



Board of Directors Meeting
July 16, 2009 (Wednesday)
6:30pm –7:45pm (EST)
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I. Meeting Opening:

In attendance: Kristie Smoker, President, Ken Clark, Vice President, Chuck Gulotta, Treasurer, Randy Strong and Terri Kinka, Members at Large

- Agreement on June 17 meeting minutes and current agenda. Ken made a motion to accept the 6/17 BOD minutes, Kristie seconded, all in attendance approved.

II. Discussion of Treasurer Transition (Kristie, Chuck):

- Discussed Chuck's resignation as Treasurer to a Member at Large. Chuck said he would continue to help the incoming Treasurer. Ken moved to accept his resignation as Treasurer but remain a Member at Large until the end of his tenure in October. Terri seconded the motion and all in attendance agreed.
- It was then discussed that Terri would be taking over as Treasurer as of August 1. Ken moved to accept Terri as Treasurer; Chuck seconded the motion; all in attendance approved.
- Chuck is to be writing a letter to the current bookkeeper, Dennis Tompsky, to terminate his services as of July 31. Chuck will pay Dennis' invoice and draft this letter from both he and Kristie thanking him for his services. This letter should be mailed to Dennis the week of 7/20.

III. 2010 Jubilee Planning Update (Kristie):

- Kristie has been speaking with Scott and Kevin regarding the 2010 Jubilee timelines. They will be looking at other ways to cut costs and are currently working on the AOBA certification. We would like conversations to begin regarding the Jubilee during National Alpaca Farm Days in September. Kristie is having a flyer made up for farms to have available to visitors regarding next year's Jubilee. She also has extra newsletters that she will be offering to farms to put out for National Alpaca Farm Days – they will be on a first come, first serve basis with the cost being the cost of shipping and when they're gone, they're gone.
- Chuck reiterated the fact that a significant amount of money is spent on the Jubilee managers. He thought that maybe a "share the wealth or share the defeat" idea might be put in to their contract, meaning that if we get within a certain amount of dollars, they get their whole fee, but if we don't, it would be a reduced fee.
- Chuck also stated that this year's herdsire auction brought in a significant amount of money. Instead of giving it all away to a charity, we should consider keeping some of it to defray costs.



- Next we talked about keeping the Jubilee a 60/40 show or taking it to a 50/50. There was discussion and Randy indicated that NJAC is doing a 60/40 show as well as others that have taken it to that. Ken made a motion to keep the Jubilee 60/40; Terri seconded, all in attendance approved.

IV. Miscellaneous items for discussion:

- Sarah Donahoe drafted a letter to send to the MAPACA affiliates requesting members to the MAPACA membership committee. Randy sent this letter to all board members for approval/suggestions. It was discussed and Randy/Sarah will be sending the letter via email to the affiliate presidents and copying their respective boards.

V. Kristie is suggesting making the newsletter a paypal option. No free ads will be given to sponsors for the 2010 Jubilee – the cost is too significant. An increase/change in pricing may be looked at for non-members to place ads. The next issue – Fall – will be Kristie's last in that capacity. Someone will need to take over the newsletter. Please talk to Kristie if you are interested.

- Ken expressed that Empire Alpaca Association donated \$750 to help fund Cornell Veterinary student Eric Long's trip to the International Alpaca Conference. Discussion was about the vet grant program and what it has been for in the past – continuing/active vets. Ken made a motion to reimburse Eric \$677 with the stipulation that he forward receipts for monies spent and write an article regarding the seminar to be put in the fall newsletter. Randy seconded the motion; all in attendance approved. Ken will be in touch with Eric regarding this.

V. Close of Meeting:

- Randy made a motion to close the meeting, Chuck seconded, and the meeting ended.