

February 15, 2013

Maine Alpaca Association, Board of Directors Meeting

The board of directors met at the Frontier Restaurant in Brunswick. In attendance were Karen Woods, President; Ann Sylvester, VP; Ky Wolterbeek, Secretary; Tami Wayboer, Livestock Coordinator; and Lois Brace, Communicatins and New Farm Liason. Ginny Rebar, State Livestock Education Liason was unable to attend. Pam Drew will continue to maintain our membership records and be the treasurer.

We had a proposal from Janis Piper who offered to continue to keep the MAA web site up-to-date. Unanimously we agreed that this was a great offer and we have accepted her proposal.

The following dates have been set for MAA membership meetings:

April 6th or 13th (there are a couple of conflicts so we will get the dateset as soon as possible with and send out an invitation to all members)

September 14th

November 30th, which will be the annual Gala event!

We have agreed on membership meetings to be approximately one hour of business followed by a workshop. The first workshop will be setting up your Open Herd site and learning to work within it.

Lois and Ann agreed to put together a "Welcome Packet" for new members. The idea is that a completely electronic packet would be best.

Once again, the board of directors discussed the value of the MAA and where it's membership wants it to go. We all believe in the value of the MAA but do understand that everyone is so busy with their own lives that it is hard to always participate in events and/or meetings. We are hopeful to keep time commitments reasonable and continue to build a thriving Maine Alpaca Association as well as alpaca community. With that in mind, please feel free to join us at our board of director meetings (which will be held prior to membership meetings) or to contact us with suggestions and ways to move our industry forward.

The Fiber Frolic is June 1 & 2 --ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!!!!