ALSA Board of Directors Minutes

May 8, 2024

Call to order: 7:04 p.m. CDT.

Roll call:

Board Members: Cathie Kindler, President (absent)

Anna Reese, Vice-President

Ron Baird, Secretary

Lauren Wright

Denise Fehrenbach left at 7:37 p.m. CDT)

Holly Jensen Timothy Smith

Others: Becci Kunkel, Executive Secretary

Vern Wright, Treasurer

I. Office Report

Attached is the Event Helper Insurance Form. It is time to renew our plan, so I answered the questions based off previous years. Please review. The Insurance for the Board of Directors will be due soon too.

Youth Top Ten has been announced and all signs and certificates distributed. The cost for signs this year was \$528.00, last year was \$512.00 so not much of an increase.

All 2024 shows are uploaded so far.

Most of 2023 shows are wrapped up. I am still working with one show, hopefully will have it resolved by the meeting.

37 Shows for 2024 so far compared to the low 30's last year.

This is an increase from this time last year.

As far as the website is concerned, it is super close to being done. We had a delay trying to figure out the best payment options that would be the cheapest and most efficient but resolved that and work has started back up. They are setting up the online payments on QuickBooks, then need to finish connecting the database and the site will be done.

Meeting next week with QuickBooks to finish setting up the payment program, which enable more efficient receipt and payment of funds.

> Motion: Pay Becci's office expenses of \$1,575.00 for April. Motion by Ron. Seconded by Lauren. Motion unanimously passed.

II. **Treasurer's Report:**

Board members now have read-only access to the financial statements rather than having to wait to meetings for them. This represents improved management of the organization's fiscal condition.

The balance sheet, as of May 8, 2024, is:

Checking: \$47,278.46 Savings: 50,023.42 Youth Scholarship: 10.752.92 Total Assets: \$108,054.80

April Revenues: \$3,428 2,222 Expenses: Net Income: \$1,206 Vern has had discussions with QuickBooks versus Square Up for payments. This potentially will save most of the fees charged by Square Up on transactions.

Vern will stay on as the ALSA Treasurer after Lauren's term on the Board is completed at the end of this year.

Vern left the meeting at 7:37 p.m. CDT.

III. Committee Reports:

Alpaca - Chair: Vicky Donley, Liaison: Lauren

Vicki Donley, Chair

Lauren reported the alpaca clinic has been indefinitely postponed.

By-laws and Standing Rules - Chair: Lougene Baird, Liaison: Ron

There continue to be no recommended changes.

Regards,

Lougene Baird, Chair

Elections - Chair: Kelsey Matthews, Liaison: Cathie

Nominations for the 2025 Board of Directors can come from every region except the Great Lakes and Southeast regions, which already have their maximum number of allowed Board members.

Regards,

Lougene Baird, Past Chair

Ethics and Protest- Chair: Steve Auld, Liaison: Tim

Tim was veery happy to report the committee has received no protests or ethics violations in the past month.

Finance & Budget - Chair: Vern, Liaison: Ron

Please refer to the Treasurer's report presented above.

Fleece - Chair: Cindy Ruckman, Liaison: Denise

No report

Grand National - Chair: Susan Leslie, Liaison: Holly

No report

Handbook - Chair: Open, Liaisons: Denise and Ron

No report.

Judges' -- Mary Jo Miller Chair, Liaison: Anna

No report.

Membership, Publications, Promotions, Marketing & Website - Chair: Becci, Liaison: Tim

126 Adult Members

89 Youth Members - 3 are Lifetime Youth Members

126 Adult Lifetime Members

We are still down in membership, the adult is close, but youth memberships are still down quite a bit.

Becci Kunkel, Chair

Performance - Chair: Susan Leslie, Liaison: Denise

No report

Regional Committee – Chair: Susan Leslie, Liaison: Anna Currently, three regional shows are planned for this year.

Show Management, Policy & Planning – Chair: Kari Price, Liaison: Holly No report

Youth Committee – Chair: Jennie Hodgen, Liaison: Denise No report

IV. Old Business:

None

V. New Business:

None

The next regular Board meeting will be June 12th at 7:00 p.m. CDT.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:45 p.m. CDT. Motion by Lauren. Seconded by Tim. Motion unanimously passed.

The ALSA Board of Directors may convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, any items on this agenda or to consult with Legal and/or Accounting Counsel.