WABA – Western Aberdeen Breeders Association

Board Meeting Minutes | October 6th , 2026

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order by John Tomlinson at 6:32 p.m. PST.

Present:

- John Tomlinson
- Nancy Marks
- Blake McLean
- Renae Stentz
- Ruth Holcomb
- Darla Fletcher
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Financial Report:

Presented by Katie Ellis: NO Report.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (September 1st, 2026):

Motion to approve minutes made by Ruth Holcomb; seconded by Nancy Marks. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

- Social Media Update: Social media is taking off and numbers are growing. How can we continue to grow our group?
    - Looking for new content that involves All western states not just the PNW would help a lot
    - Renae requested for "revised date" added to the rules posted.
- NILE Prep:
    - There was only one animal in the wrong class in Nile Show Sheets.
    - David and John will be able to make the rest of the simple changes upon arrival in Billings.
    - Annual Meeting and Banquet will be held in the First Interstate Bldg in the Stillwater Room at 6pm Oct 11th.
    - John signed the contract for the catering company for the annual banquet dinner (North 15 Catering) for 25-30 Guests. The total headcount for the annual meeting is 26.

- We Need to coordinate to have drinks and Ice purchased and a cooler ready for beverages for the Banquet.
    - Nancy offered to bring an Ice Chest for the drinks.
    - Darla offered to stop by the store for the drinks.
- Coffee and Doughnuts for Monday Morning in the WABA booth
    - John offered to get the coffee and doughnuts for Monday morning
- Cliff and Nancy will bring a PEE Wee bucket for a show award.
    - And a second bucket for the Jr Division award too
    - We are planning to have Swag bags for the Jr's who will be attending the Banquet. The total will be 5 Jr's at this point.
        - Ruth is going to get numbers to Nancy for what's on hand in WABA supply.

New Business:

- AAA Update
    - There will be a National Sale next year at Denver (2027)
        - Animals entered MUST be entered and shown at the national show to entered in the National Sale.
        - Seems that emails have been sending to the spam inboxes for several people.
    - Renae will continue to act as a fill-in treasurer until another WABA board member is nominated.
    - Trent Vandyken Email review.
        - He requested WABA to look into sponsoring and promoting a Washington Aberdeen Show.
        - John will respond with WABA's interest in supporting the show and event.
    - Point System for our region has been brought up. Point system would need to be determined and if WABA would be interested then we would put together a list of qualified shows.
- Next Meeting is set for November 3rd at 6:30 PST

Adjournment:

John Tomlinson called for adjournment at 7:18 p.m. PST.

Motion to adjourn made by Darla Fletcher