

2019 Calpaca February Meeting Minutes

Date: February 5, 2019

Time: 7pm

Dial in (641) 715-3580 Access Code 845-947 PIN 4194

Call to Order: 7:02

Attendees & Officers:

Charlene Payne Schmid- President

Maureen Macedo- Vice President

Tracy DiPippo- Treasurer

Darcy Phillips- Member at Large

Dianna Jordan- Secretary

Item 1: Discussion/Action—Minutes of January BOD Meeting:

Recommendation: Approve the January BOD meeting minutes

Motion by: Tracy D

Second by: Darcy P

Discussion of motion:

Vote: 5 favor oppose abstain **Motion passed unanimously**

Item 2: Discussion/Action—Treasurer's Report:

Recommendation: Treasurer's report be approved

Motion by: Maureen M

Second by: Dianna J

Discussion of motion:

Vote: 5 favor oppose abstain **Motion passed unanimously**

Item 3: Update—Membership totals

Farm_61___ Assoc___2___ New__24___

Discussion: How to update the Calpaca email account. It was decided Dianna Jordan, as secretary, would be responsible for checking up on how to do this.

Item 4: Update—Upcoming Membership Meeting Schedule:

February 9, 2019 – Menagerie Hill, Deb Galway

May 18, 2019 – Back 40 Farms, Jackie Jones

August 10, 2019 – Windy Hills, Cindy Harris (Tracy to confirm)

November 9, 2019 –

Item 5: Discussion—Membership Classes and Dues: What changes might bring greater benefit to members?

Article IV, Section 2 Membership reads:

There shall be two classes of members: Farm Member and Associate Member. The Board may set different privileges for each class; Farm members shall have the right to vote, as set forth in Section 3 of this Article IV, for the election of directors, on a disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation, on a merger and on a dissolution. Members of each class shall also have all of the rights afforded members under the California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law.

Article IV, Section 4. Dues reads:

Annual dues shall be set by the Board and approved by the Membership.

After discussion it was determined this topic will be moved to the Strategic Planning session and whatever is decided will be implemented in the 2020 membership drive.

Item 6A: Discussion— Define role of symposium event manager in relationship to the Committee and the BOD

There was a discussion about whether there should be an event manager for the symposium or just a committee chair. It was decided if there was a committee chair and the committee member responsibilities were well defined there was not a need for an event manager. We also discussed naming task force members to assist the committee.

Item 6B: Discussion/Action— Establishment of Five Symposium Committee Members:

Recommendation: President appoints Symposium Committee members:

Steve Aitchison—recommended to be the Committee Chair
Dale Davis / Jackie Jones
Janet Hayes
Russell James
Trish Brandt-Robuck (Cal-Ila/LANA member)

Motion by: Motion to approve the Symposium Committee members as presented by President made by Dianna J

Second by: Tracy D

Discussion of motion:

There was discussion about the reasoning behind the selection process.

Vote: 5 favor oppose abstain **Motion passed unanimously**

Item 7: Discussion/Update—Additional 2019 Calpaca roles:

1. Election Chair – Linda Cline
2. Ag day Chair –Charlene
3. Nominating committee – Laurie Findley, Dale Davis
4. Response to Connections and membership directory RFP—**at this point only one interested respondent**

Item 8: Discussion— Website

1. Need for an RFP for a paid person to update - with board liaison
2. If updated by BOD workshop, can we maintain it?

It was determined that the discussion of the website and how it will be maintained will become a live working discussion through Zoom as part of strategic planning.

Item 9: Discussion— Strategic Planning Questions

1. Make note of progress on last year's goals
2. Do we need to add more at this time?
3. Suggest virtual work meeting to update entire website

It was determined there would not be a physical gathering of board members for the 2020 strategic planning. The board will continue working the goals from last year. A date will be set to meet through Zoom, a virtual meeting platform. See below

Item 10: Discussion/Action— Subscribe to virtual meeting platform

Recommendation: Subscribe to Zoom for virtual meeting of monthly board work and committee meetings. \$15/month Pro membership—secretary books meetings for BOD and Committee use

Motion by: Maureen M

Second by: Darcy P

Discussion of motion:

Vote: ___5___ favor ___ ___ oppose ___ ___ abstain **Motion passed unanimously**

Item 11: Discussion— Membership Meeting Agenda

November minutes approval

Treasurer report

Membership report

New members

Bruce Nelson Citizen of the Year

Update on Strategic planning (what we achieved last year, and discussion points for this year)

this will be communicated to the membership

Ag Day—**Charlene is taking over the planning for this year**

Classic Round Up

Fiber collections

Gold Country update

Symposium update—**final numbers aren't in yet**

Round Table:

Cal Classic Update: **plans are moving right along**

Fiber committee: **Members are attending Stitches West February 22-24. A committee member meeting will be held on Friday the 22nd at the event.**

Gold Country Update:

Symposium:

Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

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ACTION ITEMS:

CHARLENE: connect with Steve about the Calpaca gmail account, select virtual meetings platforms for strategic planning and website updates meeting.

DARCY: will talk to SoCal members regarding putting on a show in SoCal

DIANNA: Openherd---follow-up with Joe and Jan about what is included in the Calpaca Openherd plan. What are the exclusive benefits? What support is provided and what support is billed to Calpaca?

CHARLENE: be sure to include a discussion about the findings and suggestions from the Fiber Committee as to Calpaca's involvement with Stitches West participation in 2020.