

**ARBA Board Minutes** 

President, Chris Posbergh, called a conference call meeting of the ARBA board to order at 9:03 EDT on September 29, 2016. In attendance were Posbergh, Randy Thompson, JoAnn Mast, Charlene Carlisle, Anne McIntyre Lahner, Scott Culver, Allison Seyfert Streaker, Don Burgess, Karen Nichols, Carolynn Harwell and Betsy McPherson.

Discussion of the meeting focused on the application for registry of progeny from an imported ram, Rosebank 3/03 a 4 year old Natural Colored ram imported from New Zealand. Information reported by Scott Culver, Karen Nichols, Anne McIntyre Lahner and Carolynn Harwell provided background and details from which the board could make decisions and move forward.

Documentation from the applicant was complete and additional details are being forwarded from the farm of purchase. The ram identified above has been verified as a purebred Romney and moorit color carrying animal. The pedigree has been confirmed by the New Zealand association and the animal has been inspected and entered as purebred in the original flock.

Discussion of the ARBA board centered on the acceptance of the pedigree for Rosebank 3/03 and on additional rams that will be reviewed when additional information is made available. Review of the ARBA policies for imported sheep, semen and embryo transfers will continue and recommendations will be presented at the annual meeting in November 2016.

Scott Culver presented the following motion: The ARBA board will accept the Rosebank 3/03 pedigree for the natural colored ram imported by Iron Water Ranch, Kirsten Holbo, with the designation of moorit carrying genes, listed as M(ARBA number)BBRAM. The motion was seconded by Anne McIntyre Lahner and passed by the board with unanimous support. Randy Thompson abstained from voting.

The board discussion continued with the need to clarify the import process and filing of paperwork for ARBA and Associated Registries and the designation on the registration certificates for moorit colored and moorit color carrying animals. The certificates will be designed as listed above, with an M in front of the ARBA number and followed by the NC designation of BW or BB for moorit carrying and MM in front of the ARBA number for moorit colored animals.

Charlene Carlisle provided information regarding the location of meetings and the annual dinner and meeting. The Sheraton Louisville Riverside Hotel in Jeffersonville, Indiana has a block of rooms reserved and the annual meeting will be conducted at the hotel during the evening meal.

A motion to adjourn was presented and passed at 10:14 p.m. EDT.

Submitted by

JoAnn Mast, ARBA Secretary