

ACRBA Spring Minutes

April 2, 2011

Meeting was called to order by President Marvin Richardson. Members present: Olivia Summerlot, Pam Summerlot, Clayton Stevens, Kayla Anderson, Bennie Wade, Elizabeth Moses, Abigail Moses, Aleta Hart, Steve Hart, Herman Young, Ramona Richardson, Marvin Richardson, Meridan Belcher, Alexis Brooks, Trevor Brooks, Valerie Leonard, Walt Reichert, and Diana Young. Guest: Michael Leonard, Dean Belcher, Elizabeth Reichert, and Lori Moses.

Valerie Leonard made a motion to wave reading of the minutes as they were published in the newsletter. 2nd by Pam Summerlot. Carried.

Board of Directors: Clayton commented on how great the Spring National was. We all worked together well and showed 3 times. The youth were thanked for showing and received a round of applause.

Pam Summerlot thanks everyone for showing and the sponsors for working so hard to get specials.

Committees:

Audit: Walt Reichert reported the 2010 Books were in very good shape. President Richardson appointed Walt to head the Audit Committee for 2011. Valerie Leonard and Clayton Stevens will also be on the Committee

Standards Committee: President Richardson asked Valerie Leonard if she would chair this committee. She said she would love to.

Constitution & By-Laws Committee: The only proposed change at this time is Article VIII, Section 4 under the By Laws. This needs to be changed to agree with ARBA guidelines. ARBA requires 5 members and a Chairperson. We only have 3 including the chair. The changes will be mailed with the Election Ballots.

Guide Book Committee: No report at this time. There was a discussion of using DVD's unless a hard copy is requested to save on cost.

Convention Committee: Diana Young reported the Indianapolis 2011 Superintendent: Clayton Stevens, Secretary: Diana Young, Booth Chair: Pam Summerlot. 2012 committee was tabled for Fall meeting.

National Show Committee: Ramona Richardson reported no changes on show rules at this time.

Election Committee: Lisa Straton, Leslie Ardison, and Jen Kane all of MA have volunteered to be the committee this year. Pam Summerlot made a motion to accept. Walt Reichert 2nd. Motion carried.

Reading of communications:

Diana Young reported of a census report the American Livestock Breeders Conservancy is requesting to get an accurate count in the US and outside the US. This helps them know our status as an endangered breed. She will be sending it to members soon. The report needs to be back to her by 5/15/11.

Old Business:

Diana Young reported we still need breeders for the Web Site. It is free to members and we get several inquiries through it.

New Business:

President Richardson said we need to get information to Kendal Bledsoe by the deadlines in order to get newsletter published in time. The deadlines are Jan 15th, April 15th, July 15th, and Oct 15th. He can only print what he receives.

President Richardson said we still need a director for District 3. If anyone is interested please contact him.

Clayton Stevens reported we need a new picture for the Standard of Perfection. The one currently in the standard isn't showing the correct type. Valerie Leonard asked Clayton to serve on that committee. He agreed.

National Shows: We now have a bid for the 2012 show in Fulton, New York. Valerie Leonard said they are willing to sponsor the show again. Clayton Stevens commented that last year was a very good show. It was well worth the trip to meet everyone.

We have 2 bids for the 2013 show at this time. Logan Van Allen has requested a show in California and Kentucky is having a mini convention in April and would like to sponsor the show. We have until Nov. 30 of 2012 to make this decision.

Newsletter Ads: After a discussion of prices, Pam Summerlot made a motion for the following:

Full page ad for one year \$75	½ page ad for one year \$50
¼ page ad for one year \$30	1/8 page ad for one year \$15

Walt Reichert 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Pam Summerlot said she would write a report for the newsletter about the National Show. Pam asked who the sponsors were for the show. ACRBA, Clayton Stevens, Walt Reichert, Pam Summerlot, Herman & Diana Young gave monetary donations. Richardson's Rabbitry supplied the comment cards and entry forms

Herman Young said we now have almost 30 youth members. There were 21 American Chinchillas shown in the youth show today by 8 youth members.

Bennie Wade was persuaded to be the auctioneer. He raised \$112 for the Association. Items donated were a lovely indoor rabbit weather vane, single hole carrier, needle felted rose, needle felted rabbit, and 4 crocks. . Auction items were donated by Pam Summerlot, the Young's, and K.D. Cage Company.

Diana Young suggested we could donate the monies for the auction toward youth convention awards. Pam Summerlot made a motion for the Auction Funds to be donated for the youth convention awards. 2nd by Walt Reichert. Motion Carried.

A special thank you was given to Elizabeth Reichert for all her help writing at the judge's tables today.

Meeting was adjourned

Respectfully Submitted by

Diana Young, Sec/Trea