

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP/BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY 22, 2019 - "THE BARN" COLUMBIA LOUISIANA 10AM**

10:15 am Meeting called to order by current JLGA Adult President Cindy Weaver
Roll call by current JLGA Adult Secretary Cynthia Hailey
Walter Daigle Cindy Kay **Terri Rutherford - Absent**
Cynthia Hailey Cindy Weaver
JLGA Parents in attendance
Jennifer Daigle Timmy Weaver

Financial Report given by current JLGA Adult Treasurer Cindy Kay. No discrepancies found. Pending outstanding debts for "End of Year" awards are to be paid as invoices and awards are received. Motion to accept by Walter Daigle. Second by Cynthia Hailey. All in favor. None opposed.

Filling of vacant Board Seats. Cynthia Hailey made a motion to accept the one valid candidate received from the nomination process, Becky Knapp. Motion accepted by Cindy Weaver. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

Due to the fact that there is not enough time, as per current JLGA rules, to hold another election at the upcoming March show, Cynthia Hailey made a motion to leave the seat unfilled until fall of 2019. Motion accepted by Walter Daigle. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Due to the fact for 2019 there is an even number of JLGA Board Seats filled Cynthia Hailey suggested the following: At JLGA Board meetings & "Special" meeting where only Board Members vote, IF there are an even number of the current Board members in attendance at a meeting, then current JLGA Adult President will abstain from the original vote and serve as tie breaker if the need arises. Motion accepted by Walter Daigle. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

RULE CHANGES FOR 2019 - ALL RULES GO INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY

On behalf of JLGA Parents who responded to a request for any suggestions for the 2019 Show Season, Cynthia Hailey presented all suggestions as sent to her and parents views were taken into account during short discussion that follows on each suggestion. The following suggestions were discussed and any new ruling or failure of motion is noted after each one.

Restore Open Door Policy, (to be placed under By-laws & Complaint processes were appropriate) remove complaint filing fee. Motion by Cindy Weaver to accept. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

Commercial Does - (to be placed under Show Rules & where appropriate) Motion to accept the following by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None

opposed.

For 2019 Commercial Does must **ONLY** have COM tattooed in one ear & DOE in the other. No X'd over tattoos or any other tattoos may be in the ears, Commercial Does not complying with these rules, will not be allowed to be shown. For 2019 there will be 2 Commercial Doe Divisions. Division 1 AOB INFLUENCE (Commercial Does that on appearance are more AOB influenced) and Division 2 BOER INFLUENCE (Commercial Does that on appearance are more BOER influenced). Commercial Does will be placed according to appearance at the discretion of an appointed JLGA personnel and may not be moved from one division to the other, after this placing has been made. Each Division will consist of Doelings (continued to be weighed), Yearlings, and Aged and will show as follows:

DIV 1 COMMERCIAL DOES - AOB INFLUENCE - No Div Points, class points only

DOELINGS - Light - Medium - Heavy

1st & 2nd wt class doelings will compete for Doeilng Div 1 - 1st & 2nd First & second place from Doeling Wt class drive will come back to compete during Commercial Doe Champion Drive after the conclusion of Division 2 Commercial Does Boer Influence.

YEARLINGS

1st & 2nd place will come back to compete in Overall Commercial Doe Drive, after the conclusion of Division 2 Commercial Does Boer Influence.

AGED

1st & 2nd place will come back to compete in Overall Commercial Doe Drive, after the conclusion of Division 2 Commercial Does Boer Influence.

DIVISION 2 BOER INFLUENCE - No Division Points, class points only

DOELINGS - Light - Medium - Heavy

1st & 2nd wt class doelings will compete for Doeilng Div 1 - 1st & 2nd First & second place from Doeling Wt class drive will come back to compete during Commercial Doe Champion Drive after the conclusion of Division 2 Commercial Does Boer Influence.

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COMMERCIAL DOE CHAMPION DRIVE - to consist of 6 lines as follows:

Division 1 Doelings

Division 2 Doelings

Division 1 Yearlings

Division 2 Yearlings

Division 1 Aged

Division 2 Aged

Overall Grand & Reserve Chosen - Points Given

Bayou Certified Gr. & Res Chosen - Points Given

Live streaming JLGA Meetings - Suggestion presented by Cynthia Hailey on JLGA parent's behalf. All opposed due to not enough information regarding legal aspects. **Suggestion failed.**

State Fair Double Buckle Show - suggestion presented by Cynthia Hailey on JLGA parent's behalf to discontinue Double Buckle Show. Cynthia Hailey stated that this was originally put in as a membership drive incentive and buckles are sponsored every year. All opposed. **Suggestion failed.**

Bayou Certified Status prior to start of show - (to be placed under Bayou Certified Rules and where appropriate) Several instances discussed where exhibitors and/or parents were unsure of Bayou Certified Status, resulting in awards presented to one youth and then taken back when status was confirmed and awarded to another youth. Cynthia Hailey suggested the following: Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

It is the parent's responsibility to check the posted class sheets on show day and report any discrepancies in pre-registration including missing Bayou Certification status to JLGA personnel at their time of check-in at the "Paper" check table & make sure it is noted on their check in sheets. Same applies to day of show entries. Once show starts, then no Bayou Certification status may be added to the show book for the remainder of that day.

Showmanship classes and where in show to hold those classes, showmanship ages - (to be placed under Show Rules and where appropriate) Suggested that showmanship classes be moved to the middle of the show. Reason given why showmanship is at the beginning of each show, was because the youth & goats are fresh to start off the day. Suggestion by Cindy Weaver to leave showmanship classes at the beginning of the show. Motion accepted by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

Suggestion made by Cynthia Hailey for showmanship age classes to remain as they are due to increase in cost of awards and not enough participation in some age classes. Also suggested PeeWee parents may choose to move up to the Beginner Division (7 year old class), however once they move up, then they may not move back down to PeeWees. Motion to accept by Cindy Weaver. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Fundraisers - several options were discussed including big ticket raffles. Suggestions were to continue on-line auctions. Have auctions and raffles at show when items are donated. Also to do a gift card wreath. Each family will be required to donate a \$25 gift card of their choosing. Raffle tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20 will be sold during the 2019 show season. At the end of the season one winner will be chosen to receive the wreath of cards. Motion to accept by Cindy Weaver. Second by

Cynthia Hailey. All in favor. None opposed.

Younger Siblings being allowed to show older siblings goats that are still in the older siblings name - As presented on parents behalf, several have requested that siblings younger than 4-H age, be allowed to show their older siblings goats (still in that older siblings name) with the JLGA in the appropriate class & count the points in that younger sibling's name. Short discussion followed on whether or not this proposal would break possession or not. It was agreed upon it would not if it was in the same family. Walter Daigle presented the following motion to be accepted:

JLGA Youth who are 8 and under as of January 1 of the year they are wishing to show, may show another sibling's or youth family member's goat, while it is in the older youth's name. The younger youth may count the points. However, a hardship must be declared and on file with the JLGA Adult Secretary before the start of the first show of the season the parents of the younger youth plan to for them to show under these circumstances. On the hardship the goat must be designated to that younger youth and will remain under that youth for that show season. Once youth turn 9 as of January 1, then they must have goats registered in their name only. Motion to accept by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Combining of low participation classes Pygmy Bucks & Nigerian Dwarf Bucks - Due to the low participation over the last several years, for the 2019 Show Season Pygmy Bucks will be combined with the AOB Bucks as a division and Nigerian Dwarf Bucks will be combined with the Dairy Bucks as a division. Classes will be as follows:

AOB BUCKS

AOB BUCKS - Division 1 - Any other Fullblood Breed Buck than Boer, Dairy, or Pygmy.

0-u3

3-u6

6-u9

9-u12

Junior Champions Chosen

12-u18

18-u24

24-u36

36+

Senior Champions Chosen

AOB BUCKS - Division 2 Pygmy Bucks

0-u3

3-u6

6-u9

9-u12

Junior Champions Chosen

12-u18

18-u24

24-u36

36+

Senior Champions Chosen

AOB CHAMPION BUCK DRIVE

Division 1 Junior Champions

Division 2 Junior Champions

Division 1 Senior Champions

Division 2 Senior Champions

AOB OVERALL GR & RES CHAMPIONS

AOB BAYOU CERTIFIED GR & RES CHAMPIONS

NIGERIAN DWARF BUCKS

DAIRY BUCKS - Div 1 - Any other Fullblood Breed Dairy Buck

0-u3

3-u6

6-u9

9-u12

Junior Champions Chosen

12-u18

18-u24

24-u36

36+

Senior Champions Chosen

DAIRY BUCKS - Division 2 Nigerian Dwarf Bucks

0-u3

3-u6

6-u9

9-u12

Junior Champions Chosen

12-u18

18-u24

24-u36

36+

Senior Champions Chosen

DAIRY CHAMPION BUCK DRIVE

Division 1 Junior Champions

Division 2 Junior Champions

Division 1 Senior Champions

Division 2 Senior Champions

AOB OVERALL GR & RES CHAMPIONS

AOB BAYOU CERTIFIED GR & RES CHAMPIONS

Additionally Cindy Kay suggested that IF specific sponsorship was received for "End of Year"

awards regarding Pygmy Bucks and Nigerian Dwarf Bucks, those breeds would be separated out of the combined classes and have their own set of "End of Year" awards, providing sponsorship is received no later than November 1, 2019. Motion to accept by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Low participation in Percentage Boer Doe Classes - Adult Show Secretary Cynthia Hailey noted there was a sharp decrease in Percentage Doe numbers starting with JLGA Show #4. A short discussion was held as to possible reason behind this decline. Motion made by Cindy Weaver, due to extenuating circumstances, to not combine Percentage Boer Does this year 2019. However they will go on notice and if numbers cannot show a significant increase during the 2019 show season, then they will be combined with the Fullblood Doe Classes for 2020 JLGA Show Season. Motion accepted by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Allow youth who will turn 2 after January 1 to start showing IF they are walking - Suggestion by Cynthia Hailey to amend the age limit as follows:

Youth who are 1 as of January 1 of the year their parents wish for them to start showing, may start showing before they turn 2 IF they are walking and able to walk alongside a youth healer and if the parent's provide them with an age & size appropriate goat. Motion to accept by Walter Daigle. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Allow siblings to show siblings goats IF they are sick even if they can't be at the show - the following was suggested by Cynthia to be added under Illness or Injury & 4-H Hardship:

In case of illness or injury a youth may get another youth to show their goats. Parent's of these youth must notify JLGA Adult Show Secretary as soon as possible if the need arises.

Addition suggestion by Becky Knapp. Limit 2 Hardships per youth per year. Either 2 Illness or injury hardships or 2 4-H conflicting hardships, or a combination of Illness or Injury and 4-H conflicting event hardship. Motion to accept by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

AOB Wether Class - numbers support this class. Cynthia Hailey suggested the continuation of this class. Motion to accept by Cindy Kay. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Youth Officers - Suggestion by parent to make sure youth officers help during shows. Cynthia informed the board that it was in the rules that they had to help out in the ring and are required to sign in at each show they attend.

Also suggested to lower officer age to 11. Cindy Weaver suggested we lower the age to 4-H age in order to give the younger ones a change to start learning. Officers would

need to be 9 as of January 1 of the year they are wishing to run for any JLGA youth officers position. Motion to accept by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Quicker turn around on posting points to allow to corrections - Cynthia Hailey reminded the Board Members & members present that there were no corrections allowed on show placings unless they were recorded wrong from the show book for that day OR it was a mathematical error. Once placings are recorded in that day's show book, that becomes the show record and the only exception to changing placings is in the event JLGA personnel working books for that class recorded the placing wrong and it must be able to be proved with pictures. No exceptions. Motion made Cynthia Hailey to continue rules as written regarding this matter. Accepted by Cindy Weaver. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Better advertisement for shows - Suggested by parent to reach out to 4-H and local businesses with flyers for upcoming shows in their area. Suggestion by Cynthia Hailey that all flyers must be approved before going out, to make sure there is no conflicting information. Motion to accept by Walter Daigle. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Pre-registration, Registration day of show & Late Fees - Suggested to require everyone to pre-register. Concern was that sometimes we have spur of moment entries and that would cut out those. Suggestion by Cynthia Hailey to raise late fees to \$5.00 per entry including showmanship entries to try and encourage most pre-registrations. Motion by Becky Knapp to accept. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Suggestion to leave registration and check-in open till noon - pros and cons discussed regarding this issue. Motion made by Cindy Weaver to leave registration times as they were. Motion accepted by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None Opposed.

New pre-registration process - Due to numerous problems with the online pre-registration forms on the JLGA website. Cynthia Hailey suggested a new pre-registration process on the JLGA Facebook page. Motion to accept by Cindy Kay. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

Membership Numbers - Cindy Weaver suggested that since we are a youth association, that we assign membership numbers that can be used to refer to memberships without listing the youth's name. Motion to accept by Cynthia Hailey. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

JLGA By-Law #3 - Section 2 - JLGA Adult Secretary suggested the following amendment; General Membership meeting to be held prior to start of the next show season to finalize upcoming show season. This meeting may or may not be held at the last show of the season. Board Meetings will take place as the need arises. Motion to accept by Cindy Kay. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

By-Law #10 Notification of Disciplinary Action - the following missing information on Facebook page to be added back: ...right after are to be notified by JLGA President or the current JLGA Adult Secretary on behalf of the JLGA Board as a whole. Remove part regarding conference calls, not always easy to get service everywhere. Also add by the following missing information ...They may send documents and information pertinent to their issue to the current JLGA Adult Secretary to be present on their behalf at the appointed disciplinary meeting. Motion to accept by Cindy Weaver. Second by Cindy Kay. All in favor. None opposed.

By-Law #14 - Complaint Process - Cynthia Hailey suggested since we are going to have an Open Door Policy again, then there is not need for Questionnaires or Complaint forms and ask that this section be removed. Also under complaints, remove \$100 filing fee. Motion to accept by Cindy Weaver. Second by Becky Knapp. All in favor. None opposed.

By-Law #15 - Code of Conduct - Due to the fact that we are a youth association and our members are minors, responsibility of upholding JLGA rules falls to the parents. Cynthia Hailey suggested the following be added to this section:

- 1, Adult Code of Conduct: Due to the fact that the Junior Louisiana Goat Association is a youth association and its members are minors, it is the responsibility of ALL JLGA Youth Exhibitor's Parents and/or Legal Guardians to make sure they read and are familiar with all JLGA Rules, etc. Upon paying membership and entry fees, all said Adults are agreeing to abide by all JLGA Rules, etc. IF it is found at any time that there was a JLGA Rules infraction including but not limited to missing information not provided, misrepresentation of information presented, poor sportsmanship, disruptive behavior, etc on part of the exhibitor or Parent or Legal Guardian, the Parent or Legal Guardian will be the responsible party for any disciplinary action that may be taken.
2. Youth Code of Conduct: It is the responsibility of ALL JLGA Exhibitors to exhibit, good sportsmanship and be respectful to their fellow exhibitors and all adults.

Under General Show Information & where appropriate - JLGA Personnel working "Paper" check table, will take pics of ALL registrations, pending registrations, pending transfers, and pending amendments at each and every show. Copies will not be require this year.

Show Order - will continue to rotate with the exception of the State Fair Show.

Update Board Members information at the bottom of this page.

Motion to accept the above under ***General Show Information*** by Walter Daigle.
Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None opposed.

Under JLGA Show Rules - Section 2 - take out bringing copies and add rule put in place in

2018 about 15 days to get registration papers completed. Remove rule that states paperwork must be completed before last show of the season. Add as Rule #5 under Pending Registration Paperwork: All rules and updates are posted first to the JLGA Facebook page in the files section and those rules supersede any rules posted anywhere else.

Under Section 8 - Health Regulations: Add under this section that Health Papers will be checked and a copy to be retained at the "Paper" table at each and every JLGA Show.

Under Section 7 Protect & Appeals: Remove the filing fee.

Under Section 11 Breeding Goats: Rule 5 Breeding Goat Classes: Add new Classes for 2019

Under Section 12A AOB Bucks & Does - Pygmy Bucks to be added to AOB Bucks as a division.

Under Section 12B - Dairy Bucks & Does - Nigerian Dwarf Bucks to be added to Dairy Bucks as a division.

Under Section 14 Adding and Removing JLGA Goat Classes: Update with list of 2019 Classes.

Motion to accept the above under ***JLGA Show Rules*** by Cindy Weaver. Second by Walter Daigle. All in favor. None opposed.

Under JLGA "End of Year" Awards, Show Season Rules, Requirements and 2018 Show Season specifics - update to 2019

Under Point System - add the following: Once JLGA Shows are concluded, the JLGA Secretary will post all points according to placings noted in that shows class page book. Once points are recorded in the show book and in the points tables, points cannot be changed. The only exception is if there is proof of a misrecording of points, backed up by picture evidence that clearly shows the goat and the correct placing or if there is a mathematical error.

Motion to accept by Walter Daigle. Second by Cindy Weaver. All in favor. None Opposed.

1 pm General Membership/Board Meeting adjourned.