Minutes from Calpaca Board Teleconference September 21, 2010 7:00 p.m.

On call Tom, Dale and Kay. Absent Jack. Dennis joined at 8:30pm

- 1. August minutes approved via email and posted-Motion to approve
- 2. Old Business

Feedback on RFP's for Show Announcer- Jack not here to discuss. Listening Posts/Member Feedback-Tom, No volunteers from 8/14 meeting PAC-Agenda for 14th -Option Farm Bureau-Not discussed with FB contact – Tom has no new info yet. Will need a separate board to run this. Might be to cost prohibitive. Might be better to go with vets.

Marketing Committee/Marketing Materials-Dale has not gotten caught up yet will carry forward to October.

Close out of 09 Classic-Jack has all the paperwork now.

Credit Card Account for Gold Country Gathering-Jack will have it up by GCG but for now has to use credit card machine that Joyce has.

Question raised by Joan C re: online use/xls-resolved – will be done at membership renewal.

3. Show updates

California Classic 2011 2012 and 2013 – no new information at this time. Dixon Caper-Dale advises 72 halter entries plus performance entries. Will have enough for a full day. 6 UC Davis students will be working shifts throughout the show. The fleece sale area has about 40 fleeces for sale. Lambtown will be open until 9pm.

Gold Country Gathering-Kay advised that we are still getting entries, but not in the numbers that we had hoped. Will be reworking the budget and get back to everyone ASAP. Joyce says that the fleece numbers are way down and wants to change the entry deadline. Still waiting to get with Joyce to process credit cards. Joyce has the only machine at this time. Kay worried that we may go into the hole and not make budget.

AWE 2012-Kay advises that there are o changes at this time. She will be sending out RFP's to San Mateo and to the Cow Palace to see if they are interested in hosting the show.

- 4. Camelid Symposium-Dale is on target. All speakers are signed. Will have information at the Dixon Caper.
- 5. December Calpaca Meeting –Dale and Allen moving along. Dale needs to send out email to invite membership and topic. Date for meeting is December 4.
- 6. Connection-Feedback on e connection, opt out for mailer when renewing? Getting a good response, will be asking for member preference.
- 7. Reporting the 2010 clip by county-Tom-21 responses to date. Debate on wine or chocolate for first prize. Highest weight is still 11 pounds. Second place is 8 pounds. Still need to get this information together. Dale gave the idea of the winner should get a free farm membership? Dale made motion to give a choice to the member with heaviest fleece weight: chocolate, wine or free farm membership? Kay second, motion carried. Tom will send out an email to announce the change and try to get more entries.

- 8. AOBA Town Hall teleconference 9/15 no one made the call.
- 9. Affiliates teleconference 9/22 Ian having a teleconference tomorrow night. Not very good lead time. Tom will be there and give us a summary.
- 10. Response from AOBA on letter and invite to Symposium no response yet from ARI, Bill Johnson did get back to Tom.
- 11. Finance report-Taxes submitted and done. Board agrees that we would like a note from the accountant stating that the taxes were done, who over saw the tax process. We need to get all Calpaca records in one place and a record of who took care of what business for each year and a record of each year's board. Whether it is electronic or a storage unit, we need some structure. Something our board should get done.

12. Other items –

Elections coming up – need to handle – Dale, Dennis and Tom terms are up and we need a nominating committee. Suggestions have been made, Rick Shipley, Debbie or Mark Emery, Bonnie Potter or Robyn Vasquez. Tom and Dale both say they will not run again.

Volunteer recognition – Dale made motion that Calpaca recognize great volunteers with "citizen of the year" with a free farm membership to Calpaca-an AOBA email blast to acknowledge.

Calpaca has decided to honor great volunteers with the "Citizen of the year" award. This is to be an annual award and is not limited to one "citizen" each year. Our first year we will honor a great volunteer and a very special group. The award is to be given at the Symposium each year.

RFP's to be completed and up on web site by October 15. We need to tell everyone that the RFP needs to be completed by all who have paid positions for Calpaca. We need them all by January 1, 2011 if you want to keep your position or be considered for a position.

Things to discuss next month:

Carry the record keeping and continuity of records for the next board and our membership.

Plan of action for permanent info-structure for future boards to review and carry forward on.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm