organization/ Clubs with address, phone and website - \$50.00 each
Listing in Breeders and Services - \$50.00 each listing

Request no charge for Listing Emergency Veterinary Information by State.

We still need a list from the office with names, addresses and phone numbers of members. As soon as that is received we can start putting together everything. The Board will be able to review the draft prior to actual printing.

Southwest Printing possesses a bulk mail permit.

Board discussed and will allow the Publications Committee flexibility if the aforementioned advertisement prices need to be lowered. The advertisements in the ALSA Membership Directory need to pay for costs of printing and distribution. Understanding that financial stipulation the project can go forward.

Motion by Larry to approve printing of the ALSA Membership Directory with the stipulation that the advertisements cover costs of printing and distribution. Second to the motion by Maryan.
Motion passed.

16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair:

Website Committee – October, 2011

I'm working on obtaining committee members and also updating the ALSA website. Updates so far have been mainly regarding to the ALSA Grand National Show. Please send all new updates for the website.

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Susan Leslie

The following E-mail Motions and or actions occurred following the previous Board Meeting.

09-21-11 Motion by Allen:

I would like to make a motion from Show Management Committee Chair to add Sharon Carrier and Carol Ann Tallmon to the Committee.

Maryan seconded.

Motion carried.

09-26-11 Marilyn: I MAKE A MOTION that two enthusiastic promotional National Show email blasts be sent out every week, starting with the coming week of Sept. 25, 2011 and continuing on until after the Grand National Show.

Allen Seconded.

Motion carried.

10-03-11 Larry: Motion to approve e-blast for Youth Scholarship Silent Auction.

Marilyn Seconded.

Marilyn - yes; Larry - yes; Keith - yes; Allen- yes; Maryan- yes; Stacie - absent;

10-04-11 Motion carried.

10-03-11 Allen: Motion post Fiber Clinic via E-Blast - As soon as possible.

Marilyn seconded.

Allen - yes; Marilyn - yes; Larry - yes; Keith - yes; Maryan - yes; Stacie - absent;

10-04-11 Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:07 PM EST

**ALSA Board of Directors - Face to Face Meeting Minutes
Lincoln, Nebraska - Thursday, October 27, 2011**

Call to Order: 8:28 AM Central Standard Time

Roll Call:

Ken Forster, ALSA President
Maryan Baker, ALSA Vice-President
Allen Davis, Board Member
Larry Lewellyn, Board Member
Marilyn Nenni, Board Member
Stacey Forshee, Board Member
Patti Wattigney, Treasurer (Non-Board Member)
Cheryl Ryberg, ALSA Office Manager

Absent: Keith Wattigney, ALSA Secretary
Stacey Forshee, Board Member
Patti Wattigney, Treasurer (Non-Board Member)

Maryan documenting the meeting minutes in the absence of the ALSA Secretary, Keith W.

Treasurer's Report: [\(Insert report\)](#)

Old Business:

1. Ken advised Marilyn that the October 11, 2011 Minutes were approved via the email and that they could be posted.
2. Request received from member regarding applying a refund from 2010 GN toward her 2011 GN entries. Motion made by Larry to allow the credit refund from the member's 2010 GN to be applied to the member's 2011 GN Show entries. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
3. Discussion by Board Members regarding the distribution of sponsorship money for GN Premiums. Motion made by Marilyn to set premium at \$100.00 per class, with payout at \$50.00 for 1st Place, \$30.00 for 2nd Place and \$20.00 for 3rd Place. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
4. ALSA Executive Secretary Applicants discussed by board. It was decided that two Special ALSA Board Meetings would be set up on November 8, 2011, and November 10, 2011, so that the applicants could be interviewed via conference phone calls. The interview procedure was discussed. Additional dates to be added if needed. The November 8th and November 10th meetings are set for the phone interviews with the applicants. The next regular ALSA Board Meeting is set for November 22, 2011.
5. Board discussion of the 2011 Regional Qualifiers that were implemented in April of 2011. Motion made by Maryan that the Regional Qualifier Show option not be continued for 2012. Second by Marilyn. Motion Passed.
6. Discussion of 2011 ALSA Regional Shows. With elimination of ALSA paying premiums, all of the ALSA Regional Shows were very successful. Board decided to lower regional show entry fees for 2012. Motion made by Maryan to lower the 2012 Regional fees for Halter, Novice, Advanced and Master Performance, Driving Division, Showmanship and any optional classes to \$25.00 per class with a flat rate option of \$80.00 per animal to include all classes entered with a single animal. Youth Class rates will be \$20.00 per class with a flat rate option of \$70.00 per youth for multiple classes. Second by Larry. Motion passed.

7. Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon, ALSA GN Superintendents joined the meeting and discussed facilities with the board. Malcolm advised he was working to negotiate some of the costs regarding stalls at the Lancaster Event Center. Malcolm advised that he was making a deposit to hold the Lancaster Event Center for 2012. The ALSA Board agreed unanimously that ALSA will have a 2012 GN Show and that it was a good idea to place a deposit for the 2012 GN in Lincoln, NE. The committee will also be investigating other possible facilities for ALSA's use.

The distribution of show premiums was discussed with Malcolm and Carol Ann. Checks will be mailed to all of the winners.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Cheryl advised that she needed authorization to pay 2nd deposit for the GN facility.

1. Motion by Allen to approve Cheryl Ryberg to issue check for the 2nd payment to the Lancaster Event Center. Second by Marilyn. Motion passed.
2. Discussion of the Youth Top Ten. Cheryl reported that 2010 Top Ten have been posted. Top 2009 and 2007 need to be uploaded. Estimated time frame is November 15, 2011.
3. Discussion with Cheryl regarding requirement to send copy of Data Base Program to ALSA President.
4. Discussion of complaints regarding animal ownership changed in past show results. Cheryl advised that she was working with computer programmer to set up system so that owner changes will be listed in the system. The changes proposed would allow a listing of prior owners. This change would resolve the member complaints as currently only the current owner of record is listed in the ALSA Data Base. Per Cheryl the changes to the system will allow a query of past owners, shows they attended and any awards or points they may have received. Implementation of this data change should resolve the problems associated with the complaints received from ALSA members regarding the data being changed when a new owner is listed for a llama or alpaca under the current method
5. Discussion with Cheryl regarding ALSA Membership form on .org and updating form.
6. Discussion with Cheryl regarding inactive members listed on the online membership directory. Since memberships are received at different times ALSA members that pay early for 2012 Membership renewal and the methodology used for documenting the data was also discussed.
7. Discussion of Software program that is ALSA property. Certified Letter will be sent to the member involved since the BOD has had no response to requests to return the software to ALSA.
8. Discussion of ALSA Property. Cheryl advised that ALSA has a lap top in the office which is approximately 10 years old. There is also a tape recorder that has been used to record Board Meetings. The New Database Program that ALSA was working on was discussed. Cheryl did not recall receiving a workable copy of the program. Marilyn expressed concern that ALSA Office was had received a copy of the database program and now it can't be located. Board requested Cheryl to report back by November 15, 2011, with information on copy of the Data.

New Business

1. Letter from non-ALSA Member discussed. Board agreed that Non-Member's show placing should be recorded in the ALSA Show Data Base as the non-Member did pay a non-Member fee for showing at the ALSA Sanctioned.

2. Marilyn discussed her vision for an ALSA Plan of Action for moving ALSA forward in the following areas; Membership, Communication, Accurate Show Results, Stability in ALSA, Handbook, Membership Directory, Showing Magazine, Service to the Membership, Positive Plan for Service and Correctness for the Office. This was tabled for the November 22, 2011 Meeting.
3. Larry discussed Ethics and Protest Committee functions and the possibility of combining these two committees. Motion by Larry to combine duties of Ethics and Protest Committees. Chair will be Jim Doyle with Keith as liaison. Second by Allen. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed - No Report
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair: Lougene Baird
Election Chair requested that the following committee members be approved:
Committee Members: Sherry Adamcyk, Jerri Dunn
Motion made by Marilyn to approve Sherry Adamcyk and Jerry Dunn as committee members. Second by Allen. Motion Passed.
3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Jim Doyle - No report
4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman - No Report
5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: No Report
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallmon
Request from the Grand National Committee to purchase a new 2012 ShoWorks program for \$239.00. This is less expensive than the cost to renew the old for \$350.
Motion made by Maryan to approve the new 2012 ShoWorks Program for the 2012 GN.
Second by Larry. Motion Passed.
7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Wally Baker
Review handbook changes already approved for 2012. All Handbook changes received to date have been made. The final index and page formatting has not been done as this will change if any other Handbook changes are made.

Discussion:
The Board looked at prototype of ALSA Handbook to a binder inserted format so that cost savings could be implemented. Significant savings to ALSA printing costs.
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman - No Report
9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
Marilyn Nenni to be new Liaison to the Membership Committee
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair: Carolyn Myers - No Report

11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Maryan)

Chair: Eileen Ditsler - No Report

12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)

Chair: Barb Harris

ALSA Policy and Planning Committee Report

October 2011

There have been items presented to the Policy and Planning Committee for discussion and input. The following are the items and the feelings of the Policy and Planning Committee:

Item 1: The question has been brought up if all people showing at ALSA shows should be required to have ALSA numbers or should the Non-Member fee be raised?

At this time the committee doesn't feel that attendance at ALSA shows should be restricted to ALSA members only. We should be encouraging new llama owners rather than placing boundaries in their way. Also with the economy Non-member fees should not be raised.

Item 2: Should all animals showing at ALSA shows be required to have a recording number?

The committee feels that ALSA numbers should only be required for animals showing in an ALSA Regional or as it now stands at the ALSA Grand Nationals.

Item 3: Review of the Estes Park show complaints and suggest any rule changes concerning that issue.

The committee feels that judges must be more consistent with moving animals that fail to fit the class they are currently showing in. It is also the belief of the committee that some type of rule be in place to prevent "class shopping" by exhibitors.

Item 4: Concerns youth. At last year's Nationals a youth was given approval to use another animal because his had died. It turned out that the animal he used was a performance champion and the youth placed very well at Nationals. We would like the rule reviewed concerning youth and substitute animal for Nationals.

The committee believes that this rule should remain as written. There is no way of knowing that the animal the youth originally had was not of comparable standards as the one it was replaced with. If rules are made restricting the purchase and subsequent showing of a performance champion animal by a youth there would be a precedence established where by exhibitors of any age could be restricted from buying and exhibiting performance champions or halter champions. These types of rules could lead to declines in llama sales at a time when llama breeders/owners are already struggling with lagging sales.

**Respectfully submitted,
ALSA Policy and Planning Committee
Barbara Harris – Chair
Patti Morgan
Tracy Weaver
Michelle Batt**

13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Need to fill - No Report

14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill - No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Maryan)
Chair: Mary Adams - No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Juntilla
a. Review of October report received too late for meeting.
17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz
Board accepted resignation of Bill Schultz as chair.
During the Board discussion Larry left the meeting.
18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)
Chair:
19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)
Chair: Susan Leslie

Other Business:

EMAIL MOTIONS AND/OR ACTIONS:

- 10-14-11 Approved email titled News from Nationals
- 10-15-11 Approved email titled ALSA News
- 10-22-11 Approved email titled ALSA news Update
- 10-24-11 Approved eblast titled Never to Late
- 10-24-11 Approve eblast membership 3 days left
- 10-24-11 Approve ALSA Board minutes

Motion by Allen to adjourn the ALSA Board meeting at 6:00 PM Central Time.
Second by Maryan. Motion Passed

Regular Monthly Meeting of ALSA BOD Meeting Minutes: November 22, 2011

The regular monthly ALSA BOD meeting was called to order by President, Ken Forster at 8:10 p.m. EST

ROLL CALL:

Members present:

Ken Forster – President
Maryan Baker – Vice President
Marilyn Nenni – Board Member
Larry Lewellyn – Board Member
Allen Davis – Board Member
Staci Forshey – Board Member

Members Not Present:

Keith Wattigney - Secretary
Patti Wattigney – Treasurer
Cheryl Ryberg – Office Manager

PROCEEDINGS:

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 p.m. EST

Approval Of Minutes: October 27, 2011

Minutes were approved by email and posted on the website.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patti Wattigney

Current Assets	
Cash \$	31,997
Investment Account	58,002
Cash – Memorials	<u>\$ 2,852</u>
Total Current Assets	92,851
Total Assets \$	92,851
Equity	\$ 92,851

OFFICE REPORT: Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

No Office Report Submitted

OFFICE BUSINESS:

1. Have the following been updated?
 - a. Location of Tape Recorder
 - b. Membership page on website
 - c. Indiana State Fair Show results
 - d. Lamafest Show results

- e. Celebration Classic Show results
- f. Top Ten Youth Awards 2009
- g. Database Disc
- h. Location of .org Server
- i. Delete old web pages from .org
- j. Half Price Hosting account

Above items were tabled because Office Manager was not present on the call.

Treasurer's Report:

Allen motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Standing Rules revision:

Marilyn presented a revision to the current ALSA Standing Rules for the 2012 ALSA Handbook. There are still some changes to be made to two sections so the completed copy will appear in the December minutes.

Larry motioned to accept the Standing Rules as presented. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

2. Office Manager Position:

Larry motioned to go into Executive Session at 8:44 p.m. Marilyn seconded. Motion carried. Maryan motioned to come out of Executive Session at 8:58 p.m. Larry seconded. Motion carried

3. Rules on "class shopping".

A response has been received from the Policy & Planning Committee suggesting a Handbook rule to address the issue of "class shopping"

Add the following to p. 44, Part I, Section I, 10

An animal may NOT be changed to a different wool division after entry into a show unless moved by the judge. An exhibitor may not move their animal into a different wool division after making entry into a show.

Add the following to #5. on p. 43, Section 1, B. At the end of item #5

Animal wool division may not be changed after entry unless moved with the approval of the judge.

Allen made a motion to accept the suggested rule changes and include them in the 2012 ALSA Handbook. Larry seconded. Motion carried.

4. Regional Youth Fees:

Regional Show youth entry fees were discussed for 2012 Regionals. Youth fees will remain as published in the Oct. 27, 2011 minutes. \$20.00 per class or \$70.00 for all classes entered.

5. Show Works - Show Management Program

Fees were examined for use of Sho Works program for the 2011 Grand National Show. Annual use fee or purchase of new program is now due. Decision had been on hold until

fees were discussed. Maryan motioned to purchase the new version of the Sho Works program for 2012. Larry seconded. Motion carried.

6. Email to Membership

BOD approved email be sent out to the membership on November 23rd.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Letters from Members:

Letters from ALSA Members were addressed and responses will be sent by the President.

2. Ethics Section of Handbook:

"In this portion of the Handbook, it has always listed Show Management, Owners, Breeders, Exhibitors, and Judges, but not BOD's. This needs to be straight across the board for all - no matter what membership status you hold. I make a motion to add BOD's to the Ethics portion of the Handbook and vote "yes". Larry"

This issue was tabled for the December meeting when the BOD members have more time to review this section of the Handbook.

3. P.4, Part B. Committees. Section 1. General Rules, A & B

After discussion of how to use our committees to the best advantage, Marilyn made a motion to adjust the committees for 2012. Larry seconded. Motion carried. Issue was then tabled until the next meeting so complete review can be done.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Alpaca Committee:** (liaison: Staci)

Chair: Mary Reed

No Report

2. **Election Committee:** (liaison: Marilyn)

Chair: Lougene Baird

The Committee is in working on the initial process which will lead to the completion of the 2012 General Election. A Petition to Nominate Form will be submitted to the ALSA Board for its December meeting. Pending approval, the Form will be posted on the ALSA website in early January.

Past election records have been reviewed. The current Board member's term will expire as indicated:

- Ken Forster June 2012
- Keith Wattigney June 2012
- Larry Lewellyn June 2012 Lewellyn, as an alternate, will complete
Tom Parson's 3-year term ending June 2012
- Allen Davis June 2013
- Stacy Forshee June 2013
- Marilyn Nenni June 2014 Nenni, as an alternate, will complete Cathi Kindler's

3-year term ending June 2014

- Maryan Baker June 2014

The opening in each Region will be:

1. Northwestern 2
2. Southwestern 1 (+ Baker)
3. Rocky Mountain 2
4. Great Lakes 2
5. Central 1 (+ Forshee)
6. Buckeye 0 (Nenni and Davis)
7. Eastern 2
8. Southeastern 2

The Chair requests the continued endorsement of Jerry Dunn and Sherry Adamcyk as valuable members of the Election Committee. Their knowledge of the election process and history is invaluable to ALSA.

Bylaw and Standing Rules changes will be required should Directors wish to move in the direction of future elections processed by electronic voting. The committee will immediately begin to edit required changes for Board approval to be placed on the 2012 General Election Ballot for member approval.

Again, the committee requests the Board name a Committee Chair to Nominations and work to populate the committee with a member from each Region as required by the ALSA Bylaws.

Regards,

Lougene Baird, Chair ALSA Election Committee

Open positions for the 2012 ALSA Election and the BOD terms were approved.

3. Ethics & Protest Committee: *(liaison: Keith)*

Chair: Jim Doyle

No Report

4. Fiber Committee: *(liaison: Maryan)*

Chair: Cindy Ruckman

No Report

Marilyn motioned to have Larry serve as liaison to the Fiber Committee. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

5. Finance & Budget Committee: *(liaison: Larry)*

No Report

6. Grand National Committee: *(liaison: Ken)*

Chair: Carol Ann Tallmon

The Grand National Committee is happy to report that from our stand point the show was a success. We realize that the numbers were down but acknowledge that the economy this year played a large part. There were NO complaints reported to any of us and everyone seemed to have a good time.

Malcolm had talked to Ron at the facility while we were there and discussed dates but nothing was

decided then. He called Ron back yesterday and he was not available. It looks like the same weekend next year will be the date and that would put us one day earlier. I will let the Board know as soon as he and Ron get together.

At the beginning of January we will start making plans for the big "15th Anniversary" of the ALSA Grand National Show!

Carol Ann Tallmon

7. Handbook Committee: (*liaison: Maryan*)

Chair: Wally Baker

No Report

8. Judge's Committee: (*liaison: Allen*)

Chair: Doug Overman

Hi , Here is the report from Cindy and myself on the clinic recommendations.

We had a wonderful clinic, lots of learning, fellowship and positive ALSA fiber talk. In addition to the recerts and new apprentices in both llama and alpaca we had two breeders for the first day and a half. We also have to thank the McFarlands for their wonderful hospitality. We had lots of wonderful food, treats, a birthday party, great llamas, alpacas and shorn fleeces provided by our hosts. We appreciate the opportunity to have the clinic and look forward to the next time we can get together with our fellow fiber instructors, apprentices and breeders.

Thank you for supporting our efforts,
Cindy Ruckman and Deb Yeagle

November 20, 2011

The ALSA Llama and Alpaca Fleece Judges Clinic held at *McFarland's Llama Farm* was a great success! We spent 2.5 days immersed in llama and alpaca fleece. We discussed, trained and tested on llama and alpaca shorn and walking fleece.

Following are the results and our recommendations* for the Combination Alpaca and Llama Fleece Clinic:

Cynthia Ernst – Certify as Llama Fleece Apprentice and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Terese Evenson - Certify as Llama Fleece Apprentice and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Joy Bishop Forshey - Certify as Senior Llama Fleece Judge and certify as Senior Alpaca Fleece Judge;

Lee Ann King – Re-certify as Senior Llama Fleece Judge and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Karen Kinyon – Re-certify as Senior Llama Fleece Judge and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Diane Kratville** - Certify as Llama Fleece Apprentice and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Judy Ross – Re-Certify as Level Llama Fleece Judge and pass one Alpaca Fleece Apprenticeship;

Tricia Schneeberger - Certify as Llama Fleece Apprentice and certify as Alpaca Fleece Apprentice;

Cindy Ruckman - Re-certify as Senior Llama Fleece Judge and certify as Senior Alpaca Fleece Judge;

Deb Yeagle - Re-certify as Senior Llama Fleece Judge and re-certify as Senior Alpaca Fleece Judge.

Respectfully submitted by Clinic Instructors: Cindy Ruckman and Deb Yeagle

*All recertification and apprenticeships be effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2015.

**Diane was originally registered for the Breeders Clinic and continued on. Diane will pay ALSA Judges Dues for 2012 and pay the remainder of the clinic fee on time. Once her clinic fee is paid in full.

Allen motioned to approve the recommendations for llama and alpaca fleece apprentices and certifications. Larry seconded. Motion carried.

The ALSA BOD sincerely thanks the McFarlands for their gracious hospitality in hosting this ALSA Fiber Clinic. Your efforts were greatly appreciated by all.

9. Membership Committee: (*liaison: Marilyn*)

Chair:

No Report

10. Nomination Committee: (*liaison: Allen*)

Chair: Carolyn Myers

No Report

Marilyn made a motion to have Maryan as liaison to the Nomination Committee. Larry seconded. Motion carried.

11. Performance Committee: (*liaison: Maryan*)

Chair: Eileen Ditsler

12. Policy & Planning Committee (*liaison: Ken*)

Chair: Barb Harris

I would like to submit the following ALSA member to the board for approval to the Policy and Planning Committee: Lora Crawford representing the West coast.

Marilyn made a motion to approve Lora Crawford to the Policy & Planning Committee. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

13. Promotion Committee: (*liaison: Keith*)

Chair:

No Report

14. Publications Committee: (*liaison: Maryan*)

Chair: Mary Adams

Dear ALSA Board,

These are the people I would like approved for my committee for the Directory. I'm very excited about this project and look forward to getting great ads for the directory and also start working on the Show Ring! Your support is greatly appreciated.

- Nick Hauptly in Iowa
- Cathy Spalding in Washington
- David Armer in Reno
- Dee January in Nebraska
- Karen Schwartz in WY
- Venesa Carter in MO
- Darrell Anderson in Indiana
- Suzann Penry in CA
- Sherri Tallmon in Oregon
- Marilyn or Dan Milton in Oregon
- Carol Reigh in Pennsylvania
- Sharon VanHooser in TX

Sincerely, Mary Adams

Larry motion to approve the members to the Publications Committee. Maryan seconded. Motion carried.

15. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)

Chair: Cheryl Juntilla

Regional Championship Committee Report for November 22, 2011 meeting

As previously reported, the dual Buckeye and Great Lakes Regional Championship were quite successful, thanks to the generous support of Bob LaMorte and other sponsors and the hard work of volunteers who pulled these shows together in a very short time. The facility is available for next year on the weekend of September 29 and 30, 2012, which should not conflict with any other shows. We hope that we can start promoting these and the other regional championships as soon as possible via e-mail blasts and other communications to the members.

We should get an e-mail out to the members as soon as possible to request proposals for the regions that did not have championship shows in 2011 and recruit volunteers to serve as superintendents, including new superintendents for the Buckeye & Great Lakes and Southeastern Regions. As of today, the superintendents for the Buckeye/Great Lakes and Southeastern Regions have refused to provide income and expense information to either the Committee Chair or the ALSA Treasurer. In addition, as of November 21, the superintendent of the Southeastern Region had not yet submitted the results of that show to the ALSA office. (The results of all other Regional Championships have been submitted to the office.)

The superintendent for the Buckeye/Great Lakes shows was identified as Linda Weber, but Cathie Kindler actually performed the work of superintendent and originally told me that she was going to open a separate bank account to handle all of the income and expenses for those shows. Last week, when I asked her for income and expense information for the final regional committee accounting, she refused to provide any information and claimed that the checks for entry fees had been made payable to one of the sponsors, which sponsor had then paid all of the expenses. However, the entry forms and information from another volunteer at that show both indicate the checks were to be made payable to "Buckeye & Great Lakes Regional Championships" and mailed to the show superintendent at Cathie's address. There does not appear to be any logical reason for Cathie's refusal to provide financial information, as ALSA did not lose any money on these shows and the income from entry fees and sponsorships was more than enough to cover all expenses and pay premiums to the exhibitors.

The superintendent for the Southeastern Region, Craig Swindler, told me that he was going to use all of the income from entry fees to pay expenses and premiums to the exhibitors and would only send the office enough money to cover expenses that had been paid in advance by ALSA. I was under the impression that the reason for his attitude was because he was unhappy with the way the board had treated the regional committee this year, but it appears that he is also retaliating against the board for other issues which have nothing to do with the regional championships. In his most recent e-mail on November 14, 2011, he stated that he will send the office a check for \$301.95 to cover the cost of ribbons, had paid all other expenses for the show and "will pay premiums to first thru third to the exhibitors," so it is unclear whether the exhibitors have actually received any premiums yet.

The ALSA treasurer and I have been both trying to come up with a final financial report, but it is difficult with regional superintendents who refuse to cooperate and appear to be concealing information. Once the results of all of the regional championships are posted we may be able to come up with some estimates of the actual entry fees. In the meantime, my best estimate is on the attached spreadsheet, which shows an overall net profit for the 2011 Regional Championships of \$3,550.

Looking forward to 2012, I hope the Board will support the Regional Championships in the following ways:

1. Get rid of the "national qualifier" shows. These only caused a lot of confusion and unfairly favored some regions over others. It does not appear that they achieved the intended goal of increasing attendance at the Grand National.

National Qualifying Shows were approved only for 2011. The BOD has already voted that there will be no National Qualifier Shows in 2012.

2. Put the qualifying criteria for both the Regional and Grand National Championships as stated in the 15th Edition of the ALSA Handbook back into the 17th Edition. See Part E, Section 2(D) and Part F, Section 2 (C) (5) thru (8). Also clarify that the Top Five in each Regional division qualify for the Grand

National. See Part E, Section 8(B).

The BOD is currently reviewing these various items.

3. Allow the Regional Championships to be break-even events, with all net income from entry fees and sponsorships in excess of expenses to be paid as premiums to exhibitors.

This item is tabled until a complete financial report is available.

4. Promote the Regional Championships via e-mail blasts throughout the year and allow the committee chair and members to be involved in the drafting of those communications.

All emails to the membership are accepted from any committee. All emails are subject to BOD approval before being sent out.

5. Communicate, communicate, communicate.

Thank you.

Cheryl Juntilla

The BOD has concerns that the entry fees for the Buckeye/Great Lakes Regional Show and the Southeastern Regional Show were not made payable to ALSA as specified in Regional materials. Fees and show results should be reported to the Office no later than December 15th.

Note from the BOD: The BOD has not approved any joint Regional Shows for 2012. The first priority is to have individual Regional Shows within each ALSA Region.

16. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)

Chair:

No Report

14. Website Committee: (liaison: Marilyn)

Chair:

After some discussion regarding getting full benefits from this committee, Larry made a motion to change the name of this committee to Website & Communications Committee. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

20. Youth Committee: (liaison: Larry)

Chair: Susan Leslie

Motion was made to accept Tabbethia Haubold, Diana Collins, Anna Reese, Michelle Kutzler, and Heather Koenig as members of the Youth Committee. Motion carried.

BOD is researching to see if Scholarship Committee was set up as a sub-committee of the Youth Committee. To be addressed at next meeting.

Email Motions and/or Actions:

11-9-11: Approved National eblast

11-14-11: Approe Thank You eblast

Maryan made a motion to adjourn at 12:02 a.m. EST. Allen seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Marilyn Nenni

Minutes approved at the December 1, 2011 meeting.

**ALSA Regular Monthly Meeting
April 12, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm EST by President, Ken Forster

Roll Call:

Members Present:

President	Ken Forster
V. President	Cathie Kindler
Treasurer	Tom Parsons
Secretary	Keith Wattigney
Board Members:	

Allen Davis
Trish Brandt-Robuck
Stacie Forshee (joined late)

Office Manager:

Cheryl Ryberg

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 8:00pm EST

Proceedings:

Old Business:

1.

Handbook Committee completed the minor handbook change reflected in the March 8, 2011 board minutes reference fleece two judging levels. Revision has been sent to the ALSA office to post on website.

Per Board request, below is an ALSA Handbook printing cost estimate for current edition and distribution to the membership.

700 copies

\$4,760.00 – Printing (190 pages; specs on materials available upon request) (\$6.80 per handbook)

* \$210.00 - Handling setup charges, labeling, seal, barcode, presort, delivery

* \$290.00 – Postage

Total: \$5,260.00

*(based on current postage rates and other handling fees).

Respectfully submitted,

Wally Baker, Chair

Handbook Committee

The Board accepts the above report, but would like the postage budget to be investigated as to what it entails.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Tom Parsons, Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2011

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 26,564
Investment Account	67,625
Cash – Memorials	<u>2,836</u>

Total Current Assets \$ 97,025

Total Assets \$ 97,025

Equity \$ 97,025

Tom provided a detailed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for March 31, 2011.

Above is a summary of the Balance Sheet.

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

Office Business:

Cheryl Ryberg, Office Manager

Although we finished our Youth Top 10 for 2010 in March, we recently received 2, 2010 Sanctioned Shows that have youth participants, as soon as they are entered into the database, we will recalculate the Top Ten Results. There are other issues with the youth Top Ten that make the calculations difficult. Youth that enter into Combined youth classes have to be extracted into their correct division, it is not possible to automate when mixing classes. The Youth Top Ten clearly favors youth that are privileged to attend Regional or Grand National as well as youth in large clubs. I suggest that the Youth Committee review these awards, and perhaps come up with an award that highlights youths accomplishments. Shows are continuing to come in and results posted. We are working with the Election Committee as to the membership of all the Nominators and Nominees,

this is the first year that all were current members of ALSA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Ryberg
ALSA Administrative Manager

The Board accepted the above report and would have the Youth Committee to look over the above issues.

1. Keith motioned that after the office report is given that Cheryl discontinue with the meeting. Allen 2nd.
Roll Call Vote: Tom-Yes; Keith-Yes; Trish-Yes; Allen-Yes; Cathie-No; Stacie-Yes
Motion Carried
2. Allen motioned that all members of the Board of Directors shall sign a Confidentiality Agreement. Keith 2nd.
Motion Carried
3. Keith motioned to replace the liaison for the judges committee. Trish 2nd.
Roll Call Vote: Tom-No; Keith-Yes; Trish-Yes; Allen-Yes; Cathie-No; Stacie-No
Tie Vote – Ken-Yes
Motion Carried
4. Trish motioned to nominate Allen Davis as the new liaison. Keith 2nd.
Motion carried.
5. The ALSA Website is to be changed to posting the Grand National 2011 information.

Committee Reports:

1. Alpaca Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Mary Reed
No Formal Report was received, but they did have the clinic. 3 judges recertified, 2 will recertify by instructing, plus 2 new apprentices.
2. Election Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Lougene Baird

Election Committee Report – April 1, 2011

On April 10th, the Petitioning segment of the 2011 General Election will be complete. The Committee has active files holding petitions for four possible candidates. At the close of the Petition process, a list of persons submitting petitions and receiving petitions will be submitted to the ALSA office to verify that 2011 dues have been paid by each. Following verification, each member who has received at least five valid petitions will be notified and a Statement of Candidacy will be requested from each.

The Committee is requesting the Board notify the committee of any member that is not in Good Standing with the organization as described in the ALSA Bylaws, ARTICLE II Membership Section 6. Member in Good Standing (b) and (c). (2008 Handbook, Page 159). Members who are not in Good Standing may not petition or receive petitions.

We request the ALSA office e-mail each ALSA member urging each to take an active part in the election process by verifying with the ALSA office that their member information, including accuracy of mailing address is correct.

The Day of Record for the 2011 General Election is April 22. Dues must be paid by this date to receive a ballot.

Respectfully submitted,

Lougene Baird, Chair

ALSA Election Committee

The Board accepts the above report.

3. Ethics Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Barb Parsons
No Report
4. Fiber Committee: (liaison: Cathie)
Chair: Cindy Ruckman
No Report
5. Finance & Budget Committee: (liaison: Tom)
Chair:
This was covered under the Treasurer's report.
6. Grand National Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Malcolm and Carol Ann Tallman
7. Handbook Committee: (liaison: Bob)
Chair: Wally Baker
See #1 Under Old Business
8. Judge's Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Doug Overman

The Board received the following report with revisions.

We would like to report that the Alsa Judges Clinic at Glen and Margo Unzickers was a great success.

We have had lots of positive feedback and thank you cards from clinic attendees.

The Unzickers went far above and beyond what was expected. They fed everyone in attendance for the entire time we were there. And went out of their way to make sure we had everything that was needed and then some ,to put on a successful clinic.

For the Llama Clinic already approved at the Pearson's on June 15-16-17, 2012 we are asking for approval of instructors for the clinic. Cathie Kindler, Deb Yeagle and Doug Overman.

Trish motioned to send back to the committee for new list of instructors. No second received. Motion died.

Tom motioned to accept the above list of instructors for the Pearson's clinic. Allen 2nd. Motion passed.

After successfully completing the Unzicker Llama Clinic we ask for the BOD's approval for the following to be Llama apprentices

Tricia Schneeberger
Joy Bishop-Forshee
Evan Snyder
Robin Sturgeon
Leigh Snyder
Cheryl Ryberg
Terese Evenson
Tor Sorenson
Denise Fherenback

The JC committee asks for approval to recertify the following judges after successfully completing the Clinic

Rick Neal
Bill Shultz
MaryJo Miller

Trish motioned to accept the above apprentice list and judge's recertification list. Allen 2nd. Motion passed.

We are also working along with the Llama Fleece Committee in preparation for an ALSA Llama Fleece Judges Clinic at McFarland's Llama Farm during the last quarter of 2011. Deb Yeagle and Cindy Ruckman are scheduled to be the Instructors. The goal is that all Llama Fleece Judges due to recertify in 2011 and 2012 will be able to attend this clinic.

Thank You for your time

The Judges Committee
Doug Overman
Deb Yeagle
Cindy Ruckman
Barb Harris
Mary Reed

Tom motions that the Board will continue to support the judges committee by supporting former decisions by allowing the use of CEC credits for fleece and will consider the use of separate CEC credits for Llama Fleece when they are drafted. Trish 2nd. Motion passed.

9. Membership Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to fill
No report
10. Nomination Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Carolyn Myers
No Report

11. Performance Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Melanie McMurrey
No Report
12. Policy & Planning Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Barb Harris
No Report
13. Promotion Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Need to fill
No Report
14. Protest Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Ulin Andrews
No Report
15. Publications Committee: (liaison: Ken)
Chair: Need to Fill
No Report
16. Regional Committee: (liaison: Keith)
Chair: Cheryl Jutilla

The Board received the following report with revisions:

1. Judges that have been selected for Regional Championships to date are: Eastern - Phil Feiner; Rocky Mountain - Patti Morgan; Southeastern - Margaret Henry
2. Buckeye Region - The Hoosier Llama & Alpaca Association will submit a proposal to hold the Buckeye Regional Championship in conjunction with its Fall Show. Two locations in Indiana are being considered, with the final decision to be determined by cost. The date will either be the last weekend in September or the first weekend in October. Details will be submitted to the Board for approval as soon as they are available.
3. Central Region - A proposal has been submitted by Joy Swihart to hold the Central Regional Championship in conjunction with the Oklahoma City State Fair Llama show, which will be held on September 23 - 25, with Jim Doyle serving as superintendent. This is a nice new facility and there would be no charge to ALSA for the arena. Stall fees would be \$30 per stall and exhibitors would have to pay \$20 for Fair admission. We have confirmed that this date will not conflict with the Dallas State Fair which is the following week and request that the Board approve this proposal for the Central Regional Championship.
4. The Committee would appreciate confirmation on whether we can switch to a different ribbon company to cut costs. As discussed at the special meeting on March 24, we will be using our existing inventory and only purchasing ribbons as needed to fill in.
5. The Committee is considering awarding Top 5 certificates instead of ribbons to further reduce expenses. The existing inventory of Top 5 ribbons can be refurbished with new center streamers and used for Grands and Reserves.

6. The Committee requests that the Board approve a reduction in entry fees for performance classes to \$25 per class. Last year when Regional Championships were held in conjunction with other shows many performance exhibitors would enter the regular show but not the Championship because of the higher fees. Most performance animals are entered in three classes, which equals \$105 per animal. Lowering the performance class fee to \$25 would only reduce ALSA's income per animal by \$30, but could result in more animals being entered.

7. The Committee requests that the Board adjust the entry fee for youth classes to a flat fee of \$50 per youth exhibitor for all five youth classes - showmanship, judging, obstacle, pack and PR. This would make it easier for youth exhibitors to participate in all the classes and would be a help to families that have more than one child participating.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. Thank you.

Cheryl Juntilla

The Board approved the above with the exception of #4. The committee would need to get a quote on ribbon prices to include the ribbons for the Grand Nationals.

Tom motioned for 2011 to authorize a National Qualifier ALSA show in those regions where the Regional Committee has been unable to schedule a regional show and superintendent. Trish 2nd. Roll Call Vote: Tom-Yes; Allen-Yes; Cathie-Yes; Stacie-No; Keith-No; Trish-Abstain.

Motion Carried.

Tom motions that since the only presently scheduled ALSA show in Wisconsin for 2011 is The Badgerland to be held May 21st, that it to be designated as the Great Lakes National Qualifier show. Cathie 2nd. Roll Call Vote: Tom-Yes; Allen-Yes; Cathie-Yes; Stacie-Yes; Trish-Yes; Keith-No.

Motion Passed.

17. Show Management Committee: (liaison: Allen)
Chair: Bill Schultz

18. Web Site Committee: (liaison: Trish)
Chair: Steve Katzakian

19. Youth Committee: (liaison: Staci)
Chair: Penny Davidson
No Report

20. Keith and other BOD members would like permission to send to their Committee Chair information pertaining to their Committee so that they can start working on the items. The Board approves.

21. The Board approves an email blast pertaining to the lowering of class fees as noted in the Regional report

There being nothing further to discuss, Trish motioned to adjourn the meeting. Allen 2nd.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 11:20pm EST.