

# Minutes for the International Boer Goat Association, Inc. Board of Directors Teleconference 6/28/00 at 11 a.m.

Jim McMorries called the meeting to order. Also participating were Danny Henson, Richard Oliveira, Tom Boyer, and Cathie Keblinger. Casey Hasten was also on line.

Casey reported that registrations are up from last year as are new memberships and renewals. Memberships are up in every state. We have over \$31,000 in the bank.

The cost of the driveway repair was \$1800. Jim took pictures to send to board members. He also took pictures of the building to show that it needs new siding. That should cost between \$6000 and \$7000.

Another problem is storage of pedigree information. The registrations are on disks and we are running out of room for file cabinets. Richard is looking for a program that will allow the pedigrees to be stored more efficiently. Casey said a new program would cost between \$5000 and \$10,000 initially. The biggest problem with the program would be to make all old files accessible.

Casey suggested that we lower registration fees for members who send in a large group of applications at one time. She suggested the following scale:

| For fullbloods       | For percentages |
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| 15-29 - \$14 each    | \$7 each        |
| 30-39 - \$13 each    | \$6 each        |
| 40 or more \$12 each | \$5 each        |

Tom moved that we accept the changes in registration fees according to the scale suggested by Casey to become effective July 1. Richard seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Casey requested suggestions for an appropriate gift for Rebecca Norris because of her extensive work arranging the National Show. She said she thought a lifetime membership might be the right gift. Everyone considered that a good idea.

Goats can be unloaded in Abilene at 3 p.m. on Thursday. The time was moved forward because with over 500 goats already entered, it will be hard to unload them all Friday.

Members are already using the DNA program. The cost is \$30 to sample a parent, \$5 to store the sample 5 years. Later they will have a Boer Goat gene base so they can say if a goat is or is not a Boer Goat.

Danny said that the show committee will need input from 3 years to make a definitive judgement about how well the point system is working. We do know, however, that it is working. A plan to make certain necessary revisions that have already become apparent will be ready before the national show.

Amanda is the new employee in our Bonham office. Casey asked if the office should be closed during the National Show. Since only a small percentage of the membership are involved in showing goats, it was decided to keep a skeleton staff in the office all week to answer calls and do what they can.

Richard moved that the meeting be adjourned. Tom seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cathie Keblinger*

Cathie Keblinger, Secretary