



Minutes of AAA Board Videoconference

13 June 2023

Via zoom

1. CONVENING OF MEETING

WELCOME President Brett Fallon opened the meeting at 8.17 am.

PRESENT: Brett Fallon, Mick Williams (arrived at 8.23), Annemarie Ashton-Wyatt, Julie Wilkinson, Carolyn Austin, Alexandra Maramenides, Andy Bousie, Sue Harris

APOLOGIES: Lee Sadler

GUESTS:

MINUTE TAKER: Tanya Wheeler

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND WHS

2.1. REGISTER OF DECLARATION OF INTEREST - It was noted by the Chair that the Register was to be used by directors for any listed agenda items or anomalies that arise during the meeting where an interest needs to be declared.

2.2. WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY WHS Nil reported.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Draft minutes of 13 May 2023

B23MM30 The Board RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the AAA Board video conferences held 13 May 2023 as true and correct record.

4. BUSINESS ARISING

5. GOVERNANCE

Policy review – Privacy

Discussion about the policy update generally. A number of formatting and general changes were requested.

BM23M31 The Board RESOLVED to accept this updated policy with amendments and to be reviewed within 3 months.

6. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

6.1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No update this month.

6.2. FINANCIAL REPORT

- All Bank Accounts have been reconciled to 31/05/2023.
- PAYG all been lodged and paid.
- Superannuation for the March quarter is lodged & paid.
- All known invoices are entered & paid.

Research and Development, Education, Youth, Showing and Judging all have separate Reserves of funds outside of the Recurrent Budget that can be used to fund new initiatives.

The board discussed the current fees. All transfer fees to be reduced. Cost for multiple ownerships to be reduced to the same as transfer fees.

BM23M32 The Board RESOLVED to accept the treasures report.

BM23M33 The Board RESOLVED to accept the budget with revisions.

BM23M34 The Board RESOLVED to accept the reduction of transfer fees and multi ownerships costs to \$35 and the cost of batch transfer to 10 to 20 is \$30, 21 to 50 is \$25 and over 51 is \$15.

7. BOARD ACTIONS / PROJECTS

7.1 Education

7.2 Sustainability

7.3 MATC update

Drop pathway discussions via NZ, concentrate on Third Country Status. Strengthen position by creating reference groups.

- Exporters
- Breeders
- Buyers
- Agents – Freight Forwarders

Referred to next meeting.

7.4 SJC update

Annual Judge Training – additional funds to apprentice funds already discussed in SJC's previous paper. Requesting \$20,000 allocated to do a 2-day training weekend.

Judge Pins – Service pins for Judges, proposed 5, 10, 15, 20 & 25 years.

The board discussed extending this to look to reward other volunteers such as convenors and stewards for example.

Shane Carey – Senior Judge appointment

SJC put up a paper to appoint Shane Carey as a senior judge.

Referred back for further information.

Apprentice satisfaction survey

The board noted that it is a great idea to have the survey and noted the results. Noted that there was comment on the support to apprentices financially.

Resignation from Deb Trostian from the SJC

Seeking approval to do an Expression of Interest.

Showing and judging manual

In depth discussion regarding the changes to the Showing and Judging Manual submitted from SJC. Request to SJC to brief members with the detail of these changes and a basis of why these changes are important.

BM23M35 The Board RESOLVED to accept:

- 1) the amended showing and judging manual with the changes,
- 2) the request for \$20,000 for judge training,
- 3) the request for judge pins for 5, 10, 15, 20 & 25 years service,
- 4) EOI for replacement position on SJC.

7.5 Fibre & Market update

7.6 eAlpaca update

The board discussed the proposed formats for Pedigree Certificates and Pedigree Histories showing NLIS registration and/or IAR details where applicable.

Special classes in shows. It was proposed by Nathan that there could be a special class set up to be administered or organised by the convenor. Commercial fleece class for Suris. Response to come.

Held over to next meeting.

BM23M36 The Board resolved to accept the proposed pedigree certificate.

7.6 R & D update

7.6 Animal Health update

8. Actions/Project reports

NLIS

SAFEMEAT Advisory Group meeting was 31st May. The paper presented by Rob Barwell at AHA went through with minimal issues or questions and the Business Rules are off to SAFEMEAT Partners for endorsing/agreeing.

There was a bit of discussion around llamas, and particularly their microchip idea. ISC representative said she had not heard from the LLA recently, so sounds like they may well have just given up on proceeding with it at this stage.

The Chair thanked AAA & AHA for all the work and persistence on this in recent times.

The SAFEMEAT Partners meet on the 29th June.

The board noted the information.

eAlpaca and Ag Societies

Types of shows Version VI

The board discussed the issues with the shows and amended version VI. It will go to the SJC and then to the regional committees.

9. Any other business

Toowoomba Show

Discussed the letter sent by the SQNNW and Queensland Regional Committees. The office will include the results in ealpaca for the 2023 Toowoomba Show.

A written response will be sent in response to the letter dated 30 May 2023.

Next meeting:

11th of July 2023 at 8 am

Meeting closed 1.52 pm.