

Minutes of Empire Alpaca Association Meeting November 5, 2008

Present:

Jeannine Anderson	Gaze Acres Alpacas
Cindy Cuykendall	Song Meadows Alpacas
Steve McCarthy	Spruce Ridge Farm
Dick McCoy	Foxrun Farms Alpacas
Ann Merriwether	Nyala Farm Alpacas
Barb Rossi	Bel Canto Farm
Sue Zelazny	Andes Dandies, LLC

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

Election of Offices

Dick McCoy motioned to accept the following appointment of officers:

President	Steve McCarthy
Vice-President	Cindy Cuykendall
Treasurer	Sue Zelazny
Secretary	Jeannine Anderson

Barb Rossi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Extravaganza Wrap-up

- Cindy reported that 1,500 pounds of fiber was collected for the co-op and has been picked up for transport.
- Steve reported that the cocktail party was a success based on participant evaluations
- Silent auction raised over \$15,000
- Vendors were happy
- Fleece & Fiber corner was a success based on public interest. The local fiber guilds were very happy and would like to return next year.

2009 Extravaganza

- Improvements for next year include better trailer unloading area, signage to check-in area and a longer period for check-in.
- Possibly have more stalls at 8' X 8' was discussed.
- The second barn could be used for vendors to facilitate having them all in one location.

Symposium

- Speakers and workshop instructors were discussed and need to be finalized in two weeks in order to begin on-line registration.
- An optional dinner for Saturday night was discussed.
- Pricing will be \$175 for members and \$225 for non-members.

Miscellaneous

- Newsletter articles need to be sent to Sue by Thanksgiving.
- Cria prototype project is moving forward.
- Barb Rossi will chair the Marketing committee. The committee will look at the updates needed for the EAA website.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

The next meeting will be Monday, December 1st at 7:00 PM