

May 4th 2025 CGA Board Minutes

Attendees: Elyse Perambo, Dorothy McClure, Pam Marshall, Cody Sargen, Wendy and Peter Pieh, Kathy Ashland, Ron and Barbara Fiorca, Allysse Sorensen, Pam Haendle, tatiana Stanton, Lauren Slingluff

*Meeting called to order at 7:33

Welcome- Elyse

Introduction

1. Approval of April 2025 meeting minutes (Attached)

Wendy motioned to approve, Dorothy seconded

2. Treasurer's Report - Pam Marshall

Had 6 membership renewals and 3 new members,

Received a small donation, PayPal got a portion of it

Still working on the PayPal issue for people making payments

Zoom was renewed

Balance is \$17,455.21

Have pending expenses for the payment to Dorothy for the Goat Expo, as well as they GoDaddy subscription and Firefly webhosting which will require board renewals

Wendy motioned to approve, Dorothy seconded

Elyse motioned to close the TD Bank account and move the funds to Chase Bank, Wendy seconded

Elyse motioned the Firefly webhosting for approximately \$1200 to be paid, Wendy and Dorothy seconded. If the invoice comes in significantly higher it can go to executive board for discussion and approval

Discussion of the issues with the PayPal payments, appears to be an issue with PayPal in terms of the error notices people are receiving. Challenging to diagnose the issue as we can't easily replicate the problems they've had.

3. Committee Check -In's

CGA 2025 Fleece Show Competition

-Talking about combining the fleece show with the Adirondack show (same weekend as Common Ground Fair), seeking available judges, and those that are certified as CGA judges. Possibility of having a judging clinic before then that could finalize the certification. To be a certified judge you need to judge under a certified judge, so there will be some logistics to figure out in order to get more certified judges. Also ensuring we have the space available for judging so we could have the fleece show during that event.

Elyse made a motion to combine the goat show and fleece evaluation for the Adirondack show on September 19th, tatiana Stanton seconded

Show Planning & Development

CGA Displays & Representation @ Goat Expo May 28th-30th / Estes Park - June

Stephanie attended Maryland Sheep and Wool so we had some representation there. Dorothy and Pam M are attending goat expo and thank you Kateri for building the educational fiber cards which are complete and can now go to shows and they are getting coordinated to send a giant box for the Goat Expo first with supplies from David as well.

Education Webinar Schedule

Tabled

Proposal: Membership - 20% Discount proposal for new members for the month of May

Pam confirmed this is possible within the system without too many headaches, can offer new and renewing discounts. As we're cleaning up the hiccup with PayPal we can do another push.

Elyse made a motion to offer the discount in June, Cody seconded

Hoofprint - New Editor Update

Gareth Crosby is our new editor as our previous editor goes off to college!

4. Other Business

Proposed change by tatiana Stanton for the Regional Cashmere Goat Ambassadors

“To foster connections among youth interested in goats or those eager to experience raising goats, the Cashmere Goat Association (CGA) seeks Regional Cashmere Goat Ambassadors. Ambassadors should be adults, 18 years of age or older, with a livestock background and a keen enthusiasm to work with youth to encourage and support them in their goat endeavors. These ambassadors will play a vital role in educating youth about CGA programs and initiatives designed to engage young individuals in the cashmere goat industry within their designated regions.”

Will be putting it on the agenda for our next meeting for more discussion about age.

5. Next meeting: June 1 2025 @7:30

6. Meeting adjourned 8:39