

## Minutes of Empire Alpaca Association Meeting July 18, 2012

Sue Caston	Patchwork Meadow
Cindy Cuykendall	Song Meadows Alpacas
Holly Jacobs	Alpacas of the Glen
Ann Merriwether	Nyala Farm Alpacas
Leslie Oliver	Limestone Creek Alpacas

Meeting was called to order at 7:07

### Agenda

- Cindy motioned to approve the minutes from 6/20/12 and Sue C seconded and the motion passed unanimously
- Treasurer's Report (we didn't have time for this)
- Committee Reports/Updates

Fiber committee-Cindy reported on a very active fiber committee with 9 enthusiastic members. The committee met 2 days ago. The chairs of the committee will be Wendy Daily and Chris Gilman they are currently working on an rfp that will be sent out to mills for the yarn project. We have set two tentative dates for sorting and grading workshops and will add a third date by the end of the year.

Marketing Committee-Sarah? skipped

Education Committee-Leslie

Workshops for Trifecta (Judges clinic, fiber workshops, vet talk (FAMACHA?), Toby Pinn, etc.) The judges clinic will Sunday with Amanda, Lisa Williamson is going to do a FAMACHA workshop. Ann will contact Toby Pinn about a possible cria talk and discussion of the IgG study she did.

Nominating Committee- Currently 4 candidates to fill 2 spots, Officers for next year.

- Sweepstakes/Small Breeder Show - AOBA approval update: we are still waiting to hear on approval from AOBA
- Trifecta

Spin-off -Registration is open

We discussed ways to insure that tasks needed to get the many Trifecta chores done. We will have follow-up meetings each month so now instead of one meeting a month we will have two shorter ones. We will designate tasks to 2 or 3 people who will report back at the next meeting. This month's tasks:

Education Leslie and Ann will work on the educational component and start making contacts about the

National fiber showcase

We decide to keep vendor spaces at \$300 for a 10x20

Fiber related Information space will be \$50 (what size will these be?) maybe a table sized????

Newsletter Update Cindy did a piece on the grant

- Membership Drive we are very low in memberships but we have a plan for working on that where board members will call and remind folks. This has worked well in the past.
- Cornell Camelid rotation Cindy is going to contact Cornell to find out the current status  
Cindy moved to adjourn and Lesley 2nded the motion was passed unanimously and we adjourned at 8:19