

## Minutes Calpaca BOD

Dec. 14, 2015 7 pm

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**Call to Order:** Karen Ball at 7:05      **Attendees:** Karen Ball, Sandra Wallace, Karen Kelly, Steve Aitchison, Charlene Schmid

**Minutes of the BOD meeting** Nov. 9, 2015 have been unanimously approved.

**Minutes of Membership Meeting** Nov. 14, 2015 have not been reviewed by BOD and will be re-sent.

### Membership Update:

These are the renewing from 2015, reapplying from 2013 & 2014 [Dipippo & Dotson] , and one new member [Jurgens]. Please make sure that they are added in the Openherd group and the Google group. And that they receive the *Connection*.

Aitchison	Steve & Casey			Epic Alpacas	5273 Hornitos Road
Arns	Vicki			Alpaca Shire	21740 Burndale Rd
Crane	Sid & Susan			Andante Alpacas	56 Mimosa Lane
DiPippo	Tracy			Angel Dreams Alpacas	291 Race St.
Dotson	Kathryn & Anton				230 Donald Dr.
Findlay	Scott & Laurie			Alpacas of El Dorado	4535 Boo Bear Lane
Gyuro	Richard & Renate			Alpacas at Lone Ranch	13856 Weowna Way
Jurgens	Lauren			Halona Ranch Alpacas	14420 Sandoval Rd.
Kuhlmann	Howard & Cynthia			Sierra Rose Alpacas	15895 Greenhorn Rd.
Petersen	Tom & Susan			Alpacas All Around	4300 Hansen Rd
Potter	Bonnie	Anema	August	Fair Winds Alpacas	8600 Hastings Lane
Rabe	Dennis & Vicki			101 Alpacas Ranch	900 El Camino Real North
Schmid	Charlene			Integrity Alpacas & Fiber	7490 N. Meridian Road
Wallace	Sandy	Frankel	Michael	Alpacas of Marin/ SoCal Suri Alpacas	PO Box 128
Zachary	Barbara			New Age Alpacas	9460 Santa Clara Rd.

As of today, our 2016 membership is:

Total	33
Farm	28
Associate	5

2015 membership remains unchanged at 106 members.

***This is probably not complete—KB sent in her renewal with ballot, but isn't listed. KK states she did get KB's check . SW will ask Pam Brady if her count includes those who sent in checks***

***with ballots? Per Treasurer, KK, we are ahead of where we were in membership revenues at this time last year. KB requests a list of new members from KK.***

Calpaca T-shirts will be distributed at the next membership meeting.  
Raffle drawing for all 2016 memberships Dec. 31, 2015, to win Symposium tuition.

### **Membership Meeting Schedule:**

Colusa Riverside Alpacas Feb. 13, 2016

Epic Alpacas Change date to May 7, 2016 (Mother's Day weekend)—CABA conflict on scheduled date, May 14. We need to publicize this. SA will publish schedule for all upcoming meetings on our website.

Ranch of the Oaks August, 13, 2016

KB suggests that we should try to get something more central for our November membership meeting.

KB suggests that the host be responsible for taking roll and getting that to the secretary. **We should add this to our bylaws.**

### **Treasurer's Report**

(Account Balance sheet and Budget to date appended.)

With a balance of \$15K, it appears that the 3 organizations involved in the West Coast Alpaca Show broke even—each will get their initial \$5K back. KK will contact the WCAS board explaining that the \$15K will be distributed, and finalize the accounting.

Budget report reviewed. KK states that our bank is offering us an alternative to a credit card, which could save us a few hundred dollars. CS points out that we may be able to accomplish the same without a credit card—using PayPal. KK and SA will look into this possibility.

**Assignment of Positions of BOD Members** SW will continue as secretary. KK will be continue as treasurer, assures BOD that she has written instructions for the next treasurer. KB will continue as president and SA will continue as “member at large” and “tech guru”. CS will be our new vice president—KB reviewed the responsibilities of Vice President.

(CS is being added to the BOD email and Lisa Beatty is being removed.)

KB reminds us that when we pick a candidate for election next year we should be mindful of the particular needs of the BOD, such as “tech” and “treasurer”. SA offers to help out whether or not he's on the BOD in future.

**Herdshire Edition of Connection** KB got update from Dianna Jordan. Some ads have been reserved, but probably many more plan to participate. We need to find out from Dianna what our “break even” goal is—SA will speak with her

**Cal Classic Update** CS (Event Planner) has rented the hall at the venue for the Saturday dinner, and she is making arrangements for caterer—the theme will be Hawaiian Luau. AOA Waiver request is in for walking fleece show—AOA Show Committee meets in January. Will have to update the judge if walking fleece is approved.

KB suggests we advertise our judge, Dianna Timmerman, as an incentive to enter the show.

**Symposium Update** Nancy Chapel will be airline sponsor. Registration numbers could be higher, and early bird registration ends Dec. 18. Dale Davis asks if AOA will give a discount on eblasts to AOA membership for affiliate events. KB will check tomorrow about eblast via AOA.

**Gold Country Gathering-** KB is encountering some difficulty in finding an Event Manager. Russell Ratti could be called upon to be Barn Manager, so that those responsibilities would be separated from Event Manager. Teisha Bronner might be a possibility. Sandy will prepare an RFP for the event. Cynthia Kuhlman might be a possibility. Because we have a lot of members who live in the area, there should be a lot of support available. CS will contact Cynthia and Teisha about applying for Event Manager.

**AOA Membership drive update;** We all need to look at the minutes of the last AOA BOD meeting, in Organization Tab, for the strategic planning meeting.

Sandy will follow up on details and costs of membership levels with Bonnie Potter, and send out an eblast to Calpaca membership.

**Round Robin:** KB has sent a letter to AOA on behalf of the Calpaca membership. She included the unanimous request that Walking Fleece competition be included as a standard option in AOA sanctioned shows going forward.

Charlene is looking around for a location for our Strategic Planning Meeting. We will change the date to Jan. 30, 2016.

Will still have BOD Jan. 11, 2016.

**Adjournment at 8:10.**

**Sandra Wallace**  
**Secretary, Calpaca**