

American Lowline Registry
Board of Director Minutes
November 1, 2011
Conference Call

Members Present: Larry Watkins, Janis Black, Rick Dodd, Neil Effertz and Trevor Smith

President Janis Black called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

The purpose for the Board meeting is to discuss the recent letter written by Patrick Ahr regarding possible changes to the ALR By Laws.
Janis asked if everyone had a chance to properly review the document.

Neil Effertz mentioned he visited with Pat regarding the letter. Neil talked with Pat about the process used to fill the recent vacant Board position and then how and why the officer election occurred. Neil let him know that officers are always elected when a new board comes together. Neil noted Pat appreciated the review of the process.

Neil mentioned that Pat feels that the board should be expanded to a 7 person board. Neil though the conversation was very positive especially after the officer election procedure was reviewed.

Pat feels like each region should have a representative on the board. Neil asked Pat if he would serve on a committee to look into expansion of the board. Neil did mention to Pat that a committee may not be able to get all of the decisions made in time to present to the membership at the National Western but that the group could certainly get started.

Neil talked about maybe having members from each region elect the board member for that region. Not just the members of the regional group but all of the members of the ALR from that region.

Larry noted he also had the opportunity to visit with Pat and that his conversation was basically the same.

Sherry Doubet noted she could get the group information from some organizations that elect members regionally so that documents could be reviewed to help the group establish a starting place.

Neil moved to form a committee to evaluate the bylaws and allow regional representation of the Board of Directors. Larry Watkins seconded. Motion carried

Trevor asked Janis to lead the group. Janis will communicate with regional presidents and ask them to nominate a person to serve on the committee. The committee will then be made up of one representative from each region in addition to the ALR Board of Directors.

Neil suggested notifying Pat with these thoughts.

The group would like to have some draft proposals to present to the membership at Denver.

Shows

Neil Effertz brought up the Labeling of Shows idea.

Potentially having Houston named the International Lowline Show and Sale

NAILE – World Lowline Show and Sale

Neil thought that these ideas might go along way towards serving the membership needs. The ALR could designate these titles and work with the groups regarding the designation. This way the ALR would be doing something for each membership area.

Janis asked Neil about the Midwest Group. What would ALR do with the American Royal? Neil believes the Midwest group is happy with the American Royal event as it is.

The group will talk about the show designation options during the November 22 meeting.

Trevor Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Larry Watkins seconded. Motion carried
Meeting Adjourned