## **ABS Board of Directors Meeting AA 2016**

Board Members Present: David Hyatt, Ron Sweere, Duane Walton, Larry Moore, Luemma McWilliams, Mike Dahl, D1 Proxy Bill Birney, D2 Julia Howard, D3 Proxy Dinah Moore, D4 Larry Allen, D5 Proxy Jeff McWilliams, D6 Mary Ann Silva, D7 Absent, D8 Larry Harrell

Called to order- David Hyatt

Invocation- Mary Ann Silva

Welcome- David Hyatt

2017 AA in Wisconsin July 6-8 Motion to accept by Mary Silva, Seconded by Bill Birney. Passed Unanimous.

2018 AA in Illinois, Central Illinois, Duane Walton-Motion to accept by Mike Dahl Seconded by Larry Moore Passed Unanimous.

### **BY-LAWS**

Motion to open By Laws made by Dinah Moore, Seconded by Bill Birney. Passed Unanimous.

Motion to formalize the previous clarification that an ABS Panel Judge shall only judge a budgie show within the United States for a club that has affiliated with ABS for that year, has that show within the U.S. and has been granted patronage for that show. This will not prevent an ABS judge from judging a show outside the U.S.

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Motion to formally remove the word "domestic" from all Resolutions and By Laws concerning judges being members on any other judge's panel. The only exception is the WBO. Failure to comply will result in immediate suspension from the ABS judges' panel.

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Motion to remove the word "domestic" from Resolution 6.

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Motion to change the word "should" to "shall" in Article XI #2. The last sentence will now be, "If a District does not have an ABS Show in a calendar year or a specially-called District Meeting, the Director *shall* not have a vote at the All-American."

Motion to change made by Bill Birney, Seconded by Duane Walton. Passed Unanimous.

### RESOLUTIONS

Section 14 – Membership, Paragraph h

Motion to add the statement that Lifetime memberships are no longer offered.

Motion made by Dinah Moore and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Section 15 – Patronage, Paragraph a

Motion to remove "for a nonaffiliated club" -- replace with "for an affiliated club." This reflects the fact that ABS Judges can only judge ABS shows with patronage hosted by affiliated clubs. Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Section 15 – Patronage, Paragraph c

Motion to note the deletion of this entire Paragraph. Non-affilitated clubs may no longer purchase ABS awards.

Motion made by Dinah Moore and Seconded by Larry Allen. Passed Unanimous.

Section 15 – Patronage, Paragraph e

Replace the paragraph, stating that ABS Plaques are no longer offered to nonaffiliated clubs. Motion made by Dinah Moore and Seconded by Larry Allen. Passed Unanimous.

Section 16 -- Judges' Panel, Paragraph a.

Remove "domestic" and add "with exception of the WBO." The new wording is: "ABS Judges shall not be an Officer or Board Member of any other National Budgerigar Organization with the exception of the WBO."

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Dinah Moore. Passed Unanimous.

Section 16 – Judges' Panel, Paragraph c.

Remove "amended to limit the report to ½ page." Judge's show narrative will not have a limit. Motion made by Dinah Moore and Seconded by Larry Allen. Passed Unanimous.

Section 16 -- Judges Panel, Paragraph mm.

Amend the paragraph to read, "The Judges Panel requires that new ABS Judges must be ABS Classifiers."

Motion made by Larry Moore and Seconded by Ron Sweere. Passed Unanimous.

Section 17 -- Classifiers Paragraphr b.

Change 100% to 90% per action taken at the 2015 AA. The last sentence reads, "To successfully pass the classifiers exam a score of 90% will be necessary."

Section 19 -- Products, Paragraph a.

Add "ABS will no longer produce..." in reference to the Eric Peake Variety 22" x 30" poster. Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Dinah Moore. Passed Unanimous.

#### **BY-LAWS**

Article Three, Paragraph 1

Motion to amend as follows: Assign Eastern Canada to District 1, and assign Western Canada to District 8. The areas that were formerly in District 1 and 2 are now in District 1, and those areas that were in District 4 and 12 are now with District 8.

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Larry Harrell. Passed Unanimous.

### **Motions from District Meetings**

Motion 1 – Revise Section 25, adding classes for more specific varieties Recommendation to send to classifiers
Moved by D.Walton, Second M. Dahl. Passed Unanimous

Motion 2 – To eliminate the clocks for EOY in Jr. N and I and replace with 3 plaques for those awards.

Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Larry Moore.

Passed: 2 opposed (Luemma McWilliams and Julia Howard), all others voted yes.

Motion to Change EOY awards and AA Awards to the top 5 in each division Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Larry Moore.

Passed: 2 opposed (Luemma McWilliams and Julia Howard), all other voted yes.

Motion to adjourn until 9 am by Dinah Moore, Seconded by Ron Sweere. Passed Unanimous

## Called to order Friday AM

Roll Call- David Hyatt, Ron Sweere, Duane Walton, Larry Moore, Luemma McWilliams, Mike Dahl, D1 Proxy Bill Birney, D2 Julia Howard, D3 Proxy Dinah Moore, D4 Larry Allen, D5 Proxy Jeff McWilliams, D6 Mary Ann Silva, D7 Absent, D8 Larry Harrell

Motion to clarify that the awards for EOY points accumulated in 2016 for the 2017 AA EOY Award Presentation will be awarded as in the past; awards to be given in 2018 for points accumulated in 2017 will follow the new guidelines.

Motion made by Duane Walton, Seconded by Dinah Moore.

Motion for clarification- passed unanimous

Motion 3 from Districts. – Concerning members eligible to enter the Judges' Training Program. "District Directors to send an annual list of Champion exhibitors in their District may be eligible to enter the Judges Training Program directly to the Chairman of the Judges Panel." Motion made by Bill Birney, Seconded by Mike Dahl Passed Unanimous.

Motion 4 from Districts – Concerning Band size

Motion to keep the band size the same.

Motion made by Mary Ann Silva, Seconded by Duane Walton Passed Unanimous.

Motion 5 from the Districts – Concerning readability of current bands.

Motion to table the issue pending the band manufacture's research on readability and availability. The next few years are readable colors, and that gives us time to research possible solutions.

Motion made by Duane Walton and seconded by Ron Sweere. Passed Unanimous.

Motion 6 from the Districts - Concerning ABS officials' exclusive use of ABS bands. Motion that ABS not require exclusive use of ABS Bands for members serving in elected or appointed positions.

Motion made by Dinah Moore, Seconded by Larry Moore.

Vote yes- Dinah Moore, Voting no all others in attendance. Motion Failed.

Motion 7 from the Districts - Update and Publish ABS Flyer for new member recruitment Motion made by Duane Walton, Seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Passed Unanimous.

Motion 8 from the Districts - To better align ABS with BAA rules regarding points toward Breeder/Exhibitor of the year awards, a club must be affiliated with ABS and an ABS Patronage form must be turned in at least 2 months prior to the scheduled show.

Motion made by Ron Sweere, Seconded by Larry Moore. All voted NO- All Opposed- Failed.

Motion 9 from the Districts - ABS offer aluminum leg bands in the same color as the plastic bands as an option to those tired of trying to read the numbers on the plastic bands. Motion to table and allow the band manager to look into the possibility of this option. Motion made by Duane Walton. Seconded by Larry Moore. Passed Unanimous.

# Motions not allowed to be brought up this year as they were voted on previously-

Replace ABS Plaque with medallions to save on expenses.

ABS Best in Show Award to be awarded to the Best in Show winner without regard to the domestic society band.

### **New Business:**

Motion that the term limit of the HOF Chairperson will be four years, with unlimited terms. Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva.

Vote – 1 opposed (Larry Moore), I abstained (Bill Birney), all others voted Yes- Motion passed.

Registration question about Registering Rares. There are registration guidelines for registering Rare birds. The 2003 updated Registration Information will be added to the website.

Motion to adjourn made by Ron Sweere. Seconded by Luemma McWilliams

# **General Meeting-**

Announcements:

All American will be held next year in Wisconsin in July 6-9. Classifiers will be taking the test tonight. (September 16)

## **Board of Director's Final Meeting**

Roll Call – All Present as before and add Gary Hicken

Called to order by David Hyatt

Motion to open By Laws made by Ron Sweere and Seconded by Mike Dahl, All in favor- yes Motions returned from the Judges panel:

A. Motion made by Standards Committee to accept the additional classes in Section 25:

<u>Old</u>	<b>Young</b>	Section 25 A.O.V. Composite	<u>Old</u>	<b>Young</b>
<u>Cocks</u>	<u>Cocks</u>		<u>Hens</u>	<u>Hens</u>
2501	2502	Composite	2503	2504
	(any two or more rare varieties, including Frosted Pieds)			
2505	2506	Anthracite, All	2507	2508
2509	2510	Slate, All	2511	2512
2513	2514	AOV	2515	2516

(includes Brownwing and Saddleback)

Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Duane Walton Passed Unanimous.

- B. Motion to have a Best in Variety award for Best Albino and a Best in Variety award for Best Yellow Face Albino.
  - Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Ron Sweere. Passed Unanimous.
- C. Motion to have a Variety Award for Best Single Factor Spangle and a Variety award for Best Double Factor Spangle.
  - Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Mike Dahl.

Motion passed with one abstention (Mary Ann Silva), all others voted yes.

- D. Motion to continue WBO affiliation for 2017 with no break in affiliation.
   Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Larry Moore. Passed Unanimous.
- E. To **remove** the entire paragraph regarding Absentee Ballot for members of the Judging Panel from the Resolutions and continue to not allow proxy votes from the Judges Panel.

That an active ABS judge in good standing shall be allowed to vote by absentee ballot on all motions that pertain to the ABS Judges Panel General Rules and By Laws. The vote applies only to original motions as presented on the judge's agenda or written by an absentee judge to be placed on the agenda at any All American or when a special meeting is called where voting is taking place. The absentee judge's ballot must be sent to the judge's secretary one week prior to the annual and/or special meeting either by email or mail. A mailed ballot requires a judge's signature.

Motion made by Bill Birney and Seconded by Larry Moore Vote Passed, One against (Gary Hicken), all others voted yes.

AA. Motion to modify affiliation form to include:

Affiliation \$100.00

Affiliation with insurance \$150.00

Additional Insured adding Show hall and/or meeting place \$50.00

Discount for having a show in 2016 -\$25.00

Motion made by Duane Walton, Seconded by Larry Allen, Passed Unanimous.

BB. Motion to offer no new Free Lifetime memberships for Past President and or Hall of Fame Members from this day forward.,

Motion by Mary Ann Silva Seconded by Jeff McWilliams. Passed Unanimous.

It was suggested to put an article in Bulletin: Attention to Lifetime Members- Respond to continue receiving the Bulletin by contacting the ABS Secretary.

CC. Motion made by Larry Moore to close the By Laws Session. Seconded by Ron Sweere. Passed Unanimous.

Motion to adjourn by Ron Sweere and Seconded by Bill Birney 9:20 pm.