Calpaca BOD Meeting Minutes

Date: April 19, 2021 (3rd Monday of the month)

Time: 7:00pm

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The California Alpaca Breeders Association (Calpaca) represents alpaca owners, breeders, and enthusiasts in California and beyond. We promote the well-being of alpacas and education of the public about alpacas, alpaca fiber, and alpaca products. We support each other through shared information and experiences, and host meetings, speakers and shows for the benefit of members and the public.

Welcome and call to Order -- Dianna

Meeting called to order at 7:08pm

Attendees & Officers:

Dianna Jordan-President Steve Craig-Vice President Jackie Jones-Treasurer Megan Kukla-Secretary Stacey Payne-Director (Membership)

Item 1: Discussion/Action—Minutes: Megan

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the minutes from the March 15, 2021 Board meeting as written.

Discussion: N/A

Motion by: Steve Craig Second by: Jackie Jones

Vote: ALL in favor ---- against ---- abstain

Item 2: Discussion/Action—Confirmation of Email Vote - Trailer with show panels Round 1 Move: Dianna

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the unanimous approval of the special email vote.

Discussion: N/A

Motion by: Dianna Jordan "I motion to approve the \$600 charge to move the semi-trailer filled with the panels

needed for the California Classic show from Los Banos, CA to Turlock CA."

Second by: Jackie Jones

Vote: ALL in favor ---- against ---- abstain

Item 3: Discussion/Action—Treasurer's Report: Jackie

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Discussion: N/A

Motion by: Megan Kukla Second by: Steve Craig

Vote: ALL in favor ---- against ---- abstain

Item 4: Update-Membership: Jackie

April 2021

New Members = 6 Associate Members = 11 Farm Members = 60 Total Members = 77

Item 5: NEW BUSINESS

Item 5A: Trailer with show panels - Storage - Dianna

<u>Background for discussion</u>: Prior to the first California Classic to be held at the Merced County Fairgrounds, the Calpaca BOD at that time, approved the purchase of the semi-trailer filled with approximately 700 livestock panels. The trailer and panels were previously owned by IAO (International Alpaca Odyssey) and used for their shows. The purchase price was \$3000. The reason for purchasing by Calpaca: the panels available through the fairgrounds are not high enough to safely contain the alpacas. There aren't any other rental options available for that location. Until April 2021, the trailer was being stored at a Calpaca member's ranch with no charge for storing. In March 2021 it was requested that the trailer be removed from the host ranch.

A new host location was secured and Calpaca contracted for \$600 with a driver to relocate the trailer. See Item 2 above. On April 13 the trailer was relocated. Due to unforeseen circumstances, a request was made to the board to immediately find a new location and remove the trailer from the property. The immediate solution was to secure a spot at a storage facility until, or if, a location that will store the trailer without a \$100 a month fee can be located.

Discussion Points:

Dianna: (Personal Opinion) We approve the monthly storage through the conclusion of the 2022 California Classic. Calpaca has made a commitment to the members who are involved in showing their animals to host the show in 2022. The fairgrounds have already been secured and expenses carried over from the cancellation of the 2021 show have already been paid. The trailer expenses, including transport to and from the fairgrounds, will be included in the 2022 California Classic show budget.

<u>Discussion:</u> The Board agrees to store the trailer/panels but would like to discuss with the membership at the May membership meeting. Since the Board is concerned with how storing the trailer long term will affect the Calpaca accounts, they would like to get feedback from the membership.

Motion by: Dianna Jordan "I motion to approve the \$100 monthly fee to store the semi-trailer filled with the panels needed for the California Classic show with the expense being included in the California Classic show budget."

Second by: Jackie Jones

Vote: ALL in favor ---- against ---- abstain

Item 5B: Trailer with show panels Round 2 Move -- Dianna

Approve the \$600 charge to move the semi-trailer filled with the panels needed for the California Classic show from non-Calpaca member ranch in Turlock to a storage facility near the fairgrounds in Merced.

<u>Discussion:</u> The Board agrees to pay the Round 2 move fee to the Storage facility, but would like feedback from the membership before making a permanent long term storage decision.

Motion by: Dianna Jordan Second by: Jackie Jones

Vote: ALL in favor ---- against ---- abstain

Item 5C: Appointment of 2021 nominating committee -- **Dianna** (Informational Only)

Section 6. Elections of Board of Directors.

<u>6.1 Nomination Committee.</u> The Board of Directors and President shall provide for the appointment, at least six (6) months before the Annual Meeting, of three (3) Voting Members, none of whom shall be a Director, to constitute a Nomination Committee. The Committee shall actively recruit and nominate candidates for election as Directors for the ensuing terms. The Nomination Committee shall recruit and nominate at least two (2) candidates for each vacancy of the Board.

The President of the Association shall appoint committee members with the approval of the Board.

Action item: Dianna—recruit members of the 2021 nominating committee and present to the board for approval at the June 2021 board meeting. Dianna Jordan plans to re-run for another 2 years. Jackie Jones and Megan Kukla will not be re-running.

Item 6: Committee/Event/Board Updates

- a. **Symposium:** Sept 18, 2021 Nailed down speakers and topics. Moving right along.
- b. Election of 2022 BOD (October 2021) Reminder to stay on top of this.
- c. **Gold Country 2021:** still a go October 15-17—this is the last year Tracy DiPippo will serve as the event manager Need to call for volunteers.
- d. Ag Day at the Capitol (March2022) Virtual only in 2021. If we continue in 2022 we need a chairperson.
- e. California Classic 2022 March 25-27

Item 7: Round Table

- <u>Board communication—Dianna</u> Please reply to Dianna when she sends an email, so she is aware it has been seen.
- Membership follow-up—Stacey/Steve Stacey will actively recruit as she completes shearing over the next couple of months. Stacey will also provide a one sheet of information on Calpaca membership and its activities.
- <u>Openherd updates—Dianna</u> Dianna has been keeping up with this. Just the last two people need to be removed. New members still need to be reminded of the advantages of Open Herd.
- Questions, concerns, comments N/A

Item 8: Upcoming Membership Meeting Schedule:

- May 2021 Mother's Day weekend Black Rock Mountain Mill, Fernley NV Topic: mills Dianna will be there in person.
- August 2021 Macedo's Mini Acre, Turlock CA Topic: Agritourism
- November 2021 Alpacas of Somerset Farm, Fair Play CA Topic: TBD

Next Board Meeting: Monday, May 17, 2021 @ 7pm

Motion to adjourn

Motion by: Steve Craig Second by: Stacey Payne Adjourned at 7:51pm