

**IMG
BOARD MINUTES
SEPT. 16,2006**

The meeting called to order by Clause Miller on a conference call at 7AM. Those board members present were Clause Miller, Chris Fleming, Jodie Boen, Dave Frueh and guest Dave Thomas.

Bernie Schwartz, Jen Miller, Roy Morrell and Penny Hamell were absent and there is one vacancy.

Minutes of the August meeting were approved with no additions or corrections.

Because of the absence of Penny, there was no financial report.

The Stars Over Southern Illinois show at Highland, IL. for Sept. 30 was discussed. Sponsors for the show include ABGA, Hubbard Feeds, Farm Credit Services for sure and possibly Highland Chamber of Commerce and Rural King. Rules entry forms, classes and a flyer are on the website and can be printed out. Clause is to check and see why the new display board from ABGA has not arrived and to check with Penny to see if the chairs for Grand and Reserves Champions have been ordered.

Clause reported that he had talked to Marvin Miller, Arthur Sale Barn, and has confirmed the date of Nov. 4 for IMG seminar and Marvin's sale. Marvin stated that he has 100 goats coming from one breeder in Ark. and 50 from another breeder. Jen had sent an e-mail saying Dr. Tessa Marshall, University of Ill., is confirmed for the seminar and will be bringing some interns and residents with her for the program. The program will be from 9 AM until 11 AM with Q & A time to follow. Suggested topics are nematodes, coccidia, lice, pinkeye, orf, Cl, drug residues and management practices. We need to make room on the program for a representative from ADM because of their sponsorship of several of our shows.

Clause stated that he has checked with Louderman's west of Macomb about the possibility of having our spring fling at their facility. They have not yet gotten back to me with prices or available dates. Larry Martin wants \$1000 if we have it there which includes pen setup, take down and cleanup.

The annual meeting is scheduled for Shakey's Pizza in Springfield on Jan 20, 2007 and it was decided to invite those who helped sponsor our shows during 2006 and present them with some sort of plaque for recognition and thank you. It was also

suggested that we have a motivational speaker and Dennis Sparks was mentioned. More on that next month.

Jen reported by letter that she attended the meeting in Toulon and that there were only 4 goat farmers that showed up.

Derek Hall has requested a copy of our board meeting minutes. After discussing this at length it was decided to post the minutes on the website so that they would be available to anyone interested. It was also reiterated that the board meetings are open to any member to attend.

It was brought up that at the Sale of Champions at the Illinois State Fair that the champion goat only brought \$2000. Whereas this is a start, we are disappointed that it did not bring more considering the fact that the champion Rabbit brought \$4500 and the champion chicken \$5000. Durinda Kirby is to be contacted to discuss this situation and what we can do to help make it better next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8 AM

Written by Clause Miller