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**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 26, 2017 (Thur)**  
**08:00 pm – 09:00 pm (EST)**  
**Dial-In: 866-244-8528 / Passcode: 940707#**

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**I. Meeting Open: (Ken)**

- Welcome & Call to Order
- Discuss and accept September minutes by Lynn, seconded by Holly, all in favor 7, opposed 0.
- Discuss and accept October minutes by Lynn, seconded by Kara, all in favor 7, opposed 0.
- Discuss & Accept November 2016 Empire Minutes by Jay, seconded by Lynn, all in favor 7, opposed 0.
- Review and approve agenda for January 2017:

**II. Treasures Report: (Holly)**

- Bank Balance
  - Financial Report and Show Update
  - Ken discussed using ignite back up service
- Outstanding debt: A couple of show bills still outstanding.
- Most W9's are out and sales tax info going to accountant.
- 75 members total
- 6 new members total-split with NEOBA.
- Discussion on Paypal fees, they were 2000 for show. Discussion based on raising fee per animal to cover cost.
- Auction was great success-31,000 minus 1200 for Brett Kaysen's fees.
- We lowered sponsorship fees and made more sponsorship money.
- Upcoming debt:
- Actions: Holly and Jen Lutz will have completed report soon

**III. Standing Committees Reports:**

- General: (Ken)
- Marketing: (Ken)
  - Website Updates: What do we want to do for 2017?
- Show: (Joe)
  - Review and Discussion:
- Sustainability: (Lynn)
  - Update:
  - New Items:
    - What do we want to do for 2017?
    - Action-Develop a training calender for members with Lynn/Kara
- Fiber: (Leslie)



- Update: Sock project did well.
- New Items:
  - What do we want to do for 2017?
- Actions:
- Education & Youth: (Jay)
  - Update:
  - New Items:
    - Member Seminars – review list
    - Action-Jay to call about visitors center in Geneva
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#### **IV. Special Committees Reports: (Ken or Responsible Bd. Member)**

**Action-Ken to see about getting large building at fair.**

**Action-Board to decide what we should donate to promote Empire at the National Show.**

#### **V. Meeting Close (Ken)**

**Next meeting-Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**