

Calpaca Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2009

Meeting Started: 7:00pm

Attending: *Dennis Rabe, Jack Jordan, Bonnie Potter, Dale Davis, Tom Petersen, Kay Rodriguez.*

Absent: None.

Meeting Ended: 8:32 pm

Committee and Event Reports

1. **UC Davis Camelid Symposium:** *Bonnie and Dale*

Bonnie and Dale reported on the status of the Symposium. There was a discussion of whether to subsidize vets sponsored by Calpaca members as we have done in the past or to donate a specific dollar amount to the Symposium as a Sponsor, which would provide more income for the Symposium budget.

Motion: Dale Davis moved that \$1500 be donated to the Symposium Budget.

Second: Tom Peterson

Ayes	5	Nays	0
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Motion: Tom Peterson moved that Calpaca write to the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) and explain what we are doing to support veterinarians and vet students, and also offer to pay the Symposium registration for a vet of their choice.

Second: Dale Davis.

Ayes	5	Nays	0
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2. **CA Classic: Halter Superintendent:** *Joyce and Dale*

Joyce offered to be Show Superintendent to try and save the Association money.

The board was not comfortable with having the show superintendent hiring herself as the Halter show superintendent. In finding a show superintendent, the board preferred to have the position contracted out, and have it be a competitive bid process. The main concern in the bid process will be to get a top quality person for a fair price, providing the best experience for the participants.

Motion: Dale Davis moved that for Calpaca shows, the event manager will not be the show superintendent.

Second: Tom Peterson

Ayes	5	Nays	
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The AOBA software is having some difficulties getting their software to run flawlessly. It was decided to have Joyce add the cost for software back into the budget.

In the past we have not charged for the special classes and production classes in an effort to get folks to register for the classes. Now the classes are very popular.
Motion: Dale Davis moved that for Calpaca shows we charge an entry fee of \$35 for normal entries and yearling bred and owned, and an entry fee of \$20.00 for all other production classes.

Second: Dennis Rabe

Ayes	5	Nays	
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Secretaries Report: *Dennis*

1. October Board Minutes Approval

Due to technical difficulties, Bonnie has not had an opportunity to do the final edit of October minutes at this time. She will send out the final edited copy for review as it becomes available.

Treasurer's Report: *Jack*

1. Status of issues re: Aase and the Connection:

Aase had a concern regarding the ease of use of the updated Connection account. Jack has worked to resolve the stumbling block of Aase not having yet received her Debit Card for the Connection account. Jack is sending her an updated card so there should not be any problem with this situation any longer. Dale also mentioned that there would be need of using the CALPACA credit card to secure the catering of the Symposium. Jack said that it won't be a problem using the CALPACA credit card.

Old/Unfinished Business

1. Future Calpaca Meeting Selection Descisions:

February - Karen Ball - 4 Sight Farms (Fiber uses), May - Bruce Nelson – Ah Sweet Alpacas (Marty McGee, Training), August - Haley Jessup - West Ranch (Eye injuries), November - Airell Nygarrd -EvenTyrGaard Alpacas (Dr. Bravo Ultrasound). Bonnie to contact the selected ranches to solidify the meeting plans before formal announcement is made to the members.

2. AOBA 2009 Student Design Competition ... AOBA e-blast?

It was suggested that it would be nice to acknowledge our members that sponsored students in an email through the AOBA email blast program to recognize our members that stepped up to the plate for the competition, Dale to write it and get it out very soon.

3. Potential Future Fall Shows

Eva Fischer is preparing a proposal for a fall show. The board asked that she send us a budget for review as part of the proposal. Tentatively, the show would be the 23-24th of October. The other possibility would be to have a small show at the Lambtown event if it remains at the same time as it was in 2009. It would be a small show to introduce the sheep and other fiber producers to the alpaca industry.

New Business

1. Membership Year defined/? pro-rate dues

Lin Murray asked for a definition of when the annual membership begins and ends? Also this is needed to see if we should pro-rate the membership for late joiners.

Motion: Jack Jordan moved to have our dues year run from January 1 to December 31 to match our fiscal year. Also the deadline for paying and getting included in the guide and on the website would move to February 15.

Second: Dennis Rabe

Ayes	5	Nays	
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Bonnie is going to ask Lin to give us a proposal on how she would word a prorated type of membership, what would the rules be? What would we call lapsed members that come back into the association?

Membership Announcement:

New CALPACA Members: David & Sheila Scroggins, Colusa Riverside Alpacas

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Minutes submitted by Dennis Rabe, Secretary.