

National Pygmy Goat Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
January 11-12, 2014  
Phoenix, Arizona

Saturday, January 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 am by President April Seiler. Present were Vice President Linda Henwood, Treasurer Linda Shipley, and Secretary Michelle Fonda, and Directors Lynda Gredin, Sarah Read, Karen Hepner, Joyce Hubbard, Maggie Leman, Rebecca Mumpower, Jason Overman, Cheryl Rogers, Jean Sisco, Stetts Stettler, Nancy Powell, Denise Fraser, and Business Manager Dori Lowell. The Directors welcomed and introduced themselves to one another.

There were several members (AZ, CA) in attendance.

#### **Officer Reports**

President: President Seiler discussed the apparent lack of a pending lawsuit. Reminded the board that we had a long agenda and by working together we would get through it and do what is in the best interest of the NPGA.

Vice President: Vice President Henwood reiterated that she had been appointed VP after Michael O'Kelly vacated the position after being appointed the JTC chair. She said that most of the contact had been with the new MEMO editor and that Carol was doing an excellent job.

Secretary: Thanked everyone for helping to get the minutes and NPGA documents updated during her illness.

Treasurer: Treasurer Shipley passed out an updated financial report and the proposed budget for the directors to review before the budget being discussed on Sunday There is \$25,797.88 in checking, 43,467.38 in CDs as of 12/31/13. Linda stated that the year-end figures can be somewhat misleading in that we had very generous donations from directors, chairs, coordinators and others who did not take their stipends/pay/expenses totaling \$7350.00. Without those donations there would have been a net loss of -\$560.00. There was only 1 actual donation of \$1000.00 for 2013. Treasurer Shipley reminded us that we cannot count on such donations again and those expenses are in the proposed budget for 2014.

#### **Elections**

President: Director Seiler was nominated. There were no other nominations. Director Seiler accepted.

Vice President: Director Henwood and Director Mumpower were nominated. Director Henwood was elected by secret ballot.

Secretary: Director Fraser and Director Leman were nominated. Director Leman was elected by secret ballot.

Treasurer: Director Shipley was nominated. There were no other nominations. Director Shipley accepted.

#### **Acceptance of Previous Minutes**

January 2013 Minutes accepted.

June 2013 Minutes accepted with revision to show that Director Fraser joined the meeting late.

The board recessed for ten minutes while the new e-board assumed their positions at the head of the table.

#### **Central Office Report**

Business Manager Lowell discussed her report. No significant issues during this period. New member numbers are stable, as are animals registered, transfers are down a little. With the total number of members going down the number of transactions are going down. The reduced membership numbers continues to be the trend.

Sandy Hall is settling in well as the ROA coordinator. Her printer needed to be replaced soon after her appointment.

For the first time in several years no office equipment needed to be replaced.

No roster was produced last year. The last one was in 2012 on CD. Options were discussed. A roster CD will be produced this year and sent to all members. Should be sent to the printer in March and be available soon after. Fewer will be produced as fewer will be needed.

MEMO mailing costs have increased substantially. We will discontinue First Class mailing of the MEMO to directors. The cost of mailing MEMO to foreign members has become very expensive. NPGA only charges an extra \$5.00 to cover this postage. It is not nearly enough. It is something that may need to be addressed.

Options were discussed for putting MEMO on our website as an enticement for new members, in much the same manner as Amazon shows previews of books. This will be explored further.

The recent bigger issues of MEMO have caused an issue with postage. There was discussion about limiting the number of pages for MEMO to keep it small enough to be mailed at a lesser rate.

Central office gets many inquiries regarding the new USDA microchip requirements. The NPGA does not require the use of the new microchips for registration, showing or transfer. Members will have to make their own decision on how or if they need to comply with the USDA regulations. Director Overman discussed his article for MEMO which explains the NPGA's microchip policies. It was suggested to include the Ad Hoc committee - USDA Activities report in the MEMO, too. For goats that are rechipped, the new number appears on the front side of the registration papers with RC above it to indicate they have been rechipped. The old chip number is recorded on the back. To record a win the new chip must be read.

Membership fees are used to cover the costs of all mailings to members. They do not if there is a ballot going to those members.

### **Certification Committee**

Due to the closing of the herdbook several new progeny applications have been submitted. There are 18 active applicants. One goat finished and was accepted in 2013.

Three goats were reviewed for certification and denied by the Certification and Breed Standard committees.

There was considerable discussion on how to entice new members. Addressed a need to market Pygmy Goats as useful livestock for the small homesteader. Addressed inherent husbandry problems as an issue in recruiting new members and new breeders. Will task the PR committee with these issues.

The Central office and Certification committee report was received.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **Breed Standard**

The amended report addressing the committee's stance on agenda item H to the BSC report was emailed to the directors. The board accepted the recommendation to remove the Pygmy Color Guideline article from the website (was removed on 1/15).

The report was received.

Break 10:35 am to 10:55 am.

### **Health, Education & Research**

The report was received.

### **Judges Training**

The board discussed the report. A report of statistics from previous JE's from Kevin Kress was circulated to the directors.

The committee's recommendation for scoring was accepted.

Chair tasked with creating/updating the procedures and policies manual for the JTC and submitting it to the board for approval and for archiving.

The committee's request for a new recorder was denied at this time.

The JTC report was received.

### **Public Relations**

The board discussed the need for a chair with PR and marketing experience. Discussed the need for clear direction from the board and support including a budget. A budget of \$150.00 was given during the budget approval.

Rebecca Mumpower was appointed chair and approved by the board.

The report was accepted.

### **Publications**

Reported that the committee is fully staffed. Will need 2 new members in June.

The report was accepted

### **Webmaster**

For the first time all 4 banner ads are sold for the year. The webmaster will check into making available banner ads for breeders on the Breeder's listing for a fee.

The report was accepted.

## **Youth**

It will be suggested that applicants be required to submit a picture of themselves and biography with their application. The committee may set the rules for the NPGA scholarship and include them in the committee's policy and procedure manual that will be reviewed by the board. VP will ask for the language for any Rules and Regulations changes that can go to the board as a motion by mail.

The report was received.

## **Coordinator Reports**

### **Affiliated Clubs**

Still needs a coordinator. Discussion about the requirements to be an NPGA affiliated club. The new coordinator will be tasked with outlining these requirements for inclusion in the Rules and Regulations.

Report received.

Lunch Break from 12:50 pm - 1:50 pm.

## **Election**

Report received.

## **Show**

The free show sanction drawing for clubs that recycle ribbons will be done again this year.

The report was received.

## **Report of Awards**

The report was received.

## **Department Reports**

### **MEMO Editor**

The editor will be tasked to create forms for submitting show results in the format that she requires and instructions and sending to the webmaster for posting. The fee for retyping show results that are not submitted in a useable digital format is increased to \$50.00 per event.

Discussed the cost to produce MEMO. To ask for bids from the current (Oregon) printer for 64 to 88 page costs for 1000 to 1300 copies to help with budgeting decisions.

The report was received.

## **Merchandise Department**

Increase for postage fees was requested and approved.

The report was received.

## **Compliance Committee Report**

The committee had 2 proposals to consider:

1. The guarantee of anonymity of members of the compliance committee was felt to be problematic and unnecessary. The board agreed that anonymity should not be guaranteed. A degree of discretion as to the members of the committee is encouraged.
2. That appointing committee members from outside the board be considered. This was declined by the board.

The chair is tasked with updating the Compliance committee policies and procedures manual for review and approval of the board.

The report was received.

## **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

### **Historical Ad Hoc Committee**

Director Sisco reports that she has had little cooperation from persons of historical interest. She is reluctant to pursue this direction further. She and the committee will be asked to encourage members who may have items of interest to scan them for inclusion in the NPGA archives.

The report was received.

### **Website Design, Online Reports Ad Hoc Committee**

The committee has met its goal. Online registration is not recommended at this time as being too cumbersome for the central office.

The report was received.

### **Meeting of Member Committees Ad Hoc Committee**

The committee made its final report in June 2013. At the time the proposals were tabled until the January 2014 meeting to allow for notification to the membership of proposed Bylaws changes. Old Business item A addresses this proposal.

### **Business Between Meetings/Teleconference Ad Hoc Committee**

Will be addressed at old business item C and D.

### **Appeals of Decisions to Board Ad Hoc Committee**

No report. Committee to continue with Denise Fraser reappointed chair and approved by the board.

### **USDA Activities Ad Hoc Committee**

Will be posted to the website on the Goat ID page. Jason Overman's article will also be posted to the NPGA website homepage.

Report received.

### **Options for Different Color Patterns Ad Hoc Committee**

Forming a registry to address this issue is not recommended.

Report was received.

Break 4:27 pm - 4:39 pm.

## **Old Business**

### **A. Changes to standing committees.**

#### **Motion #2014-01**

**Failed**

**Proposed by: Hoyt/Leman**

1. Move to amend Section 5.2 of the Bylaws to read:

#### **SECTION 5.2 BOARD AND MEMBER COMMITTEES**

Board and Member Committees and their responsibilities are given in the Rules and Regulations of the Association, and can be modified at any time by a majority of the Board of Directors.

2. Move to amend paragraph 8 of the Rules and Regulations to read:

#### **8. MEMBER COMMITTEES**

The provisions of this paragraph will apply only to the following six Member Committees: Breed Standard, Judges Training, Public Relations, Youth, Health Education and Research, and Publications.

A. All six member committees shall be composed...

C.5.c. Since service as an NPGA Member Committee Chair...

3. Move to amend paragraph 3 of the Rules and Regulations to read:

A. Shall chair a Member Committee of NPGA members knowledgeable about Breed requirements, to be known as the Certification/Progeny Committee.

1. In addition to the Business Manager, this committee will consist of a nucleus of members not to exceed the number of regions, having appointed terms of three years each. Appointment of committee members shall be made by the Business Manager;

their terms shall expire at the end of the month three years after their appointment. There will be a minimum one-year lapse between terms served by committee members.

2. The committee will perform the following tasks:

a. Certification

(1) Review the registration applications and submitted photos of animals with questionable eligibility.

(2) Discuss among themselves the eligibility or lack thereof of the applicant's animals for registration based on all Association requirements.

(3) Participate in the committee's decision-making process as to the fate of the applications, including any required reporting to the Business Manager.

b. Progeny

(1) Review each set of submitted applications, including all forms and photos.

(2) Discuss among themselves the eligibility or lack thereof of the submissions.

(3) Participate in the committee's decision-making process as to the fate of the applications, including any required reporting to the Business Manager.

Subparas B, C, D, and E to remain the same.

Subpara F: New subparagraph will now contain the language formerly in subparagraph A.

4. Move to amend paragraph 9.G of the Rules and Regulations to read as follows:

G. Compliance Committee. The Compliance Committee is a Board Committee composed of...

5. Move to amend paragraph 8 of the President's Job Description to read:

8. Is an ex-officio member of those six Member Committees enumerated in paragraph 8 of the Rules and Regulations.

Yes: None No: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. Absent: None.

## **B. Making the annual membership meeting mandatory.**

**Motion #2014-02**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Hoyt/Read**

1. Move to amend Section 3.1 of the Bylaws to read:

An annual meeting of the members must be called by the President to be held during the annual Convention. Other meetings of the Association may be called by the President...

2. Move to delete Section 3.2 of the Bylaws.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None.

## **C. Board actions and board meetings - Teleconference**

**Motion #2014-03**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Stettler/Fonda**

I move new Rules and Regulations, Para M be added to current Rules and Regulations, Para 1. BOARD ACTIONS AND BOARD MEETINGS, as follows:

M. When the Board of Directors meets to transact official business via teleconference, the following rules apply:

(1) The Secretary shall deliver to each Director and the Business Manager an announcement of the upcoming meeting to include:

(a) date and time (CST or CDT as appropriate) for the meeting's start time

(b) expected duration

(c) agenda

(d) telephone number and access code for the meeting and the Host's name.

(e) A list of each Director and the Business Manager with their telephone number, email address and fax number as appropriate.

(f) The notices shall conform to the requirements of WA Statutes 24.03.009.

(2) Prior to the meeting, the Secretary shall publish an announcement of the date and time of the scheduled meeting to the general membership.

(a) The Secretary shall deliver the information in (1)(a) through (d) to as many of the general membership as is reasonably practicable.

(b) Directors and the Business Manager are not required to be physically present at any specific location during the meeting.

(3) One person, normally a Director or another authorized to attend closed sessions, will be appointed by the Presiding Officer as Host for the meeting. The Host is responsible for operating the web-based display Control Panel to include the following actions:

(a) Establish contact with the web service at least 15 minutes prior to the meeting time to ensure proper setup and operation by meeting time. Proper operation means that each Director and the Business Manager has the capability for continuous and simultaneous aural communication with each other.

(b) Have available a complete list of current Directors in order to ensure a quorum is on line and available for every vote. During deliberations, continuous availability of each Director is not required.

(i) The validity of the quorum may be established by personal recognition of each Director's voice or other reasonable means.

(ii) Any Director may question the existence of a quorum at any time by being recognized by the President. The Host shall immediately canvass the Directors individually and report results to the Executive Committee who shall determine validity of the results. That determination is final.

(c) Ensure the Secretary has the ability to call for and record each director's vote.

(d) Ensure that only Directors and the Business Manager are on line when the Executive Board calls for closed sessions.

(e) Provide the ability for the general membership to hear all open proceedings and to participate when recognized by the President.

(f) Ensure the meeting recording system is operational for the entire meeting and ensure the Secretary has prompt access to the recording after the meeting.

(g) In the event of a minor equipment malfunction, the Host shall regain connectivity as soon as possible to allow the meeting to continue. This event will not result in the meeting's adjournment but may be considered a recess.

(4) The Presiding Officer may establish reasonable guidelines that encourage full and orderly deliberations during the meeting to include those for recognizing Directors and members to speak in turn.

(5) In the event of an unavoidable major equipment malfunction such that effective Board connectivity is lost for more than 30 minutes, the meeting will be declared adjourned by the Presiding Officer. In this case, if deemed necessary by the Executive Board, a follow-on meeting may be scheduled at any convenient time that the Secretary can arrange between all Directors and the Business Manager. This meeting is limited in scope to completing unfinished items from the previously adjourned meeting. No additional announcement to the general membership is required for this meeting, but the Secretary shall take action to publicize its scheduled date and time so far as practicable.

(6) With the Presiding Officer's approval, Directors or members may send information electronically to other Directors and the Business Manager during the meeting. (There is no restriction on members transmitting among themselves during a meeting.)

(a) Email and fax are the only two allowable methods of delivery.

(b) Include all Directors and the Business Manager as recipients, if they have the appropriate reception capability.

(c) The information must be directly pertinent to the deliberations of the meeting.

(7) The Secretary shall obtain a recording promptly after the meeting and may use it as an aid in generating the official minutes. The Secretary may individually record the meeting as a backup procedure.

(8) These procedures are available for any NPGA committee to use. Committee Chairs should adjust the assignment of duties for each unique committee to meet the essential requirements as stated above. Advance notices are required only to committee members and can be no shorter than 3 days. The web based Control Panel will be made available by the Host to committee Chairs whenever it would not interfere with a Board meeting.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None.

#### **D. Board actions and board meetings - motion by mail/email**

**Motion #2014-04**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Stettler/Powell**

I move NPGA Bylaws, Para 4.16, be changed in two places as follows:

a. Add new second sentence, "Business and elections may be transacted by electronic teleconference or other electronically-aided means as described in Rules and Regulations of the organization."

b. The current second sentence, be changed by deleting the word "mailed" and adding the word "delivered" in its place.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**E. Information requested from Central Office.**

Referred to Central Office Information Ad Hoc committee. Linda Henwood appointed chair with approval by the board.

**F. Restructure Certification committee**

**Motion #2014-05**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Seiler/Fonda**

I move to add to Rules and Regulations 8:

M. Certification/Progeny Committee

1. The Certification/Progeny committee, chaired by the business manager, shall receive and review photos of animals with questionable registration eligibility as referred to the committee by the Business Manager or submitted for the progeny process. Committee members will be polled on the eligibility of animals submitted and notifies the Business Manager of the decision. Applicants will be accepted by a majority vote of the committee. The purpose of the committee is to enforce the Breed Standard and NPGA's policies.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None.

Recessed at 6:29 pm until Sunday January 12, 2014 at 8:00 am.

Reconvened at 8:01 on Sunday Feb. 12, 2014 All present

**New Business**

**A. Standing Committee insertion to Rules and Regulations Para 8.C.1**

**Motion #2014-06**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Stettler/Mumpower**

I move the words "Standing Committee" be inserted between NPGA and Chairs in the first sentence of Para 8.C.1. of the NPGA Rules and Regulations to read:

C. Committee Chairs

1. All openings for NPGA Standing Committee Chairs shall be advertised in MEMO with the exception of the Judges Training Committee Chair in which a notice shall be delivered directly to all licensed judges.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**B. Change of RR Para8.C.3 - Change supervision of Compliance Committee**

**Motion #2014-07**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Stettler/Sisco**

I move Rules and Regulations Para 8.C.3. be changed to strike that portion of the sentence after Vice-President.

The subparagraph would then read: Committee chairs will report to and be supervised by the Vice-President.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**C. Addition to Show Rules G.7 - Clarify "Papers OK"**

**Motion #2014-08**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Stettler/Hubbard**

I move to add to the Rules for Official Shows new K.3 to read:

By checking "Papers OK" the judge verifies that the Report of Award is completed correctly and information on the Report of Award matches the animal's Certificate of Registry/Ancestry.

Renumber the current 3 to 4.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**D. Notification on Website**

**Motion #2014-09**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Seiler/Shiple**

I move to amend the Rules and Regulations to read:

1.A. A board meeting will be held in January each year, at a date and place set by the Board at the Convention Board meeting the previous year. Election of officers will occur on the first day of the meeting immediately after the opening and welcome, approval of minutes of the previous meeting, and officer reports.

E. Agenda items must be submitted to the President of the Board, in writing, at least 6 weeks prior to all Board meetings or 30 days following the publication of the Minutes to the membership, whichever is later. No vote will be taken on any non-agenda item unless deemed urgent by the executive committee. These non-agenda items may, however, be open for discussion. A list of the motions acted on at the Board meeting and their full text, including vote tallies, shall be posted to the membership on the NPGA website within 30 days of the meeting or other method of action taken to vote on a motion.

K. Updated changes in Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Show Rules, Motions, Motion Index, Job Descriptions, and Articles of Incorporation will be made by the Secretary, and distributed to the Board of Directors, appropriate chairpersons within 30 days of change and appropriate updates will be made to the website.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: Hubbard None Absent: None

**E. Posting "Guidelines for Judging Pygmy Goats"**

Withdrawn by maker Director Seiler. Scorecards (Guidelines for Judging) to be linked under Resources/Showing on the website.

**F. Delete of Bylaws Article IX Para 9.3**

Withdrawn by maker Director Seiler.

**G. Emergency Reporting (Stettler)**

**Motion #2014-10**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Stettler/Gredin**

I move Rules and Regulations, Section 15, Para E. be amended to read:

Any emergency issue coming to the attention of any NPGA member may be referred to the President for review and action, and the Board shall be informed of action taken when practicable.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: Hubbard None Absent: None

Break 10:01 am - 10:13 am

**H. Removal of Certification Committee, request of DNA proof for registration**

**Motion #2014-11**

**Failed**

**Proposed by: Fraser/Powell**

I move that the Rules and Regulations be changed to:

A) remove all remnant reference to a certification committee from NPGA documents, including the change to:

B) Rule 4J be changed to :

J. Applications for animals from two registered NPGA parents will be registered. DNA testing may be required of animals as part of a random sampling or of any animal not adhering in appearance, as determined by the Business Manager, to the Breed Standard. Upon DNA proof of NPGA parentage, said animals will be registered.

Yes: Fraser No: Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler Hubbard None Absent: None

**I. Directors representation of NPGA as whole**

**Motion #2014-12**

**Failed**

**Proposed by: Fraser/Mumpower**

Add to Rules and Regulations Paragraph 1, section E and re-letter subsequent sections accordingly:

E. Directors shall represent NPGA as a whole, and vote in accordance with its best interests.

Yes: Fraser No: Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler Hubbard Absent: None



**J. Show Rules G.9.a and G.9.b - define "Youth show"**

Withdrawn by maker Director Gredin.

**K. Show Rules G.9.a - define "youth show"**

**Motion #2014-13**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Leman/Gredin**

I move new subparas G.9.a.(1).a and b be inserted into Rules for Official Shows to read:

- a. If the NPGA sanctioned show is sponsored by a recognized youth organization, the age limits are set by that organization.
- b. If the youth show is sponsored solely by an NPGA member/club, a youth is defined by the show chair.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**L. Show Rules D.10 - no limit to number of times wether shown under judge**

**Motion #2014-14**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Leman/Hubbard**

I move a new subpara D.10. be inserted into Rules for Official Shows following the current subpara D.9., and renumber the current subpara 10 to 11, to read:

There is no restriction to the number of times a wether may be shown under any judge.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**Lunch Break 12:19 pm - 12:41 pm**

**M. Define "Opening" for Department Head**

**Motion #2014-15**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Leman/Fonda**

I move to replace the first sentence in Rules and Regulations 7.A to read:

All department head positions will be advertised in the Spring MEMO and on the website for the purpose of creating a pool of applicants.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**N. RR 8.L.4.d - Webmaster abide by terms/contractual agreement**

Withdrawn by maker Director Leman.

**O. Creation of Job Description for NPGA judges**

**Motion #2014-16**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Leman/Mumpower**

I move that agenda item O be referred to the JTC for further review and recommendations. Report back at the June 2014 board meeting.

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**P. Term limit for Coordinators**

Withdrawn by maker Director Leman.

**Q. Show Rules C.10.b - placement of progeny sticker**

Withdrawn by maker Director Leman. Business manager will send a note with the stickers addressing the placement on the registration paper.

**R. RR 4.C. revise - remove "progeny testing", add "met breed standard"**

Withdrawn by maker Director Henwood.

**S. RR 4.C increase fee for registration over 1 year**

Withdrawn by maker Director Henwood.

**T. Addition of statement to Registration Application**

Withdrawn by maker Director Henwood.

**U. Revise Wether Certification Application**

**Motion #2014-17**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Henwood/Read**

I move to revise the wording of the Wether Certification Application to make consistent with revised Judging Guidelines and Registration Application Form as follows:

NPGA Judge Comments and Signature:

Judge should check to assure this goat is the goat listed correctly described on the paperwork to the best of your ability. Judge should also check to assure that this goat does not show any breed identity challenging traits such as lacking all breed specific markings or having markings that challenge breed identity; non-conformity of color/pattern, of height or cannon; natural hornlessness; roman nose; ears pendulous; eyes of any color other than brown.

Combine disbudded/dehorned at the top of the form.

Remove the final sentence under Owner Comments and Signature which currently reads "Misrepresentation of facts may result in the revocation of all NPGA privileges."

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

**V. Official Sanction wether program**

**Motion #2014-18**                      **Failed**                      **Proposed by: Read/Powell**

I move the NPGA create an official sanction for our wether program.

Yes: Gredin, Read No: Fonda, Fraser, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler Absent: None

**W. Increase Compliance filing fee**

Withdrawn by maker Director Seiler.

**X. Remove #14 from President's JD**

**Motion #2014-19**                      **Passed**                      **Proposed by: Fraser/Shipley**

I move that #14 be removed from the president’s job description, “Signs NPGA’s Declaration of Nonprofit Status annually,” and the remaining items be renumbered sequentially.

Add to Business Managers Job Description under Annually, "Prepare and submit the Declaration of Non-Profit Status annually."

Yes: Fonda, Fraser, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Powell, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco, Stettler. No: None Absent: None

Break 2:33 pm - 2:45 pm

**Approval of the 2013 Budget**

The board discussed several ways to help balance the budget.

The requested increase in shipping charges were approved for Merchandise.

Under expenses the Business Manager Salary was increased 3%. The Youth Scholarship was reduced to \$500.00. The expenses for the board meeting room were reduced due to the June board meeting room being donated by the convention sponsors.

Producing the roster may be delayed until June for current members, when the budget will be revisited. New members will get a roster when they join. These may be produced in house as producing a few as needed is doable.

Under Income Membership Dues were decreased \$2000.00.

Discussed limiting the MEMO budget by limiting the number of pages, pending getting bids (estimates) from the current printer.

Promoting the member's Audit of the Judging Clinic may help increase income.

The budget predicted a deficit of just over \$9000.00. The following motion is predicted to cut that deficit to about \$4100.00.

**Motion #2014-20**

**Passed**

**Proposed by: Seiler/Henwood**

I move to change Rules for Official Shows to read:

A.3 The sanction fee is sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) each when the application for sanction is postmarked to NPGA at least 60 days prior to the show, (fifty dollars (\$50.00) each 4-H or restricted), ninety-five dollars (\$95.00) each when postmarked between 59 and 31 days (sixty-five (\$65.00) each 4-H or restricted), and one hundred-twenty dollars (\$120.00) each when postmarked 30 days or less prior to the show...

D.1 The fee for an NPGA sponsored wether show shall be twenty-one dollars and fifty cents (\$21.50) when the application for sanction is postmarked to NPGA at least 60 days prior to the show, forty dollars (\$40.00) when postmarked between 59 and 31 days, and one hundred-twenty dollars (\$120.00) when postmarked 30 days or less prior to the show.

Yes: Fonda, Gredin, Henwood, Hepner, Hubbard, Leman, Mumpower, Overman, Read, Rogers, Shipley, Sisco. No: Fraser, Powell, Stettler Absent: None

The budget was approved. Some items will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**Discussion of the January 2014 Board Meeting Site**

Phoenix, AZ, Albuquerque, NM, and El Paso, TX being considered.

Meeting adjourned on Sunday, January 12th at 5:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret A. Leman  
NPGA Secretary