

EAA Board Meeting
Monthly board meeting

11/11/13

Mission: To promote, educate and support the alpaca breeders, owners and enthusiasts of New York State.

Members in attendance: Holly Jacobs, Kathy Bryan, Jody Hatch, Ken Clark, Joe Crocco, Lynn Edens, Sarah Lamanna

Meeting called to order at 2:29 pm at the famous Roscoe Diner

Annual meeting minutes 10/25/13 and 10/17/13 - reviewed motion to approve the 10/17/13 meeting minutes made by Jody Hatch and seconded by Kathy Bryan - passed unanimously

Holly Jacobs made the motion to accept the 10/25/13 minutes, - seconded by Jody Hatch. Passed unanimously.

II. Nomination and Election of Officers

President- Ken Clark nominated by Joe seconded by Kathy- passed unanimously

Vice President- Jody Hatch- Ken nominated, Holly seconded- passed unanimously

Secretary- Sarah Lamanna nominated by Lynn, seconded by Joe - passed unanimously

Treasurer- Holly Jacobs- nominated by Lynn, seconded by Joe- passed unanimously

III. Treasures Report (Holly)

Bank Balance \$165,209.43

Budget review and discussion

Outstanding debt- no bills yet from Scott, Sue Ives

Action Item: Holly will find out: how much EAA accountant will charge to do the bookkeeping for the organization. Lynn will email a checklist of items to board for Holly to discuss w/ accountants. by Thurs.& by Friday evening board w/ have reviewed list, made additions/corrections. Holly will then contact the accountants.

IV. 2013 Extravaganza Summary

Reports from Superintendent- none given from anyone

Report from Show Coordinators-

Fleece- none available

Halter- none available

Action Item- Ken will contact Scott, Sue Ives and Cindy Vars for reports about 2013.

V. Committees - Board Liaison & Board members involved

Means on the Empire Website Now

Discussion to combine some committees

* Marketing - Jody Hatch, Holly Jacobs,

* Education & Youth- Kathy Bryan,

* Nominating- brief time period- TBD

* Show- Joe Crocco, Sarah Lamanna, Ken Clark

Sustainability- fiber etc.- Lynn Edens, Holly Jacobs, Kathy Bryan

Action Item- Jody Hatch to write up info about the committees for website

VI. Yarn Project

Status of Project- Leslie Jorristma reported via phone call, grant report will be submitted by Dec 31st, 2013.

Fiber Committee- Wendy Daly, Chris Gillman, Leslie & Jeff will stay on to help w/ reorganization. Lynn Edens will be board liaison.

3 main collections points at the mills- w/ a 3 part form to use for drop offs w/ one each for fiber bag, donating farm, & EAA will upload. Would like fiber graded- & to notify farms the grade of their fiber. Wini also advising us as she does for PAOBA. Guidelines to members for donation to be submitted. Sorting & grading workshops etc.& fiber education should also be part of this committee.

Yarn left- (coming in email from Ken) with inventory

What are next steps with Product- Wini will be advising us.

VII. Herdsire Sweepstakes

Leslie Oliver will be contacted us to fill us what the details

VIII. 2014 Extraveganza

To begin planning now w/in committee- Joe Crocco, Sarah Lamanna, Ken Clark & other members who volunteer to help.

IX. Communications/details - Jody-

Constant Contact- passwords for it etc.

Telecom Number- sent to board via email eariler

Signature Authority- should have both signatures over a specific amount-

Mailing Address for Empire Alpaca Association- do we have one? what is it? who has the corp. documents? Holly will check w/ accountants on these details.

What items are being mailed to past board members and need to have address changes? Bank statements etc.

Board Communication Plan- Jody to put together a proposal
discussion

Cloud Storage for Empire Files (Ken)

X. Membership E-blast Contents (Jody)

reminder to folks to read & vote on merger - done on FB, too.

New Officers

Extravaganza Summary

Brett Wicker Fund Raising Summary (Still going?)

Reminders- update your contact info.

Communication w/board members- email & snail mail

Thank you to 2013 Sponsors

**XI. Meeting Close - motion to adjourn made by Joe Crocco, seconded
by Jody Hatch- passed unanimously. Meeting Adjourned at 5:30**

Next meeting: early December - decided via email.