CALPACA - Board Meeting Minutes

Teleconference September 9, 2014 – Start time 7pm

Call-in Conference Line has been verified with a credit card - Call in 888 236 9224 room #872630. If you are first in the room the room # is 600317. Conference room has to be signed out of to complete the call.

Attending: Laurie Findlay, Phyl Clempson, Karen Ball, Karen Kelly & Lisa Beatty Absent: N/A

Call to Order – Laurie Findlay, President at 7:07PM

- Secretary Report Lisa
 - The Board reviewed the August 12, 2014 meeting minutes. It was agreed by all Board members that the minutes were accurate as written. Karen Ball made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting, seconded by Karen Kelly, and unanimously approved by all.
- Treasurer Report Karen
 - Karen Kelly provided a financial report which included an update on the CALPACA operating budget. There was a question on a bad check which Karen confirmed was repaid. Karen indicated that insurance has gone up \$772.00. Karen reported \$16K in payments that had been received for Gold Country Gathering. This was confirmed by a transaction report from PayPal. Karen updated the BOD that the only expenses for the month were for Diana Jordan and the Lambtown sponsorship. Rick and Pam will bill for postage of the election mailing.
 - Show/Event Accounting Update
 - Gold Country Gathering After the show is completed, Karen will transfer money from the GCG account to Cal Classic Round-up account, Phyl confirmed that Paypal requires that there are some funds left in the accounts used, after transferring the majority of the funds to another account.
- Membership Update Lisa/Laurie
 - Lisa gave the membership update calling out 106 total members; 96 Farm and 10 Associate. Laurie confirmed that she had connected with the new farm member and updated the Board that this member is now listed on the website. Pam is getting an email address for the associate member so Laurie can add them to the Googlegroups, Connection etc...
 - Renewals preparation The Board discussed options for driving renewals prior to the end of 2014. It was agreed that the renewal fee would be advertised at \$95.00 if members renew for 2015 by December 31, 2014. The Board agreed there would be no prorating of fees, and that members who wish to join between September and December would have their fees applied to the next year's membership.
- Website
 - Laurie updated the Board that there was nothing really new to discuss regarding the website. She did indicate that the Board should give some thought to finding a member or hire someone with html experience for doing website posting as Joyce Judy may not wish to continue helping long term. Laurie let the Board know that Open Herd is \$75.00 per hour to do this kind of work.
 - Facebook There are 145 Facebook members on Calpaca's Facebook page.
- Old Business from Minutes
 - Election Update the Board discussed the election schedule and the slate of candidates.

- CA Classic Round-Up 2015
 - Event Manager RFP Kay has someone who was interested in doing the show who is local, whereas flying her in is more expensive, but she would be happy to do it. It has been projected as a really hard not fun job nobody would want to do it. The Board discussed and agreed that Kay would be the best choice to be the Event Manager, and perhaps mentor her friend or someone else to prep them for shows in the future. The board agreed that Kay would be a brilliant mentor. Karen Ball is going to discuss the Board's preference with Kay.
- o Gold Country Gathering 2014
 - Event Manager's Update Karen Ball reported there was nothing really new for Gold Country other than a final payment for the Fairgrounds would need to be paid. Karen reported that entries were coming in and that good sponsorships had been received.
 - Fleece Show Update Karen Kelly reported that the fleece show was moving along and interesting. Karen discussed a call from a confused fleece show entrant and raised a good point that all fleece entrants should get a reminder call to submit their fleeces. Karen reported that 48 fleeces had been entered in 28 classes and commented that talking up the early bird got it going.
- New Business no new business to report.
- Quarterly Meetings for 2014
 - o November 2014 Karen Ball/Russell Ratti Heart & Soul Alpacas Fiber Mill tour
- 2015 Quarterly Meetings Update
 - May 2015: Is a ranch in Nevada confirmed for the May membership meeting? Laurie will reconfirm and report back. The locations that are confirmed are:
 - Alpacas All Around Tom & Susan Peterson (February)
 - Alpacas of Marin Sandy Wallace (August)
 - Derwydd Alpacas Dale Davis (November)

Round Robin (All) Laurie noted that her term be would coming to an end, and confirmed that she will put together a list of all the things that she does so the newly elected Calpaca president can make sure things aren't missed like adding/removing members who have renewed/not renewed.

The next BOD meeting is October 14, 2014.

Adjourned at 8:30 PM