

Minutes of Empire Alpaca Association Meeting January 17, 2011

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| Sue Caston | Patchwork Meadow |
| Cindy Cuykendall | Song Meadows Alpacas |
| Dick McCoy | Foxrun Farms Alpacas |
| Ann Merriwether | Nyala Farm Alpacas |
| Leslie Oliver | Limestone Creek Alpacas |
| Barb Rossi | Bel Canto Farm |
| Sue Zelazny | Andes Dandies, LLC |

Meeting was called to order at 7:09

Old Business

- Approve Minutes from 12/16/10 Cindy motioned to approve the minutes from December and Sue Z seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
 - Treasurer's Report (Sue Z) We are in good shape. Sue presented the spreadsheet comparing years 2008 to present and we discussed trends and possible options for additions cost savings in 2011.

Fiber Committee (Ann/Cindy) We are meeting this Thursday to plan a fiber get together and continue with our fleece collection efforts

Marketing (Barb): 5th Edition: Name of magazine - Empire Alpaca: Focus

- Robin is working with Don to set up an online ordering system for the ads,
 - It's really coming together. We discussed the fabulous cover design.
 - The target release is September 2011
- Symposium Updates
 - Registration is a little higher than last year but still a bit low, 32 Breeders have registered 13 vets have signed up.
 - Current totals: Fleece Show – 72, Spin Off – 114 (Fantastic!), Fiber Arts – 9 Skeins -7
 - Herdsire raffle 22 so far. We discussed whether or not to add more but felt we have enough.
 - Vendors we have had 6 vendors express interest. We are still trying to work out space issues for vending and seating for meals.
 - Another e-mail blast will be going out.

New Business

- Sponsorships we discussed making sponsorship options
- We have a possible new panel source for the Extravaganza that might save money.
- Llama rescue Ann asked if we could have donations accepted and info about the Montana llama rescue at the symposium. We discussed the implications of

allowing one cause maybe causing hard feelings down the road. We decided to have information to distribute only.

Sue Z motioned for the meeting to adjourn and Leslie seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2011 at 7pm.