

**ABBA Board of Director Meeting**  
**October 5, 2021 - GoTo Meeting**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**     Craig Fontenot, President  
                                  Larry Barthle, Vice President

**STAFF:**                     Joe W. Mask, PhD, Executive Vice President  
                                  Morgan Thomas, Director of Communications/ Youth  
                                  HC Neel, IV, Director of Association Services  
                                  Iridiana Ibarra-Leal, Registrations/ Transfers  
                                  Frank Carol, ABBA Counsel

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Alfredo Muskus, Jr.	Joe Ward	Steve Wilkins
Josefina Muskus	Glenn Ruschhaupt	Alberto Banuet
William E. Fenn	Patricia Collins	Rodolpho Pacheco
Carl Lambert	Scott Satterfield	Angela Rose
Terry Novak	Kelvin Moreno	Wes Schneider
Milton Charanza, Jr.	Zach Tappan	
Barry Smith	Samuel Duplantis	
Randall Tipp	John E. Goode	
Charolette Smith	David Miller	
Mark Forgason	Carson Watkins	
Sam Sparks	Larry Barthle	
Carl Glass Jr	Ricky Booth	
Daniel Acevedo	Larry Ford	
O.W. Schneider	Danny Hughes	

**PAST PRESIDENTS PRESENT:**

Marcus Shackelford	J.D. Sartwelle, Jr	Loren Pratt
Jim Williams	Jimmy Chapman	George Kempfer

President Craig Fontenot called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM CST. Dr. Joe W Mask called roll and a quorum was established with 32 Board Members Present.

A motion was made by Barry Smith. seconded by William E Fenn, to suspend the reading of minutes and committee reports. Motion Passed.

Discussion was held on the proposed Show Rule Change that was presented:

#### *H. PROCESS OF A FILED COMPLAINT*

*Upon receipt of a filed complaint, the Executive Vice President shall promptly forward the complaint to the Chairman of the Executive Committee to determine whether the allegations of the complaint would, if proven, constitute an infraction of the ABBA Show Ring Code of Conduct and Ethics. The procedures that will be followed in regards to the Investigation, Right of Hearing, Suspension and Appeal will follow the procedures outlined under Violative Conduct (Rule I; Section 7, III-VII).*

*Disciplinary actions by the ABBA Executive Committee for a first offense may include:*

- (a) Suspension or removal of a Judge from the ABBA Approved Judge's list for up to five years.*
- (b) Forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds for the show in which the infraction occurred.*
- (c) Forfeiture of Register of Renown points for the show in which the infraction occurred.*
- (d) Written letter of reprimand to the responsible party.*
- (e) Temporary or permanent disqualification of animal in violation from exhibition for the remaining time of their show career.*
- (f) Disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA sanctioned shows for up to five years.*
- (g) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA membership (including suspension of all rights and privileges of active membership, e.g. board of director and committee membership) for up to five years.*
- (h) Publication of the offense.*

*Disciplinary actions by the ABBA Executive Committee for subsequent offenses may include:*

- (a) Suspension or permanent removal of a Judge from the ABBA Approved Judge's list.*
- (b) Forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds for the show in which the infraction occurred.*
- (c) Forfeiture of Register of Renown points for the show in which the infraction occurred.*

- (d) Written letter of reprimand to the responsible party.*
- (e) Temporary or permanent disqualification of animal in violation from exhibition for the remaining time of their show career.*
- (f) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA sanctioned shows.*
- (g) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA membership (including suspension of all rights and privileges of active membership, e.g. board of director and committee membership)*
- (h) Publication of the offense.*

A motion was made by Barry Smith, seconded by Carl Lambert, to approve the rule as presented. After much discussion that involved input from ABBA Counsel, Frank Carol, Barry Smith formally withdrew his motion and the following was presented:

#### *H. PROCESS OF A FILED COMPLAINT*

*Notwithstanding any other provision, upon receipt of a filed complaint, the Executive Vice President shall promptly forward the complaint to the Chairman of the Executive Committee to determine whether the allegations of the complaint would, if proven, constitute an infraction of the ABBA Show Ring Code of Conduct and Ethics. The procedures that will be followed in regards to the Investigation, Right of Hearing, Suspension and Appeal will follow the procedures outlined under Violative Conduct (Rule I; Section 7, III-VII).*

*Disciplinary actions by the ABBA Executive Committee for a first offense may include:*

- (a) Suspension or removal of a Judge from the ABBA Approved Judge's list for up to five years.*
- (b) Forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds for the show in which the infraction occurred.*
- (c) Forfeiture of Register of Renown points for the show in which the infraction occurred.*
- (d) Written letter of reprimand to the responsible party.*
- (e) Temporary or permanent disqualification of animal in violation from exhibition for the remaining time of their show career.*
- (f) Disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA sanctioned shows for up to five years.*

*(g) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA membership (including suspension of all rights and privileges of active membership, e.g., board of director and committee membership) for up to five years.*

*(h) Publication of the offense.*

*Disciplinary actions by the ABBA Executive Committee for subsequent offenses may include:*

*(a) Suspension or permanent removal of a Judge from the ABBA Approved Judge's list.*

*(b) Forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds for the show in which the infraction occurred.*

*(c) Forfeiture of Register of Renown points for the show in which the infraction occurred.*

*(d) Written letter of reprimand to the responsible party.*

*(e) Temporary or permanent disqualification of animal in violation from exhibition for the remaining time of their show career.*

*(f) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA sanctioned shows.*

*(g) Temporary or permanent disqualification of an exhibitor, owner, breeder and/or ABBA member from ABBA membership (including suspension of all rights and privileges of active membership, e.g., board of director and committee membership)*

*(h) Publication of the offense*

A motion was made by Barry Smith, seconded by Carl Lambert, to approve the rule as stated above. Motion Passed.

Discussion was then held in regards to ABBA Show Ring Code of Conduct & Ethics, Section D Number 6: *Exhibitors, owners and breeders may not exchange genetics including live animals, semen and embryos with a judge for 1 month prior to and after the date that judge has judged their animals.* A motion was made by Randall Tipp, seconded by Barry Smith, to eliminate this rule effective immediately. Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Patricia Collins, seconded by Carl Lambert, to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed. Meeting Adjourned.