

American Budgerigar Society, District #5 Annual Meeting  
Host Club: Florida United Budgie Breeders  
Sunday, August 5, 2012, Tampa, FL

Meeting was called to order at 12:01 PM by District V Director, Vince Menendez.

Attendees: Katie Faedo, Vince Menendez, Holley Brennan, Henry Timmes, Walter Howard, Bernice O'Steen, David Eberst, Larry Barnes, Eduardo Rodes and Richard Faedo.

The minutes from the meeting of June 11, 2011 were read by Holley Brennan. A motion was made by David Eberst and seconded by Katie Faedo that the minutes be approved as read. The motion was passed.

Old Business: A discussion was had regarding minutes from 2011 and the motions that were made in that meeting.

Motion number 6 from the minutes of June 11, 2011 was again made in this meeting by Richard Faedo, but modified as follows: That any ABS show judged by a foreign judge not be required to have an ABS judge sign off on show protocols and procedural paperwork, and that instead, the Show Chairman, Show Secretary or Chief Stewart approve the paperwork and thus save clubs the expense of an ABS Judge's presence. The motion was seconded by David Eberst. The motion was passed.

New Business: Following numerous discussions the following motions were presented:

1. A motion was made by Vince Menendez and seconded by David Eberst that the terms of office for all Executive Committee and District Directors are two years. The motion was passed,
2. A motion was made by David Eberst and seconded by Walt Howard that the office of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President is eliminated and its official duties given to the Past President. The motion was passed.
3. A motion was made by David Eberst and seconded by Bernice O'Steen that an active Board Member in good standing be allowed to vote by telephone conference call or via the internet on motions and issues voted on by the Board of Directors. The motion was passed.
4. A motion was made by Larry Barnes and seconded by Katie Faedo that an ABS/BAA committee consisting of 5 persons from each organization (10 total) be selected to determine ways to best unite the hobby. The motion was passed.
5. A motion was made by Holley Brennan and seconded by Henry Timmes that any WBO Judge in good standing with the WBO may judge an ABS sanctioned show, and the Show Chairman, Show Secretary or Chief Steward may certify the results for points and all other ABS awards. The motion was passed.
6. A motion was made by Dave Eberst and seconded by Holley Brennan that all motions presented to the Board of Directors by the Districts must be voted on by the Board of Directors at the All American with no tabling for committees. The motion was passed.
7. A motion was made by Dave Eberst and seconded by Vince Menendez that any motion made by the Judges Panel be published both on the ABS website and in the ABS Bulletin and voted on by the Board of Directors at the following year's national meeting.

8. A motion was made by Holley Brennan and seconded by Bernice O'Steen that the By-Laws be changed as follows:

From: "Only ABS banded birds be eligible for any tangible awards. This includes Best in Show ribbons, Best Intermediate ribbons, Best Novice ribbons, certificates and exhibitor of the Year. All birds banded with 2000 bands are excluded effective January 1, 2001."

To: "Only ABS banded birds are eligible for Exhibitor of the Year. All other ABS awards will be presented to the winners with bands from a recognized organization."

The motion was passed.

9. A motion was made by Larry Barnes and seconded by Richard Faedo that the By-Laws be changed as follows:

Delete, rescind or abolish the following By-Law:

"The Directors of the ABS Corporation may become members of other budgerigar societies but shall not be an Officer (Board Governor/Director, or Judge) of another Domestic National Budgerigar Organization."

The motion was passed.

10. A motion was made by Dave Eberst and seconded by Katie Faedo that the By-laws be changed as follows:

Delete, rescind or abolish the following By-Law:

"All members of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, appointed Committee members and appointed positions must band exclusively with ABS bands."

The motion was passed.

Vince Menendez will be representing District 5 at the All American and is given authority to make decisions on behalf of District V.

Walter Howard suggested the remaining motions made in the 2012 meeting be tabled to another date or be voted on by e-mail.

A motion to adjourn was made at 1:10 PM by David Eberst and seconded by Holley Brennan.

Respectfully submitted:

Vince Menendez, ABS District #5 Director.