

ABS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2017

7:55 pm

Members Present: David Hyatt, Ron Sweere, Duane Walton, Luemma McWilliams, Mike Dahl, Jeff McWilliams (proxy D1), Larry Allen, Jack Kaylor, Mary Ann Silva, Gary Hicken, Barb Sweere (proxy D8)

Absent: Larry Moore, Paige Gover, Julia Howard

Meeting called to order by ABS President David Hyatt.

Gary Hicken made motion to accept 2016 minutes, Mike Dahl Seconded. Passed Unanimously
Current Status of ABS Given, 372 members strong.

2018 All American will be held September 26-30, Theme: "Back Home Again"

Motion made by Mary Ann Silva for Rhode Island Budgerigar Society to host the 2019 All American, Seconded by Larry Allen, Passed Unanimously

Motions Brought by District Meetings:

Motion made by Gary Hicken- "For ABS to allow other panel judges from other domestic organizations to judge ABS shows, and for ABS judges to be allowed to judge other domestic organizations shows without penalty." Died for lack of second.

Motion made by Gary Hicken-"That ABS members will be issued bands after December 1st." Died for lack of second.

Motion made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Gary Hicken-"The Directors Thursday night meeting of the All American may forgo, at the discretion of the hosting club, the "dinner", but still have the meeting, and that the \$500 cost savings may be retained by the host club to be applied to the other costs of putting on the All American." Passed Unanimously.

Motion made by Larry Allen and seconded by Mary Ann Silva. "Take out of By Laws the reimbursement of \$300 annually to the President of ABS for the purpose of making long distance phone calls." Passed Unanimously

Motion made by Larry Allen and seconded by Luemma McWilliams- "Reinstate the EOY and AA Awards back to the 1st through 10 places effective majority date." Vote 6 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained

Motion made by Luemma McWilliams and seconded by Gary Hicken to "Obtain Sponsorship of EOY and AA awards and placing the names of sponsors in the bulletin." Passed Unanimously

New Business:

Sent to the Directors from the Executive Committee- David Collier as the new Treasurer of ABS.
Vote is Unanimous

Motion made by L. McWilliams and seconded by Ron Sweere, "To add three members at large to the Board of Directors." Vote 1 yes, 5 no, 4 abstained. Motion Failed.

Motion made by Mary Ann Silva and Seconded by Jeff McWilliams-"The ABS Secretary must receive all nominations from the Annual District Meetings of Members of ABS nominated for office. The District Secretary shall report the name of the nominee, the office to which nominated, and the number of members voting for his/her nomination. The Board of Directors shall vote to confirm and approve, or disapprove, the nominees for the Executive Committee positions for the reelection period every four years at the All American preceding the beginning of the year that those positions are filled. The nominees for the Executive Committee positions shall be restricted to only those nominees that are confirmed and approved by the Board of Directors at the All American as previously mentioned." Vote- yes 6, opposed, 2 (Hicken, Walton,) Abstained (Dahl, R. Sweere) Passed

Motion to adjourn by Mary Ann Silva and Seconded by Ron Sweere.

Meeting Called to order July 8, 2017

Roll Call- All Present except David Collier (just put in as Treasurer last night), Paige Gover.

Motion made to open By Laws by Ron Sweere and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva

Motions brought forth from last night's meeting to be changed in By-Laws:

Motions made by Larry Allen and seconded by Ron Sweere

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Motion to close By Laws Session made by Larry Allen and Seconded by Mary Ann Silva.

Qualifying Candidates for Executive Committee Positions:

Judges Panel Chairman-Mike Dahl-

Treasurer- David Collier-

Second VP- Duane Walton

First VP- Ron Sweere and Arsham Ohanis

President- David Hyatt

Request made by Mary Ann Silva to serve as representative to WBO in Hungary November 17, 2017 at her own expense. Motion to approve made by Mike Dahl and Seconded by Jeff McWilliams, Passed Unanimously

Motion from the Judges Panel “The ABS Judges Panel would like to donate 250.00 to the 2018 All American to help with expenses.

Motion to adjourn made by Ron Sweere and Seconded by Jeff McWilliams

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