



BBSAI Newsletter Blog for February 2024

1) Attention BBSAI Members: the AB Open Registration Process is now LIVE!!!



The American Blackbelly Open Registration (ABOR) Committee is now accepting on-line applications for qualified unregistered AB sheep with only one registered parent. The on-line application process, along with a description of the process and instructions, is now available on the BBSAI Website <https://www.blackbellysheep.org/>

“This has been several years in the making, starting with updates to the BBSAI American Blackbelly Breed Standards and the AB Open Registration process being formally adopted by the BBSAI Board of Directors. Several breeders have expressed concern over the fact that is getting more and more difficult to find and obtain unrelated BBSAI registered stock to further their breeding goals and we are certainly excited by the prospect of being able to add new blood to the American Blackbelly sheep registry” says John Carlton, Chair of the ABOR Committee.

Questions or comments regarding the AB Open Registration process should be emailed to:

ABOpenReg@blackbellysheep.org

2) Election of Board Members and assignment of positions

Your group of 2024 Board Members is as follows:

John Carlton, President president@blackbellysheep.org

Courtney Rowley, Vice President vp@blackbellysheep.org

Pam Hand, Treasurer treasurer@blackbellysheep.org

Sandy Hession, Membership Secretary secretary@blackbellysheep.org

Bru Katzenbach, Recording Secretary recordingsecretary@blackbellysheep.org

Israel Villacorta, Director At Large

Bridget Buzzoni, Ex-Officio appointment by the BBSAI Board

Elaine Haas, Director At Large and Registrar registrar@blackbellysheep.org

3) Do you have Accounting, or other skills? BBSAI needs your help!

We are looking for a member who has accounting, CPA, or tax knowledge to advise the Board on issues that occasionally arise. We would even pay fees for such a service although we would prefer a volunteer of course.

We are also looking for members who are interested in promotion and marketing to join our Communications Committee, their current projects include: setting up a BBSAI YouTube channel, Facebook posting, online advertising, a new logo and revising the BBSAI brochure.

If you're computer literate or have IT skills our Website committee could use your help.

If you are interested in learning more or in volunteering (yippee!), please contact info@blackbellysheep.org or email an individual Board member. Thanks for considering our request.



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