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# **CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**

## Annual General Meeting

March 23, 2024

by Zoom — 1:00 p.m. E.T.

# Welcome

Welcome to the Canadian Goat Society's  
2024 Annual General Meeting

## About the Canadian Goat Society

The Canadian Goat Society (CGS) was incorporated on August 3rd, 1917 and is governed by the Animal Pedigree Act. CGS is dedicated to maintaining the integrity of its herdbooks, providing accurate evaluation programs for performance and type, and promoting the responsible and humane treatment of goats. It is managed by a Board of Directors elected from 6 Districts across Canada.

The Canadian Goat Society maintains the Herd books for nine purebred breeds of goats and a Special Registry for upgraded animals as specified under the animal pedigree act, which are: Alpine, Angora, La Mancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Pygmy, Saanen and Toggenburg.

### OBJECTIVES OF THE CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY

The Society shall have for its objectives, the encouragement, development and regulation of the breeding of registered goats in Canada

a) by keeping a record of breeding and origin of all registered goats and by collecting, preserving and publishing data and documents relating to same;

b) by establishing standards of breeding and by carrying out a system of registration under the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation;

c) by adopting means from time to time to protect and assist those in breeding of registered goats in compliance with the Animal Pedigree Act or any regulations made thereunder;

d) by maintaining an efficient supervision of breeders of goats to prevent, detect and punish fraud;

e) by compiling statistics of the industry and furnishing official and authentic information in regard thereto; and

f) for these purposes, to have power to enter into contracts and agreements and to make, alter and repeal regulations subject to the provisions hereinafter set forth.

g) to aid in providing a vehicle for the promotion of goats and goat products in Canada;

h) to monitor and represent issues of concern to the Canadian Goat Industry to the appropriate agencies.

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# Agenda (draft)

1. Call to Order
2. Identification of members
3. Introduction of Directors and staff
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Presentation and approval of February 18, 2023 AGM minutes
6. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting
7. Integration of Genetic Services Project Update - speaker Jaques Chesnais
8. Director and Committee Reports
  - 8.1 Office Report
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9. Youth Program
10. 2024 East & West National Shows and JLC Announcements
11. CGS Awards Presentation
12. Announcement of 2024 CGS Executive
13. Correspondence
14. Unfinished business
15. New business
16. Adjourn

# MINUTES

## Canadian Goat Society Annual General Meeting

### February 18, 2023

This meeting took place on Saturday, February 18, 2023.

The meeting took the form of a Zoom call.

When the meeting began there were more than 30 members on line. Quorum is 18.

During the meeting there were time periods when forty members were online.

President Sandy Howell called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm Eastern time zone.

Sandy expressed pleasure at the turnout and thanked everyone for participating.

Identification of members had already been handled via introductions as members had arrived prior to the meeting.

Minutes of the Previous meeting in February 2022

Moved by Mike Dietrich, seconded by Rayman Vella that reading of minutes of the annual meeting in February 2022 be dispensed with as they had been circulated.

CARRIED.

No business arising from the minutes.

President Howell noted that with the resignation of Catherine Lord during 2022 Raynald Dube had joined the board as director from the Quebec district All current board members were present and were introduced by name.

Reports from Board Members

Reports from Board members had been circulated prior to the meeting. A member had not had the time to read Sandy Howell's report from British Columbia so that reading took place during the meeting.

The only pieces of correspondence received prior to the meeting were requests for the link for the online call.

President Howell noted no unfinished business. She then asked that the financials be presented by the Secretary Manager Russell Gammon.

Gammon noted that the financials represented a draft version of reviewed financials with a review being less extensive and expensive than a full audit.

Carol Clayson asked when the last full audit had been conducted. The answer supplied was that it had been more than five years. There was consensus that a full audit should be held on a regular basis after a set interval of years had passed.

As part of his discussion of the statement of financial position Gammon provided an update of the amounts in the Society's chequing, savings and CIBC account in Ottawa associated with CLRC as of the day of the meeting: BMO Chequing account \$8728.28

BMO Savings account \$61704.74

CIBC account Ottawa \$4368.59

Total \$74801.31

## MINUTES - continued February 18, 2023

All investments in GICS are with Bank of Montreal ( BMO).

Gammon then explained amounts owed to CGS in the accounts receivable segment of the statements. With regard to accounts payable on the statement of financial position Gammon explained that these liabilities consisted of five credits on account for members; a payable to CLRC for December 2022 activity with that company dated December 31, 2022 and paid in mid-January 2023 and an accrual by our accounting firm for their services in 2023.

At this point 38 members were online.

Tanya McCarthy asked if the financials being discussed were the result of an audit or a review. Thus the question was an audit conducted for 2022? She noted that the CGS by-laws called for an audit every year.

Sandy Howell commented that David Trus of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) had approved the use of an review rather than an audit.

Tanya commented that doing a review only was a violation of the by-laws.

Carol Clayson agreed that by-laws must be followed.

Mike Dietrich congratulated the Board and staff on the fact that the financial position/bottom line of the association had improved more than two times from the bottom line of the previous year.

Zoe Thorbergson asked if a review could be accepted over an audit.

Linda Carlson commented that the financial turnaround of the Society in recent years was stunning. She also commented that the Society needed to follow the process to revise by-laws, as outlined in those by-laws.

A motion was made by Mike Dietrich and seconded by Jaki Ayton that CGS engage an accounting company to perform a full audit for the 2023 financial year.

During discussion Tanya McCarthy noted that there was no need for this motion as the Society must do an audit. Calum McLeod noted that David Trus is an employee of AAFC and not CLRC and thus administers activities of associations who operate under the Animal Pedigree Act.

Zoe Thorbergson asked if the motion on the floor could be amended to read that an audit be conducted on 2022 financial performance and that a review of by-laws take place in 2023.

The moved and seconder of the motion agreed to this amendment.

Two motions were then made. The first by Mike Dietrich, and seconded by Carol Clayson was that a full audit of CGS finances for 2022 be conducted by a chartered accounting company. Carried. 38 votes for. None opposed. Second motion-moved by Mike Dietrich, seconded by Natalie Mitchell that by-laws of CGS be reviewed to determine if the terminology in those by-laws is still appropriate for members wishes and is aligned with government legislation.

During discussion Jonathan Dugdale noted that the formation of a by-law review committee was to be announced later in the meeting.

Mike Dietrich withdrew the second motion in light of the fact that a committee already exists.

After more discussion a motion was made by Mike Dietrich and seconded by Rebecca Lange that the by-laws of CGS be reviewed to ensure that they are current and in line with member wishes and government legislation.

CARRIED 39 in Favour.

Discussion of the 2022 draft financial statements continued. The next portion of discussion was examining reve-

2019 loss of \$11,000  
2020 excess of \$2000  
2021 excess of \$31,050  
2022 excess of \$65,077

Gammon noted that budgeting for 2022 was challenging as activity in many programs was limited or non-existent in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid restrictions.

A very detailed explanation of revenues and expenses followed-revenues first, with inclusion of some expenditures at the same time to increase understanding of impact on the bottom line.

A few questions for clarification were answered.

A donation of \$5,000 for the classification program from Linda Carlson in British Columbia was noted.

After revenue lines had been reviewed the next step was to review expenses. Gammon noted they were \$30,000 higher than in 2021 due to increased processing activity at CLRC and higher expenses for programs which garner both revenue but also create expenses when delivered.

As classification expenses were being reviewed numerous comments were made.

Some members believe more trained classifiers are needed. There was also an expression of the belief that more clarification re the process of training and hiring classifiers is needed.

Gammon extended thanks to member Grant Howley who had been an integral part of working with the 2022 team of classifiers.

There was also discussion that the number of animals and herds to be scored dictates the number of classifiers needed.

Zoe Thorbergson recommended developing a manual on becoming a classifier.

Amanda Lindsay-Peaire asked why only four classifiers were hired when the number could have been six with trainees.

Tanya Vickers expressed support for the concept of a definite classifiers manual.

Office expenses were explained along with the fact that this segment includes the costs of membership renewal work done by CLRC and that CGS had worked with CLRC to find ways to reduce those expenses. Also noted was the fact that with higher activity levels in programs offices expenses will increase.

Returning to the subject of classification Adam Scanlan commented on the value of an information piece on the qualifications and roles of a classifier and his support for Zoe's recommendation. As a long term user of the program Adam sees value for the program, and for classifiers, in a regular rotation of classifiers so that classifiers see a variety of animals and learn more about the amount of variation in the population.

Ted Brooks reiterated that classification delivery must be run like a business with right-sizing of the staff component and a close eye on costs of delivery.

There was great support for Adam's comments via the chat function.

Chris Grab suggested that the concept of auditors for classification training could be considered.

Discussion then returned to line item expenses.

Genetic Evaluation expense-\$3200 of the total amount represents a payment to Lactanet for sending data and information files to CCSI for 305 day milk tested herds.

More data from programs is needed to make genetic evaluations more valuable.

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Because of work done with government funding dairy goat evaluations will be moving to a mixed BLUP system. Because of increased activity with the breed and the move to BLUP evaluations, genetic evaluations for the Nigerian Dwarf breed will be available sometime in 2023.

Linda Carlson noted that there is a classification manual available on the CGS website in the Classification section.

Accounting fees will naturally increase with the move to a full audit.

The various elements of Judges Training expenditures were explained.

Returning to classification for a moment Mike Dietrich commented that it is important that enough work be available for each classifier so that serving in the program is worthwhile.

Expenses for the shows line item was higher in 2022 with 39 shows compared to 11 in 2021.

There was a Board decision to seek input from a lawyer in 2022 to ensure that the Society was acting correctly in addressing topics with members.

Regarding extra costs for completion of the Goat Of Practice an explanation was provided and some promotion done on the code of practice and availability of the code in hard copy from CGS, or online.

Rent costs for January 2021 (\$325.00 for rent and \$25.00 for internet access at our former office location) were explained along with the fact that there had been no charge for office space or internet access since the late February 2021 move to Fergus. As of meeting time this lack of charges to CGS had saved the Society approximately \$8,000.00).

Tanya Vickers asked about planning for access to CGS property in the event of any challenges with availability of the current Secretary-Manager and for succession planning purposes. She also asked if there was a listing of passwords and user names so that easy access could be gained to equipment and bank accounts, processing software, etc.

Gammon noted that the Board had discussed this matter and was at work developing such listings and approvals for appropriate sharing with senior executives in the association.

In leaving the meeting Adam Scanlan thanked the Board for a successful 2022.

Gammon noted zero cost to host the annual meeting as we have an annual zoom connection package.

No questions or comments were made re the statement of cash flow.

Gammon explained the CGS portfolio of \$55,000 in GIC investments with the Bank Of Montreal. He explained current interest rates and the fact that in February 2021 CGS had no money invested in any interest bearing investments.

No motion was made to approve draft statements of the financial performance review.

### New Business

Sandy Howell announced that Paul and Sharon Stoll of Woodville, Ontario had won a Silver Master Breeder Award based on performance of their animals.

Susan Frazer of Beulah and Winnipeg, Manitoba, had earned both a Silver Master Breeder and a Master Breeder Award.

Sandy Howell also announced that beginning with membership renewals due to be distributed in late 2023 for 2024 memberships, and new memberships in the future, it would be necessary for the continuing member or new member to signify their agreement with the CGS code of ethics for their membership to be processed.



renewed after March 31st their information would appear once they had renewed.

Jonathan Dugdale announced the formation of both a By-law Committee and a National Show Committee. He urged anyone interested in serving on these committees to email the CGS office.

Sandy Howell announced that all program fees would stay the same in 2023.

#### Secretary-Manager's Report

Gammon noted that he would be expanding upon his printed report. Key elements of his presentation included:

- The central concept of the report was about all that the members had done.
- Registrations 5.5% higher than 2021.
- Transfers 37% higher than five years earlier in 2018.
- Memberships 3.7% higher than in 2021 and at their highest level since 2001, twenty one years earlier, at 642. In the latest five years membership totals have grown by 21%.
- B.C will have two director positions available in the elections in 2023 based upon the regions 2022 membership total.
- In the last two years 277 new members have joined CGS.
- Units of registry work processed by CLRC for CGS in 2022 were 6.9% above 2021 and 23% higher than in 2018.
- More than 570 head were classified in 2022. Gammon praised the efforts of our four classifiers during the year.
- Classification deadline March 15th, form being revised.
- Since 2019 the Society has attained an excess of revenue over expenditures of \$98,000 with one loss and three years of excess revenue.
- CGS has \$129,000 in resources in our bank accounts and investment portfolio at meeting time.
- Shows 39 in 2022, 11 in 2021.
- National Integrated Genetic Database Initiative funding will support positive changes at CLRC re operating efficiencies.
- National Code of Practice for goats was mentioned again.
- National Shows for 2023 will be held in Edmonton in July and in Toronto at the RAWF in November.
- Productive Board Meetings were held on February 11th and 13th prior to the AGM.

Sandy Howell thanked Russell for his report.

#### Response to the Secretary-Manager's report.

Zoe Thorbergson noted that development of SNP testing must remain a priority in the goat industry. Gammon commented that the National Integrated Database Steering Committee have had introduction and expansion of genomic testing in the Small Ruminant Industry as a priority. Effective testing for Scrapie resistance must become a priority topic in the goat industry. Action on importing bucks to Canada during the temporary period in 2022 when this was possible for Canadian herds on the Scrapie program was very impressive.

Carol Clayson raised the question about opening possibilities for semen exchange between members. She commented on the narrowing gene pool in goat breeds in Canada. While Carol was urged to communicate with Dr. Lynn Tait at OCFlock she commented that collection at AI centers was very expensive and that on farm collection by vets was much more economical.

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Tanya McCarthy encouraged Carol to contact her local CFIA office to investigate changes to the domestic collection program rules.

### Proposed By-Law Amendments:

Three proposed amendments had been submitted by members. A by-law review committee (consisting of the full Board) had met to consider whether the proposed by-laws conformed with the Animal Pedigree Act and were consistent with the rest of CGS by-laws. This meeting had taken place in November 2022.

Minutes of the review committee's meeting had been shared with all those involved in supporting the proposed amendments. The proposed amendments had also been sent to the Animal Registration Officer at AAFC and the Manager of CLRC for comment.

The first proposed amendment related to the current by-law allowing the President to vote in the case of a tie and also vote as a Director, two votes per one person. The proposal was to change wording to "In the event of a tie vote, the vote must be retaken until the tie vote is resolved by additional voting."

The second proposed amendment is to add to the by-laws: No individual may serve as director for more than 2 (two) terms consecutively.

The third proposed amendment is to add to the by-laws that: The role of President cannot be filled by a director who was acclaimed.

Responses from both the ARO at AAFC and the Manager of CLRC had been shared with members before the annual meeting.

### Responses from members at the meeting:

Zoe Thorbergson: Common practice is that Presidents only vote to break a tie vote. A local organization she is part of has a policy that a director must have one period of three years not on the Board during any 12 year term, i.e. max of nine years on the Board in twelve year period. Regarding not allowing acclaimed directors to serve as President there does not appear to be a precedent for this in other associations.

From chat-no one should be allowed two votes.

Mike Dietrich-no term limits, no special/different status for acclaimed directors would be his stance.

Callum McLeod-supported one vote only per Board member; noted that it is hard to find willing candidates for director positions now, if acclaimed directors have restricted responsibilities two levels of directors are created. Board members are meant to have equal roles and responsibilities.

Tanya McCarthy-The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, which is the manual CGS works from, supports continued retaking of votes in the case of a tie.

Ted Brooks-Chair only votes in the case of a tie, no term limits should be applied.

Rebecca Lange-Chair or President only votes in the case of a tie, disagrees with term limits, hard to find volunteers to be directors and new and experienced directors should be able to work together effectively, directors elected by acclamation should not be discriminated against.

In other business Zoe Thorbergson suggested the concept of a mentorship program for director prospects whereby they would work with a current director and obtain training in how the Society and Board work and would understand the role better.

election and before his term began, so that he could learn how the meetings were conducted and the type of business addressed.

Ted Brooks spoke in support of open meetings so that members knew how processes worked.

Susan Frazer returned to the matter of Presidents not voting and only in the case of ties and how this impacted their role as director from their own district/region.

From the chat function the following comments were gleaned:

- Drop districts
- Develop a What to Expect as a Director Manual.
- Member would like to join meetings.
- Transparency is important and allowing members to see actions at Board meetings expands it.
- The president is not always the Chairperson.
- With the exception of In Camera sessions members should be allowed to attend Board meetings.

Ted Brooks live comment:

In the case of ties the motion is regarded as failing in some parliamentary guides. He disagrees with the concept of no director districts.

Susan Frazer commented that directors represent their region and all of Canada. There should be an equitable solution to allow directors to serve regions if they are also President.

Linda Carlson agreed with this stance.

Sandy Howell noted that the Board will vote on moving forward with the three proposed by-law amendments.

Zoe Thorbergson addressed the topic of their being differences between the classification scorecard and the show ring scorecard.

She asked if the Society planned to address these differences.

Jonathan Dugdale commented that in the show ring animals are being compared one to the other while in classification each animal is analyzed as an individual.

Zoe noted that changes came about when Holstein was involved in classification-changes were made in the classification scorecard while the Showing card remained the same. Before the classification changes the scorecards were identical. Her question was: Which card recognizes a more structurally correct animal?

Ted Brooks indicated he agreed with Zoe, and also noted that genetic diversity is markedly limited in Canada. He believes there should be more correlation between the show ring and classification.

There were multiple expressions of agreement with Zoe that the scorecards should be the same.

Comment was made that this alignment work would be a good project for Classification and Show committees to work on.

Tanya McCarthy reminded members of the new Youth Program.

She and Jonathan Dugdale indicated that a lot of hard work had been done on the yearbook and that it should be published within a month.

Amanda Lindsay-Peaire asked for an update/explanation of the letter of intent to withdraw from use of CLRC services.

Gammon noted that the letter had been sent to the Manager of CLRC and the Animal Registration officer at AAFC.

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CGS would not be able to withdraw from the business relationship with CLRC until the end of 2024 to avoid severe financial penalties for leaving early.

As CGS represents about 7% of CLRC's units processed CLRC would want to continue working with us and would definitely "take us back" if CGS left and any new solution re provision of registry services did not work out for CGS. The CLRC Manager received the letter from CGS in a very good manner and regards it as a spur for CGS to perform at a higher level. CLRC regards 2023 as a "make or break" year in that they must land of ways in which work can be processed efficiently on a more cost effective basis.

Sandy Howell announced the 2023 Executive: Second Vice President-Jonathan Dugdale; First Vice President-Chris Grab and herself, Sandy Howell as President.

Sandy thanked members for the growth in activity CGS had enjoyed in 2022 in registry work and programs.

Numerous expressions of congratulations to the new Executive were received via the chat function. Carol Clayson asked when the Board would address the question of members attending meetings. Sandy replied that the board would address this matter at an upcoming meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:43 pm Eastern on a motion by Joanne Battersby.

*minutes by Russell Gammon*

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## Secretary Manager's report

The transition of the C.G.S. office from Ontario to Saskatchewan took place in July of 2023. It has been a pleasure having the opportunity to get to know the C.G.S. Board of Directors, the C.G.S. membership, and the associated industry partners better with the passing of time. Despite the inevitable challenges associated with an office move, C.G.S. experienced a successful year in 2023 both financially and from an operations perspective. I once again would like to express my sincere thanks to the President, Sandy Howell, and the rest of the Board of Directors for their time, dedication, and leadership in making the Canadian Goat Society a success for all members to enjoy. I am hopeful we will be looking forward to an equally successful 2024.

*submitted by Kerry O'Donnell  
Secretary Manager - Canadian Goat Society*

# Membership Highlights

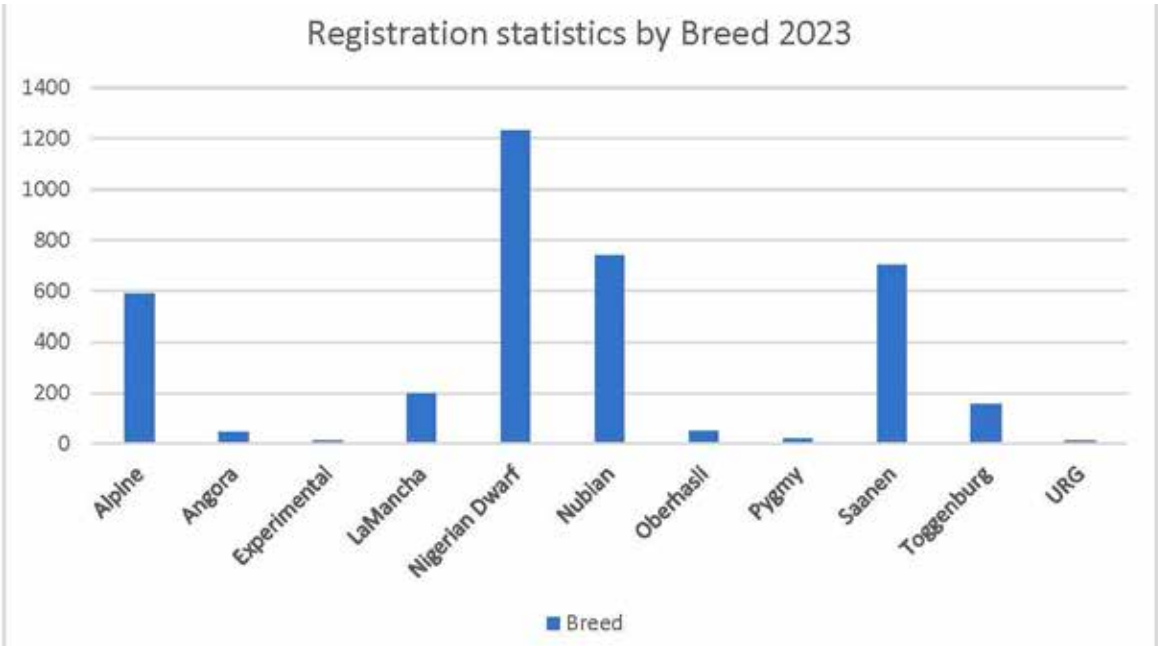
A review of membership numbers from 2018 to 2023 reveals that the growth in membership numbers that began in 2021 has remained relatively stable since that time.

Membership Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Annual Member	487	493	524	579	603	600
Junior Member	39	38	30	37	30	28
Life Member	3	3	3	3	3	3

# Animal Registration Highlights

Animal registrations and transfers at CLRC during 2023 remained high, with a total of 6,222 transactions taking place.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Animal Registrations	3673	3320	3686	3463	3651	3752
Animal Transfers	1656	1703	2221	2509	2339	2470
TOTAL	5329	5023	5907	5972	5990	6222



# Secretary Manager's report

## Electronic Newsletter

- September of 2023 saw the launch of the electronic version of the CGS Newsletter which is anticipated to result in significant savings for CGS with the substantially reduced printing and postage costs to distribute it to the membership.

## Change in C.G.S. Fiscal Year End

- A request was made to the Canada Revenue Agency in 2023 to move the Society's financial year end back to August 31st. The request was approved and will become effective in 2024. As a result, there will be two AGMs and financial audits held in 2024 (The March 23, 2024 AGM and a second AGM in November of 2024).

## 2023 yearbook

- At the time this report is being prepared in early March of 2024, the proof of the completed 2023 Yearbook has been circulated to the Board of Directors for final approval before going to print. All paid members of CGS in 2023 will receive a copy by mail.

## 2023 Proposed By-law Amendment

- With a voting deadline of September 29, 2023 a mail ballot was sent to all members in good standing (at that time) to vote on the following proposed by-law amendment that had been presented at the February 18, 2023 AGM:

### Existing By-law

8.4 The President may vote in the event of a tie: said vote being in addition to his regular vote as director

### Rationale for existing By-law:

In the event of a tie when business can not reasonably carry on without a resolution/decision,

and repeated re-voting does not break the tie, allowing the President a second vote allows a decision to be made and for business to resume. (In reality this situation is very rare within CGS).

## Proposed By-law Amendment

8.4 In the event of a tie vote, the vote must be retaken until the vote is resolved by additional voting.

### Rationale for Amendment:

The results of a vote should not be decided by any one person but via a democratic process where all individuals are heard and each vote is weighed equally. If one individual has more than one vote that can give rise to unfounded judgments/actions. Continuing to vote until the tie is broken will encourage much needed discussion in order to come to a positive resolution.

## The results of the mail in ballot were as follows:

For: Thirty eight (38)

Against: Thirty one (31)

Abstain: Zero (0)

**Approval of the by-law amendment was received from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada on February 9, 2024.** Updated by-laws can be found on both the C.G.S. and C.L.R.C websites.

## \*S Certificates for qualifying U.S. Bucks

- In June of 2023, the C.G.S. Board approved a motion to accept U.S. award information for C.G.S. awards as long as the Canadian standards were met. Good uptake of this was seen, with members submitting applications for 14 U.S. imported bucks to receive the C.G.S. \*S designation.

## Refunds/Credits for C.G.S. members

- In an effort to keep the C.G.S books in better order, the Board approved a motion in Octo-

- -ber of 2023 whereby credits on C.G.S. accounts would no longer be accepted. Any credit to members would be sent in the form of a refund.

### **Letter of Intent to C.L.R.C**

- A letter of intent was submitted to C.L.R.C. prior to December 31, 2023. The letter did not mean that C.G.S. had any definite plans to leave C.L.R.C. - it simply protects C.G.S. financially if for any reason C.L.R.C. should cease to exist.

### **C.C.S.I. goatgenetics.ca**

- At the February 12, 2024 Board meeting a motion was made and unanimously passed to write a letter to C.C.S.I. regarding public access to the goatgenetics.ca as along with incorporating the Nigerian Dwarf breed as soon as possible.

### **CGS Member Performance Grant**

- At the December 14, 2023 Board meeting, it was moved and unanimously carried to implement a C.G.S. Member Performance Grant as proposed by Board member Callum McLeod. Under his proposal, C.G.S. members are eligible for a grant of up to \$200.00 to help offset the costs of participation in any one, (or more) of the C.G.S. performance programs (one-day or 305-day milk testing, or classification). To be eligible, members must be using a program for the first time, or after an absence of 5 years or more. The number of grants per District correlates with the number of Director positions for each District and will be chosen at random.

### **Integration of Genetic Services Project**

- C.G.S. has been a part of this three year

Federally funded project since 2021. The project was scheduled to come to a close on March 31, 2024, however an extension has been granted.

The project is made up of the following industry groups: CGS (Canadian Goat Society), CMGA (Canadian Meat Goat Association), CSBA (Canadian Sheep Breeders Association), CEPOQ (Centre d'expertise en production ovine du Quebec, OSF (Ontario Sheep Federation), AgSights, CGIL (Centre for Genetic Improvement of Livestock), CLRC (Canadian Livestock Records Corporation) and CCSI (Canadian Centre for Swine Improvement).

The purpose of the Network is to work collaboratively and share resources to achieve improved services for both Purebred and commercial producers. Some of the work completed to date by the group specific to CGS and dairy goats is as follows:

- Merging of the CGS office database with the dairy goat genetic evaluation database.
- Implementation of MixBLUP for dairy goat genetic evaluations. (MixBLUP is a modern genetic evaluation program that includes genomics.) The first set of Classification scores for dairy goats were run on MixBlup in February of 2024, after testing against the old system was complete.
- Implement New ERA for dairy goats (adapt what was done for Genovis).
- Review and identification of potential improvements to online registration system at CLRC.
- Improve exchange of dairy goat data from Lactanet for genetic evaluations – ongoing
- Additional funds allocated to redevelopment of electronic registration and paperless services at CLRC – in progress



# Secretary Manager's report

## C.G.S./C.L.R.C. Fee Schedules

- At the January 15, 2024 Board meeting, the Directors began a comprehensive review of the costs associated with each of the programs they offer (Show, Milk Test, and Classification). Costs to CGS associated with member transactions at CLRC were also reviewed in terms of profit or loss per transaction to CGS.  
The 2024 Budget was also presented, discussed, and approved at that meeting. The 2024 budget includes the provision for a face-to-face AGM, investing in the training of Classifiers (both current and new Classifiers), and the introduction of a new line for translation services to start the process of having French versions of CGS program booklets.  
All program fees; (Show sanctioning, Milk Test and Classification) will see no increases for members in 2024.

A review of the amounts charged to CGS members performing transactions through CLRC vs the amount that CLRC charges CGS resulted in certain items on the CLRC schedule being increased effective as of March 1, 2024 due to them creating a loss for CGS. (See Appendix 1 for the fee schedule changes).

The review of the CGS Fee Schedule for internally processed work resulted in fee increases/changes as follows:

Rush Services increased to \$75.00  
Removal of Quarterly subscriptions  
Addition of Yearbooks available for purchase for \$25.00 ea

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## 2023 C.G.S. One-Day and 305-Day Milk Test Programs

- The costs to run both the One Day and 305-Day milk test programs were reviewed by the Board of Directors in February of 2024 and compared to the income generated by these two programs. A motion was approved to leave the fees for both the One Day and 305-day milk testing programs at the 2023 fee structure.
- The Milk Recording Booklet was reviewed by the Board of Directors in February of 2024 and revisions were approved by the Board. Revisions were approved for the 305 Day Milk Testing program. Rules for the One Day Milk Test Program remain unchanged. Highlights of the revisions made to the 305-Day program included:

Clarification of the definition of a herd: "All animals residing/comingling in one barn would be considered a management unit. The definition of a herd is all animals within a management unit".

Testing intervals: The opportunity to extend a testing interval for up to 90 days once a year under special circumstances and with the approval of the GS Office was removed and replaced with the following wording; "Any testing schedule outside of 15 – 60 days must be approved by the CGS Office".

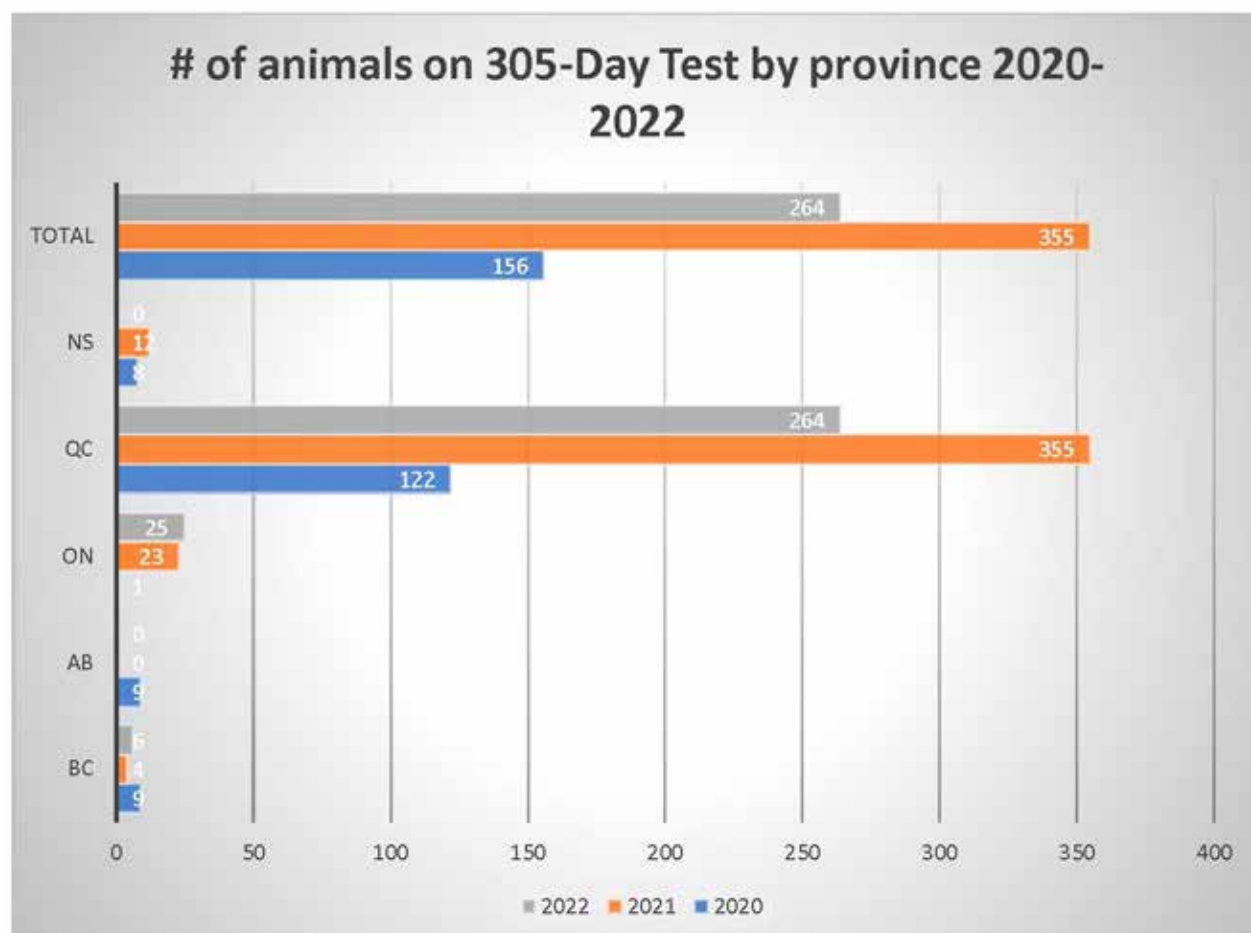


Test checks changed to the following wording – “All tests may be subject to random check tests”.

The addition of the requirement for all herds on 305-day test to submit an application form along with the required fees on an annual basis and before going on test. Program fees not received within 60 days of invoicing will result in that individual being removed from the 305 program and results not being publishable.

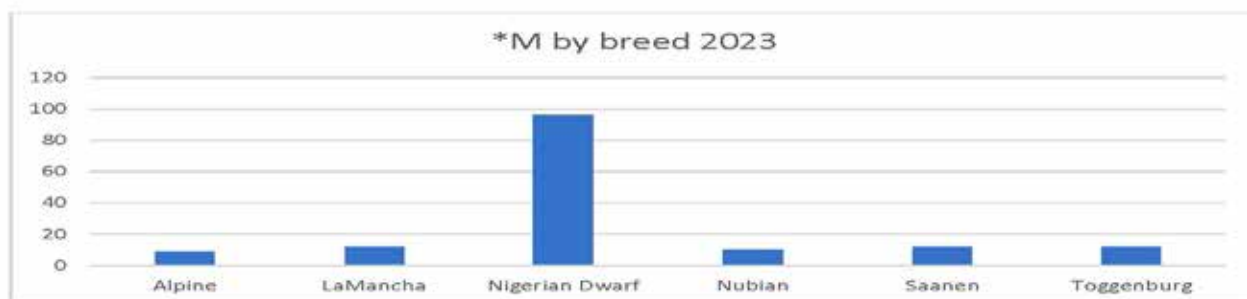
Added to the rules – “No lactation under 240 days will be considered official and will not be published.

In 2023, \*P certificates were generated by the C.G.S. Office and sent to participants of the 305 day milk testing program for the years 2020, 2021, and 2022. A total of 846 animals earned the \*P designation over the course of those 3 years.



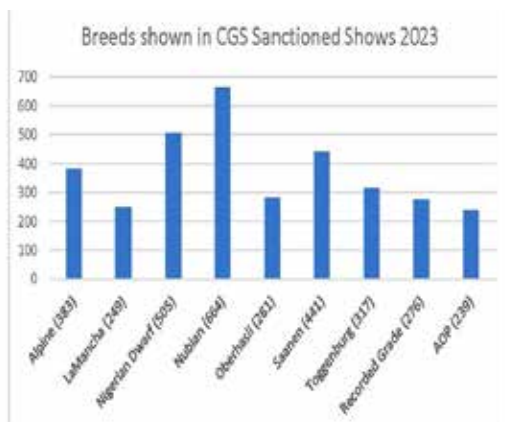
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- Participation in the One-Day Milk Test Program came from members in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Ontario. A total of 151 does earned the \*M designation in 2023.



## C.G.S. Show Program and JLC Forums

- Show Sanctioning fees will remain unchanged for 2024
- The Board of Directors reviewed the Show Rules in February 2024 and a small number of revisions were approved. No major changes to the rules were made. Highlights of the changes made include;
  - Provision for animals under 6 months of age being registered electronically and proof of pending registration
  - Removal of mention of medals throughout the document as these are no longer offered.
- Addition of the requirement for show committees to provide the appropriate tools for Nigerian Dwarfs and Pygmy goats when sanctioned.
- Updated versions of the Show Rules can be found on the CGS website.
- 2023 saw 36 shows being sanctioned by CGS and a total of 3,355 animals entering the show ring. The numbers of each breed shown are noted to the left.
- Thank you to all of the show hosts, participants, volunteers, and the CGS Judges who made 2023 a successful year for sanctioned shows.
- A revision has been made to the C.G.S. Show Sanctioning application for for 2024. Page 2 of the form now contains the information regarding the Youth Program (which was launched in 2023). Shows who anticipate having Youth Showmanship classes (that will follow the age divisions as set out in the Youth Program booklet), can indicate on the form that they require the show forms and certificates for the Youth. Once indicated on the form all necessary forms will be included



- in the show package.
- A review of the JLC program was begun in 2023 with the goal of updating the process, modernizing the presentation of material, and decreasing the amount of in person time spent at the JLC's. At the time of this report, work is ongoing by the JLC Committee.
- 2024 marks a renewal year for all C.G.S. Judges who wish to retain their Judge's license for 2025-2026. Invoicing to all current C.G.S. Judges occurred in February 2024.
- As an investment in the current CGS Judges, and in anticipation of training new Judges, the Board of Directors motioned and approved supporting 3 JLC's in 2024:

Ancaster, Ontario: October 18,19, 20 2024

Agassiz, B.C. : October 18, 19, 20 2024

Colchester, N.S. : September 20, 21, 22 2024

### C.G.S. Youth Program

- 2023 saw the launch of the new C.G.S. Youth Program with 2 different program streams for Youth to participate in. The Youth Showman Awards program (open to any Youth to age 20), regardless of membership in C.G.S. and the Honour Roll program open to Youth to age 20 who are C.G.S. members and participate in 2 of 3 C.G.S. programs (show, production, classification).
- A total of 9 applications were received in 2023; (8 for the Youth Showman Awards program and 1 for the Honour Roll program). Applicants ranged in age from 9 - 17, with 6 applications originating from District 1 (B.C.) and 3 from District 4 (ON).
- Winners of the Youth program will receive certificates along with photos and a write up in the 2023 Yearbook. At the February 8, 2024 BOD meeting a motion was made and passed that CGS Directors will elicit sponsors from their areas to cover costs of prizes for the Youth Program going forward.

### C.G.S. Classification Program

- The costs associated with the Classification program were reviewed in early 2024. All fees for this program will remain unchanged in 2024.
- The deadline to apply (without a late penalty) for the 2024 Classification program is March 15, 2024. The deadline to apply (with penalty) is March 31, 2024.
- In 2023, a total of 51 herd with 645 animals were classified by 3 Classifiers. Many thanks to Eugenia Carnegie, Edward Cavanagh, and Jon Dykstra for their time and efforts traveling across the country to provide this service.

### Classification Numbers by Province/Breed

Breed	BC	AB	SK	ON	QC
Alpine	0	1	19	0	26
LaMancha	12	8	8	9	0
Nigerian Dwarf	66	160	21	21	0
Nubian	47	27	4	45	0
Oberhasli	16	0	0	0	0
Saanen	16	13	5	9	28
Toggenburg	9	13	0	0	61
URG	1	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	167	222	57	84	115

# Bucks Evaluated = 137

# Does Evaluated = 508

# Secretary Manager's report

## Classification continued

- Changes to the programming under Dairy Structure were made in later 2023 to more accurately reflect the final overall scoring of Nigerian Dwarfs, and animals whose final scores were impacted by the old program were re-run and re-issued.
- A proposal was brought forward from the Classification Committee and accepted by the Board to institute a formal training program for Classifiers (current and new), similar to that of the Judge's training. Training will begin in 2024. At the time of this writing, work is ongoing by the committee.
- An announcement was made in early 2024 to notify the C.G.S. membership that applications were open for positions as Classifiers with C.G.S. with an application deadline of January 31, 2024.

## C.G.S. Director Elections in 2024

- C.G.S. Director elections will be held in the following Districts in 2024;

District 2 - Province of Alberta - 1 Director  
District 4 - Province of Ontario - 2 Directors  
District 6 - Atlantic Provinces - 1 Director

- As per the C.G.S. by-laws:  
7.9 Members may make nominations only for Directors resident in their district.  
7.10 In order for a member to qualify as a candidate for the office of Director in his district, he must be nominated in writing by no fewer than fifteen (15) members in good standing who reside in that district and such nominations must be sent by mail to the Head Office of the Society and post-marked no later than June 30.

## Purebred registrations (all time)

Breed	# Purebred Registered to date
Alpine	45,805
Angora	15,418
LaMancha	5,532
Nigerian Dwarf	10,003
Nubian	41,482
Oberhasli	390
Pygmy	1,829
Saanen	28,517
Sable	0
Toggenburg	18,708
TOTAL	167,055

# Financial report & audit notes

## Current Bank Balances

- As of March 13, 2024 the balances in the accounts held with BMO were as follows:
  - Chequeing Account - \$4,723.63
  - Savings Account - \$75,677.63
- As of February 29, 2024 the balance in the CIBC account held by CLRC was \$17,658.21
- GIC's held at the BMO as shown in the audited financial statements totalled \$67,128.

## AUDIT NOTES

### Statement of Financial Position (pg 5)

#### ASSETS

- **Accounts receivable:** This amount reflects overdue amounts by members on their CLRC accounts.
- **Prepaid Expenses:** This amount reflects income received in 2023 for 2024 CGS Memberships.

#### LIABILITIES

- **Accounts payable & accrued liabilities:** This is made up from \$5500.00 payable to CLRC for their monthly levy, \$7800.00 for work to date by the auditors, and \$1500.00 for the Secretary Manager's December salary.
- **Government remittances payable:** This was the amount payable for the fourth quarter GST in 2023.
- **Prepaid Expenses:** This amount reflects income received in 2023 for 2024 CGS Memberships.
- **Deferred Income:** This item reflects show sanctioning income and milk test program income.

### Statement of Revenues and Expenditures (pg 7) - REVENUES

- **National Integrated Genetic Services:** Under the grant funding, CGS invoiced the

project on a quarterly basis for approved activities/time spent on project activities.

- **Yearbook Revenue:** This reflects income received from advertisers in the 2022 Yearbook. Advertising income from the 2023 Yearbook will be shown in 2024.
- **Renewal Judges Licenses:** No income as licenses are renewed every two years with renewal taking place in 2024.
- **Judge's Training:** No income as these are held every 2 years.
- **Semen Sales:** Income from semen sold in 2023 did not arrive until early 2024.

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Personnel costs:** Higher than budgeted in 2023 due to resignation of former S/M, additional time spent transitioning office, and training for new S/M.
- **CLRC other:** Includes items such as membership invoicing and CNGF membership (\$3686), DNA testing (1593), credit card admin (\$4777), and DNA admin costs, NSF fees, RLB Journal entry (1410)
- **Office:** Includes new printer for office, stationary supplies, website updates, mailing house fees for newsletters, postage, Zoom, Go Daddy subscriptions, etc.
- **Legal Fees:** Represents the cost of seeking legal counsel to insure by-laws and correct procedure was being followed.

### Statement of Cash Flows (pg 8)

- Page 8 is a summary of the the statement of financial position from page 5 showing the difference between 2022 and 2023. Numbers without parenthesis indicate an increase in comparison to the year prior and numbers with parenthesis indicate a decrease from the year prior.

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Members of: Canadian Goat Society

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Canadian Goat Society, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and the statements of changes in unrestricted net assets, revenues and expenditures and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Canadian Goat Society as at December 31, 2023 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations.

### Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of Canadian Goat Society in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to a going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the organization's financial reporting process.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements, as a whole, are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Guelph, Ontario  
February 20, 2024



Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants



**CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>A S S E T S</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 76,175	\$ 53,628
Investments (note 4)	67,128	55,000
Accounts receivable	4,077	5,427
Government remittances receivable	0	137
Prepaid expenses	<u>2,506</u>	<u>2,210</u>
	<u>\$ 149,886</u>	<u>\$ 116,402</u>
<b>L I A B I L I T I E S</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 14,751	\$ 16,413
Government remittances payable	907	0
Payroll liabilities payable	1,169	0
Deferred income	<u>603</u>	<u>828</u>
	17,430	17,241
<b>N E T A S S E T S</b>		
<b>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	<u>132,456</u>	<u>99,161</u>
	<u>\$ 149,886</u>	<u>\$ 116,402</u>

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**CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS, beginning of year</b>	\$ 99,161	\$ 37,440
Net surplus for the year	<u>33,295</u>	<u>61,721</u>
<b>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS, end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 132,456</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,161</u></u>

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**CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<b>Budget 2023 (note 6)</b>	<b>Actual 2023</b>	<b>Actual 2022 (note 7)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
CLRC registry services	\$ 175,000	\$ 183,114	\$ 193,773
Dairy classifications	18,000	20,023	18,093
Shows	8,000	9,377	7,702
National integrated genetic services	7,000	6,248	7,000
Interest revenue	250	4,901	242
Milk testing	2,500	2,423	2,147
Yearbook advertisement	2,000	550	1,650
Renewal judges licenses	0	0	3,523
Classification program donations	0	0	5,000
Judges' training	0	0	975
Semen sales	500	0	342
	<u>213,250</u>	<u>226,636</u>	<u>240,447</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Canadian Livestock Record Corporation - levy	67,000	70,059	69,884
Personnel costs	46,000	51,803	46,060
Dairy classification expenses	20,000	16,353	20,865
Canadian Livestock Record Corporation - other	7,600	11,907	9,967
Office	24,100	9,737	2,789
Audit fees	8,000	8,500	8,500
Shows	9,300	7,911	1,260
Genetic evaluation - C.C.S.I.	7,000	7,500	9,794
National integrated genetic services	2,500	3,523	2,500
Legal fees	1,000	3,330	560
Quarterly magazine expenses	0	1,201	1,186
Telephone	1,000	815	915
Interest and bank charges	500	659	449
Milk testing	250	43	0
Advertising	250	0	247
Judges' training	0	0	3,750
	<u>194,500</u>	<u>193,341</u>	<u>178,726</u>
<b>NET SURPLUS for the year</b>	<u>\$ 18,750</u>	<u>\$ 33,295</u>	<u>\$ 61,721</u>

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**CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net surplus for the year	\$ 33,295	\$ 61,721
Changes in non-cash working capital		
Accounts receivable	1,350	(2,251)
Government remittances receivable	137	993
Prepaid expenses	(296)	(2,210)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(1,662)	7,241
Government remittances payable	907	0
Payroll liabilities payable	1,169	0
Deferred income	(225)	434
	<u>34,675</u>	<u>65,928</u>
<b>CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Investments	<u>(12,128)</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>
<b>NET INCREASE IN CASH</b>	22,547	40,928
<b>NET CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>53,628</u>	<u>12,700</u>
<b>NET CASH, END OF YEAR</b>	<u><u>\$ 76,175</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 53,628</u></u>

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**CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION**

Canadian Goat Society is a not for profit organization incorporated under the Livestock Pedigree Act, Canada without share capital. Canadian Goat Society is exempt from income tax. Its purpose is to promote good breeding of goats to obtain higher standards. The majority of revenue for the Society is from membership fees paid by Canadian goat farmers and fees for registering a goat with the Society.

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

**(a) USE OF ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for not for profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Significant areas requiring management's estimates include accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**(b) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Measurement of financial instruments

The organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value.

The organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in net surplus.

Impairment

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. If an impairment has occurred, the carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortized cost is reduced to the greater of the discounted future cash flows expected or the proceeds that could be realized from the sale of the financial asset. The amount of the write-down is recognized in net surplus. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in net surplus.

Transaction costs

The organization recognizes its transaction costs in net income in the period incurred. However, financial instruments that will not be subsequently measured at fair value are adjusted by the transaction costs that are directly attributable to their origination, issuance or assumption.

**(c) CONTRIBUTED MATERIALS AND SERVICES**

During the year, a number of organizations and individuals donate materials to the organization and a number of volunteers contribute a significant amount of their time. Because of the difficulty in determining the fair value, contributed materials and services are not recorded in the financial statements.

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**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

(d) REVENUE RECOGNITION

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when they are received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Shows revenue is recognized as revenue when these events occur.

Membership fees are recognized as revenue proportionately over the fiscal year to which they relate.

All other revenue is recognized when earned.

**3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest, credit, currency, liquidity, or other price risks arising from the financial instruments.

The extent of the organization's exposure to these risks did not change in 2023 compared to the previous period.

The organization does not have a significant exposure to any individual customer or counterpart.

**4. INVESTMENTS**

The following investments were on hand as at December 31, 2023:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
BMO GIC with interest (0.55%), due May 19, 2023	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
BMO GIC with interest (0.55%), due August 18, 2023	0	5,000
BMO GIC with interest (0.50%), due March 28, 2024	0	5,000
BMO GIC with interest (3.60%), due May 30, 2024	20,000	20,000
BMO GIC with interest (4.75%), due June 3, 2024	10,035	10,000
BMO GIC with interest (4.05%), due September 8, 2024	5,018	5,000
BMO GIC with interest (3.50%), due March 31, 2025	15,000	0
BMO GIC with interest (3.70%), due May 29, 2025	10,000	0
BMO GIC with interest (5.35%), due October 12, 2027	5,000	0
Accrued interest	<u>2,075</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u><u>\$ 67,128</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 55,000</u></u>

**5. CANADIAN LIVESTOCK RECORDS CORPORATION**

The organization engages the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC) as a management service for their membership and registration fees. As of year end, CLRC has a net balance of \$2,952 (2022 - \$6,600) of credits held for the organization's members.

**6. BUDGET FIGURES**

The budget figures are presented for information purposes, and have been reclassified to conform to the current financial statement presentation. They have not been audited or reviewed.

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**7. CORRESPONDING FIGURES**

Certain figures presented for corresponding purposes have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

# Proposed By-law amendments

## Proposed By-law Amendments – AGM 2024

In accordance with Article XXII of the C.G.S. by-laws:

*“22.1. By-laws of the Society may be enacted, amended or repealed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors and sanctioned by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Society provided that any such enactment, amendment or repeal shall not be enforced or acted upon until the approval of the Minister has been obtained.*

*22.2. Members in good standing may propose amendments to the by-laws, provided that any such proposal is in writing and is signed by no fewer than 10 such members and given to the Secretary Manager at least 120 days in advance of the next general meeting of members. In such event, particulars of the proposal shall be included in the notice calling such meeting, including the existing by-law provision, the proposed change thereto and, if known to the Secretary Manager, the reason for the proposed change. By no later than 90 days prior to such meeting, the Amendments Review Committee shall review the proposed amendment, having regard to its correctness in form, its consistency with the Animal Pedigree Act and with the other by-laws of the Society, and its clarity of intent and practical application. The Amendments Review Committee shall provide the Board with a report containing the results of its review and a copy of such report shall be sent by regular prepaid mail to each of the said proposing members. Also, to the extent that time permits, 10 the proposed amendment together with the report of the Amendments Review Committee should be provided to the Animal Registration Officer of Agriculture Canada and to CLRC with a request for comments thereon from each of them.*

*22.3. All proposed amendments together with the report of the Amendments Review Committee and any comments received from the Animal Registrations Officer and from CLRC shall be placed on the agenda of the general meeting for discussion.*

*22.4. As soon as possible following such general meeting, the Board shall consider the proposed amendments, the report of the Amendments Review Committee, any comments received from the Animal Registration Officer and from CLRC and the discussion which took place at the general meeting and the directors may then, by an affirmative of a majority of the Directors, pass such by-law amendments, including any revisions thereto, as the directors deem to be appropriate.*

*22.5. Any such by-law amendments so passed by the directors shall then be voted on by the members by postal ballot or by means of the official organ and in order to be properly sanctioned, must be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast.*

*22.6. The Articles of Incorporation of the Society, as defined in Sections 8 and 9 of the Animal Pedigree Act, may be amended in accordance with the provisions of that Act after the Board has consulted in writing with the members in such manner as is prescribed by the Board, in relation to the proposed amendments, and provided that 25% or more of the members have responded in writing to such consultation and that at least 2/3 of the members who responded have approved the proposed amendment.”*



At the December 14, 2023 Board meeting the CGS Directors reviewed the following proposed by-law amendments that had been submitted by the by-law committee and unanimously voted to recommend that they be presented at the March 2024 AGM. The proposed by-law amendments were forwarded to the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and CLRC for comment.

CGS By-law Committee Members: Susan Frazer, Mike Dietrich, Linda Carlson, Lauren Topping, Sandy Howell, Tanya Vickers, Asia Mangan.

**1) Be it resolved that Section number 3.9 which reads:**

Member in Good Standing - A member is in good standing if he is not a suspended member and if his membership fees with the Society have been paid for the current year, all other accounts with the Society are current and he has complied with the by-laws and regulations as hereinafter set forth.

**be amended to read:**

Member in Good Standing - A member is in good standing if he is not a suspended member and if his membership fees with the Society have been paid for the current year (as outlined in Section 4.1.a) all other accounts with the Society are current and he has complied with the by-laws and regulations as hereinafter set forth.

**Reasoning:**

Addition of reference to Section 4.1 (a) made to add clarity to the definition of "current year".

**2) Be it resolved that Section number 3.16 which reads:**

Wherever these by-laws are silent or there is no pre-existing policy, the Board shall use Procedures For Meetings and Organizations by M. Kaye Kerr, Ph.D.,C.Psych and Hubert W. King, Ph.D.,P. Eng.

**be amended to read:**

Wherever these by-laws are silent or there is no pre-existing policy, the Board shall use the American Institute of Parliamentarian Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.

**Reasoning:**

The resource material specified in the current by-laws is not the resource suggested (or available) for use by the past Animal Registration Officer (David Truss) who referenced using the American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

The proper name of the resource provided by David is "The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure" (Revised by the American Institute of Parliamentarians). Also correct elsewhere. The reason for the recommendation, is that it is more up-to-date, practical to implement and well-written for ease of use.

**3) Be it resolved that Section number 3.17 which reads:**

Official Organ - Shall be in a form and frequency decided by the Board and shall be mailed to all members as a means of circulating news and program results of the Society and provide information of benefit to the members. It may also be used as a means of distributing ballots to members on those issues requiring their vote.

**be amended to read:**

Official Organ - Shall be in a form and frequency decided by the Board and shall be mailed or electronically distributed to all members as a means of circulating news and program results of the Society

and provide information or benefit to the members. It may also be used as a means of distributing ballots to members on those issues requiring their vote.

**Reasoning:** Clarifies that Newsletters and other forms of communication can also be sent electronically.

**4) Be it resolved that Section number 4.1 c which reads:**

Annual Minor Members - Application for membership may be accepted by the Society from any boy or girl under 18 years of age, provided the application is signed by the applicant and countersigned by the parent or legal guardian.

**be amended to read:** Annual Minor Members - Application for membership may be accepted by the Society from any person under 18 years of age, provided the application is signed by the applicant and countersigned by the parent or legal guardian.

**Reasoning:** Adoption of more current wording.

**5) Be it resolved that Section number 4.2 which reads:**

Application for Annual Membership shall be in writing and each applicant, on becoming a member shall agree to be bound by these by-laws and amendments thereto and all rules of the Society, but the Society shall have power to reject any application for membership.

**be amended to read:** Application for Annual Membership shall be in such form as decided upon by the Board of Directors, and each applicant, on becoming a member shall agree to be bound by these by-laws and amend-ments thereto and all rules of the Society, but the Society shall have power to reject any application for membership.

**Reasoning:**

Allows for membership applications to be received via fax, telephone, electronic means, etc.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:** Generally okay. However, it is usually suggested that associations qualify a statement such as "... shall have the power to reject any application for membership" by adding "if considered contrary to the Purposes and operating principles of the association".

**6) Be it resolved that Section number 7.6 which reads:**

Districts 1,3 and 5 shall have their election of Directors in the years 1999, 2002, 2005 and so on every three years. District 2, 4 and 6 shall have their election of Directors in the years 2000, 2003, 2006 and so on every three years.

**be amended to read:** Districts 1, 3 and 5 shall have their election of Directors in the years 2023, 2026, 2029 and so on every three years. District 2, 4 and 6 shall have their election of Directors in the years 2024, 2027, 2030 and so on every three years.

**Reasoning:** Changed to provide current dates.

**7) Be it resolved that Section number 7.7 which reads:**

Directors shall be elected by postal ballot.

**be amended to read:** Directors shall be elected by postal ballot or by electronic means.

**Reasoning:** Allows for voting electronically which can reduce costs to the Society and increase member participation.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

May want to qualify “as appropriate for the respective members” or in a fashion that all members can practically participate.

**8) Be it resolved that Section number 7.8 which reads:**

By a circular notice prepaid, the Secretary Manager shall supply all members with a list of all members of their designated district, including both names and addresses. Providing that if the Society has an official organ which is mailed to all members, a notice published therein shall be deemed sufficient.

**be deleted and all subsequent sections be renumbered accordingly:**

**Reasoning:**

All members do not consent to have their information published, and therefore it is not possible for the Society to comply with this by-law. All members in a district eligible for elections to be held are notified of such by the CGS Office and all members are eligible to seek nominations for themselves or others.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

Can be done, but typically breed associations would want to have a list of members in good standing, which distinguishes credible breeders from others who make claims but are not members.

**9) Be it resolved that Section number 7.10 which reads:**

In order for a member to qualify as a candidate for the office of Director in his district, he must be nominated in writing by no fewer than fifteen (15) members in good standing who reside in that District and such nominations must be sent by mail to the Head Office of the Society and post-marked not later than June 30.

**be amended to read:**

In order for a member to qualify as a candidate for the office of Director in his district, he must be nominated in writing by no fewer than ten (10) members in good standing who reside in that District or 10% of the total membership for that District (whichever is the lesser number), and such nominations must be sent by mail or by electronic means to the Head Office of the Society and post-marked not later than June 30.

**Reasoning:**

Lowering the number of members required to nominate a candidate will facilitate those residing in Districts with low member numbers the ability to get the actual number of required nominations. At present, Ontario with 200 members would only need to access 7.5% of their membership to have 15 signatures. SK/MB with 47 members would need 32% and the Maritimes with 41 members would need 36.5%. Amending this by-law would make the acquisition of nominations more proportionate. Including the receipt of nominations electronically facilitates the process for both members and the Society.

**10) Be it resolved that Section number 7.12 which reads:**

The Secretary Manager shall, for each District which is voting that year, send ballots by regular prepaid mail to the members resident in that District on or before July 15 of the election year.

**be amended to read:**

The Secretary Manager shall, for each District which is voting that year, send ballots by regular prepaid mail or electronically to the members resident in that District on or before July 15 of the election

year.

**Reasoning:**

Allowing for electronic voting will decrease costs to the Society and would make voting more efficient for members which in turn should increase voting participation.

**11) Be it resolved that Section number 7.14 which reads:**

With the ballot, an envelope marked Official Ballot and addressed to the Secretary Manager, shall be sent with instructions to return this containing the ballot only, and that in order to be counted, the ballot must be received at the Head Office of the Society on or before August 15 of the election year.

**be amended to read:**

If sent by postal mail, along with the ballot, an envelope marked Official Ballot and addressed to the Secretary Manager, shall be sent with instructions to return this containing the ballot only, and that in order to be counted, the ballot must be received at the Head Office of the Society on or before August 15 of the election year. If sent electronically, instructions to return the ballot will be provided, and in order to be counted, the ballot must be received at such place that has been designated by the Board of Directors on or before August 15 of the election year.

**Reasoning:**

Changes proposed to align with 7.12.

**12) Be it resolved that Section number 7.17 which reads:**

The successful candidates shall be notified of their election as soon as possible once results are known. The newly elected Board will take office directly prior to the Board of Directors, meeting which precedes the Annual General Meeting. Newly elected Directors may add items of concern to the agenda for the Board Meeting prior to taking office.

**be amended to read:**

The successful candidates shall be notified of their election as soon as possible once results are known. The newly elected Board will take office directly prior to the Board of Directors, meeting which precedes the Annual General Meeting, upon signing and submitting a copy of the Canadian Goat Society's Code of Ethics. Newly elected Directors may add items of concern to the agenda for the Board Meeting prior to taking office.

**Reasoning:**

Signing and submitting the Code of Ethics document assists in maintaining Directors' accountability and set expectations for behavior at the Board level and for interactions with members.

**13) Be it resolved that a new Section number 7.22 which reads:**

A Director may be removed from office by the Board of Directors, if a director fails to attend two successive duly called meetings of the Board of Directors without sending regrets or explanation, or conducts himself in a manner inconsistent with the CGS Directors Code of Ethics. This action is subject to notifying the director of the Board's intent in writing, giving the director an opportunity to meet with the Board of Directors to show cause why he should not be removed, and two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors present at a duly called meeting vote in favor of the director's removal.

**be inserted and that all subsequent section (or paragraphs) be renumbered:**

**Reasoning:**

The current by-laws do not stipulate a process wherein the Board itself has the capacity to remove individuals who exhibit behavior that is not in the best interest of the group or the Society that is det-

detrimental to the business of the Society or which contravenes the Code of Ethics.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

In light of the recent difficulties, this is probably a useful addition. However, adding reference to Section 2. Objectives might be worthwhile. and provide information of benefit to the members. It may also be used as a means of distributing ballots to members on those issues requiring their vote.

**14) Be it resolved that Section number 10.3 which reads:**

The Secretary Manager shall deposit all monies received by him in a chartered bank, to the credit of this Society and shall pay same out again by cheque only countersigned by the President or First Vice-President or forward the same to CLRC as hereinafter provided.

**be amended to read:**

The Secretary Manager shall deposit all monies received by the Society into a chartered bank, to the credit of this Society and shall pay same out again by cheque (countersigned by the President or First Vice President), or by other electronic means as determined by the Executive Committee (and with the approval of 2 of 3 of the Executive committee members), or forward the same to CLRC as hereinafter provided.

**Reasoning:** Amendment is being made to update banking practices to be able to utilize modern methods of payment that were not previously available. Utilizing electronic means such as e-transfers and EFT's lower costs to the society and expedites the process of paying invoices. The process for any payment currently requires submission of the invoice to the Executive committee by email with a request for approval to pay. Once approval is given by 2 of the 3 Executive, payment is processed. Third party book keeping services serve as an external control as submission of supporting documents of any payments are made on the day the payments are made helping to ensure that funds are not being used innapropriately.

**15) Be it resolved that Section number 10.4 which reads:**

He shall deposit for safekeeping, all securities owned by this Society in a safety deposit vault as may be approved of by the Board and shall withdraw same only in the presence of the President or other officer named by the Board.

**be deleted and all subsequent sections be renumbered accordingly:**

**Reasoning:**

This is no longer applicable to the Society. At one time this referred to the purchase of items such as bonds where paper copies were received and required safekeeping. Investments of the Society do not involve paper copies requiring the use of a safety deposit vault.

**16) Be it resolved that Section number 10.6 which reads:**

He shall keep proper books of account containing entries of all such matters or things as are usually entered in books of account and shall furnish from time to time, such statements in detail of the affairs of the Society or other such matters as may be directed the by Executive Committee.

**be amended to read:**

He shall keep, or oversee (in the event of the Society engaging external professional accounting services), the proper books of account containing entries of all such matters or things as are usually entered in books of account and shall furnish from time to time, such statements in detail of the affairs of the Society or other such matters as may be directed the by Executive Committee.

**Reasoning:**

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, the use of external accounting services allows the Secretary Manager to focus on other tasks, duties, projects, and priorities that benefit the organization and membership. Professional bookkeepers have the training, the expertise, and the skill set to efficiently and correctly prepare detailed financial statements, to understand changing CRA requirements, and to provide an extra layer of protection against any potential misuse of funds.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

Yes, appropriate. However, is it clear to whom the bookkeeper reports? Is it the Executive Committee or the secretary manager?

**17) Be it resolved that Section number 12.5 which reads:**

The action of any Committee, including the Executive Committee is subject to the approval of the Board.

**be amended to read:**

The action of any Committee, with the exception of the Executive Committee, is subject to the approval of the Board.

**Reasoning:**

Section 12.1 and 12.5 are contradictory. Consultation with Ag Canada on these 2 sections of the by-laws informed the Society that while 12.5 suggests that the Board of Directors should verify, proof or perhaps even modify decisions of the Executive Committee, 12.1 supersedes this by stating that the duty of the Executive and provide information of benefit to the members. It may also be used as a means of distributing ballots to members on those issues requiring their vote.

Committee is to conduct the business affairs of the Society. 12.1 states that the Executive Committee is “accountable” to the Board, but this does not mean they require the “approval” of the Board when conducting the business affairs of the Society. If the Executive Committee requires approval of the board for any and all actions related to the daily business of the Society it defeats the purpose of having an Executive Committee.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

The amendment is appropriate. Typically, the respective responsibilities and authorities of the Membership when meeting at a general meeting, Board, Executive Committee, Manager (or however named) should be described in the by-laws. The highest authority of the Association is when the members meet in a general meeting or special meeting in accordance with the by-laws. Between general meetings, the Board of Directors will have designated responsibilities to manage the business and affairs of the association between general meetings. Similarly, the Executive Committee should have certain responsibilities and authorities as designated in the by-laws, between meetings of the Board. Meanwhile, there will be other officers and committees appointed, whose authorities should be clarified by the implementing body and to whom they will report

**18) Be it resolved that Section number 14.1 & 14.2 which reads:**

14.1 The Society, at each Annual General Meeting shall appoint an Auditor or Auditors. 14.2. His duty shall be to examine the books of account of the Society, vouchers for all payments and certify the usual statement of receipts and expenditures and assets and liabilities for the year as necessary for the Auditors review for presentation to the next annual meeting.



**be amended to read:**

The Society at each annual general meeting shall appoint an Auditor to audit or review the books of Account of the Society and shall present a detailed statement duly audited, or reviewed, of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year and of the assets and liabilities of the Association. A full audit of the books of the Society will occur every 2 years (or more frequently at the discretion of the Board of Directors), with a review of the books of the Society occurring in those years a complete audit is not performed. Reasoning: The cost of a full audit to the Society is currently approximately \$8500.00/audit. In previous and current consultations with Ag Canada, the Society has been advised that a financial review as opposed to a full audit may meet their requirements for financial accountability to the membership.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

The wording of the APA requires an audit every year. However, this provision has existed since the first Act in 1900, and never clarified. Meanwhile, the breadth and expectations Canadian auditing has grown considerably. Our office has not specified how in-depth associations should go, but the basic principles should include; (1) the books and financial activities of the association should be reviewed by capable authorities having the necessary expertise, are independent of the regular business and affairs of the association, abide by current Canadian accounting practices, and agree to operate/report in a professional manner to the designated authority for the association. Once completed, the audit results should be reported to the members. [APA Sec. 60 – “Every Association shall send to the Minister, ... immediately after each annual meeting, ... an audited financial statement ....”] Our office has not specified further detail regarding the complexity of audits, trusting that associations will be prudent fiscal managers of the business and affairs of the association on behalf of their members.

- AAFC agrees, that the proposal seems prudent, but please keep in mind the above.

**19) Be it resolved that Section number 16.1 which reads:**

The annual or other general meetings shall be held at the time and place fixed by the Board. A notice of at least thirty (30) days in advance shall be given to all members. This notice shall include the time and place of the meeting and may be sent by circular letter or to all members or by means of the official organ of the Society.

**be amended to read:**

The annual or other general meetings shall be held at the time and place fixed by the Board. A notice of at least thirty (30) days in advance shall be given to all members. This notice shall include the time and place of the meeting and may be sent by circular letter or electronically to all members or by means of the official organ of the Society.

**Reasoning:**

Provides clarity to means of giving notice of Annual General Meetings by electronic means.

**20) Be it resolved that Section number 16.9 which reads:**

A copy of the minutes of all meetings of the Board shall be mailed in a timely fashion following such meeting, to each Director. be amended to read: A copy of the minutes of all meetings of the Board shall be mailed, or electronically distributed in a timely fashion following such meeting, to each Director.

**be amended to read:**

A copy of the minutes of all meetings of the Board shall be mailed, or electronically distributed in a timely fashion following such meeting, to each Director.

**Reasoning:**

Addition of the word “electronically” provides clarity.

**Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada:**

Yes. However, might there still be a need of flexibility for a few individuals in remote areas without regular electronic capability? May not need new general capability, but agree to accommodate exceptions as best as possible.

**21) Be it resolved that Section number 18.2 which reads:**

It shall present a detailed statement fully audited of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year and of the assets and liabilities of the Society.

**be amended to read:**

It shall present a detailed statement fully audited or reviewed of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year and of the assets and liabilities of the Society.

**Reasoning:**

Addition of “reviewed” added to align this Section with 14.1 and 14.2 The cost of a full audit to the Society is currently approximately \$8500.00/audit. In previous and current consultations with Ag Canada, the Society has been advised that a financial review as opposed to a full audit should generally meet their requirements for financial accountability to the membership.

**22) Be it resolved that Section number 18.4 which reads:**

A copy of the Annual Report shall be made available to all members by mail or by means of the official organ of the Society.

**be amended to read:**

A copy of the Annual Report shall be made available to all members by mail, electronically, or by means of the official organ of the Society.

**Reasoning:**

Addition of the word “electronically” provides clarity.

**23) Be it resolved that Section number 22.5 which reads:**

Any such by-law amendments so passed by the directors shall then be voted on by the members by postal ballot, or by means of the official organ and in order to be properly sanctioned, must be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast.

**be amended to read:**

Any such by-law amendments so passed by the directors shall then be voted on by the members by postal ballot, electronic ballot or by means of the official organ and in order to be properly sanctioned, must be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast.

**Reasoning:**

Addition of the word electronic provides clarity. Comments from the Animal Registration Officer at Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada: This wording suggests a simple majority, meaning 50% + 1. The challenge of this is that there is the possibility that the association can end up getting into votes back and forth each year, 49% to 51% then back the other way the following year, which is unproductive and can generate considerable controversy. Our office in the past, has recommended that associa-



-tions adopt 2/3rds approval to change by-laws, or at least something higher than 50%+1. Further to the matter of section 22, I would like to again recommend that clarifying language be added to 22.1 to specifically define what constitutes a majority vote for the purpose of amendments so that interpretation issues are avoided in the future

**24) Be it resolved that Section number 31.1 which reads:**

In the case of the sale of an animal or an embryo where the animal or embryo is sold as or advertised for sale as, registered or recorded, the seller must furnish a certificate of registration showing the purchaser's ownership. Refusal to do so on any pretext whatsoever, except under written contract, shall be grounds for his expulsion, if a member, from the Society.

**be amended to read:**

In the case of the sale of an animal or the interest in an animal, the Animal Pedigree Act (APA) requires that all animals sold as registered stock must be officially transferred by the seller and the certificate of the registration presented to the purchaser within 6 months of sale. Unless otherwise agreed upon, the date of sale is the date the animal (s) is paid for in full. Failure to do so on any pretext whatsoever (except under written contract) shall be grounds for expulsion in the case of a member, or for refusal of registration or transfer in the case of a non-member.

**Reasoning:**

Adding the requirement that transfer must be in the hands of the purchaser within 6 months of the date of sale provides clarity on the role of the seller of the animal and the expectations for the buyer.

**25) Be it resolved that Section number 36 which reads:**

Membership dues and fees charged for registration, transfers and other services and licenses of the Society shall be established at a meeting of the Board by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board at that meeting and shall be enacted by the Board. In the event of an increase in the CLRC levy, the fee structure of the Society is subject to immediate revision at the sole discretion of the Executive. Any fee structure changes occurring under these circumstances are limited to a percentage adjustment based on the percentage of change in the CLRC levy.

**be amended to read:**

Membership dues and fees charged for registration, transfers and other services and licenses of the Society shall be established at a meeting of the Board by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board at that meeting and shall be enacted by the Board. In the event of an increase in the CLRC levy, the fee structure of the Society is subject to immediate revision at the sole discretion of the Executive.

**Reasoning:**

Current wording that permits fee increases only based on a percentage for adjustment based on changes in CLRC levies has in the past, resulted in programs and services being provided at a deficit to the Society.

## APPENDIX 1 – CLRC Fee Schedule Changes

### CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY FEE SCHEDULE

<u>ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:</u>	2022	2024		
Includes an annual SelBase membership on <a href="http://www.goatgenetics.ca">www.goatgenetics.ca</a> . Annual Membership Fee, due on January 1 <sup>st</sup> of each year.....	85.15	85.15		
<b>Annual Membership Fee AFTER MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> each year.....</b>	110.15	110.15		
 <b><u>ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP - NEW MEMBERS:</u></b>				
includes annual membership fee and choice of Registered herd name and tattoo letters and an annual SelBase membership on <a href="http://www.goatgenetics.ca">www.goatgenetics.ca</a> .....	95.25	95.25		
<b><u>ANNUAL JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP:</u></b> (applicant must be under 18 years of age)				
<b>Annual Membership Fee</b> , due on January 1 <sup>st</sup> , of each year. Also includes an annual SelBase membership on <a href="http://www.goatgenetics.ca">www.goatgenetics.ca</a> .....	50.15	50.15		
<b><u>NEW ANNUAL JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP</u></b> (applicant must be under 18 years of age)				
includes annual membership fee and choice of Registered herd name and tattoo letters and an annual SelBase membership on <a href="http://www.goatgenetics.ca">www.goatgenetics.ca</a> .....	60.25	60.25		
 <b>REJECT FEE.....</b>	20.80	35.00		
 <b>RUSH SERVICE</b> - In addition to regular transaction fee. Must be included in remittance	50.65	50.65		
 <b><u>REGISTRATION &amp; RECORDATION</u></b>				
	<b>Member</b>	<b>Non Member</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Non Member</b>
<b><u>ANIMALS BORN IN CANADA</u></b>				
All animals – up to 18 months .....	20.65	40.65	20.65	40.65
18-30 months .....	30.65	60.65	30.65	60.65
30-48 months .....	75.65	150.65	75.65	150.65
over 48 months .....	100.65	200.65	100.65	200.65
Volume Registration (minimum 10) - paperless, electronic .....	12.65	24.65	12.65	24.65
URG animals (Unrecorded Grade) .....	20.65	40.65	20.65	40.65
<b><u>IMPORTED ANIMALS:</u></b>				
All Animals (no age limit) .....	46.65	92.65	46.65	92.65
Volume Imports (minimum of 10 animals submitted as a group) .....	36.65	72.65	36.65	2.65
 <b><u>TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP</u></b> .....				
<b><u>VOLUME TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP</u></b> (minimum 10) .....	21.75	41.50	21.75	41.50
	15.65	30.65	15.65	30.65
<b><u>WHOLE HERD TRANSFER</u></b>				
(1) a family				
(2) to settle an estate or partnership (no minimum number of animals required for 1 & 2) or				
(3) the transfer of a whole herd with a minimum of 30 animals provided that all animals including semen, embryos and fertilized ova are being transferred to the same owner. (Updated certificates are not provided. If a certificate is required, the transfer of ownership within 60 days of sale fee will apply.)	31.50	N/A	25.00	50.00
Registration of Herd Name .....	15.55	30.55	25.00	50.00
Transfer of Ownership of a Herd Name .....	15.55	30.55	25.00	50.00
Registration of Tattoo Letters .....	15.90	30.90	25.00	50.00
Transfer of ownership of Tattoo Letters .....	15.65	30.65	25.00	50.00
Duplicate and Revised (re-issued) certificates <b>(without corrections)</b> .....	16.35	32.35	17.00	34.00
Registration of lease agreement .....	17.50	33.50	25.00	50.00
<b><u>DNA Testing</u></b> .....	50.65	50.65	50.65	50.65
<b><u>G6-S Testing</u></b> .....	37.65	37.65	37.65	37.65
<b>New</b> – Duplicate and Revised (re-issued) certificates <b>(with corrections)</b> ..	N/A	N/A	25.00	50.00
<b>Quarterly Magazine</b> – Annual Subscription (4 issues).....	N/A	50.00	N/A	N/A