

Mid-Atlantic Alpaca Association – Board Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2019

Meeting called to order at 8:02 PM

Attendees: Carole Rost, Jeff Jorritsma, Barb Sodums, Randy Strong

Approval of Minutes: 8/27/19 Minutes approved. **Motion by Randy , seconded by Jeff, passed unanimously.**

Treasurers Report – Jeff: Bank Balance: \$33,577.68, Paypal balance: \$11,698.58 (Paid Monthly Fee of \$30.00)

Paid out this month:

\$27.66 Conference Call Center

\$160.06 Cubesmart Storage

- Bill total paid this month: \$217.72

MAPACA 2019 Show Balance: \$45,276.26

Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report by Randy, seconded by Barb, Unanimous.

Carole - AOA requested our plan for an ad in the Alpaca Owner’s Guide for this year (did a full page ad last year). Full page is \$450, 2/3 pg is \$300, 1/3 pg is \$150.

Agreed that we should do a full page ad again this year.

Motion to put a full page ad in the AOA Owner’s Guide by Jeff, seconded by Randy, Unanimous.

2020 Show Plan Discussion

Judging Assignment discussion:

Sue Ives informed Carole that Amanda over-booked herself and cannot judge the GALA this year.

Sharon & Jill are set for the Jubilee.

Nick H. is set for the GALA, but we need to decide on a second judge.

Laurel S. can judge Fleece on Saturday and also Walking Fleece on Friday (charges \$500/day).

Discussion regarding the second GALA judge – Possibilities included Diana T., Kevin O., Dave B., and SaraJane M. After some discussion it was agreed to try to hire Diana T. first, and Kevin if Diana is not available.

Additionally, it was agreed that we will have Wade judge Walking Fleece with Laurel, and also judge Performance classes, at his flat-fee of \$3450.

Amanda is available for judging in 2021, so it was agreed that we would book her now for that.

Other Show items:

Jes Armstrong will be Barn Manager. Discussed keeping Christine A. also to a limited extent with BOD members taking on more at the show. Suggested that Barb can possibly help with Volunteer Coordination. Carole will get a price for Christine.

Sponsorship Prices & Changes to perks – Discussed the list of changes that Carole sent out for BOD consideration. **Motion by Barb to accept proposed changes, Seconded by Jeff, Unanimous.**

Board received contract from Judy S. for Fleece Show Superintendent. Jeff will pay her when due. Carole will sign and send contract back to her. Mentioned that she generally shares a hotel room with Sue I.

Discussed moving the judges from the Springhill Suites to the Staybridge to save on rental car costs. Members felt the judges would be happier staying at the Springhill Suites, so no change will be made.

As a courtesy, Randy will contact Rosehaven to see if they would like to take the Coffee Sponsorship again this year. If not, Barb S. will take it.

Kara M. (Buck Brook) will be doing the Silent Auction again this year.

Bill got new quotes for Air Conditioning and it is MUCH more than previously thought. Instead of \$15,000 the cost would be closer to \$30,000. Board members all agreed that would be too much to pay, so we will hope for good weather! Barb suggested getting large fans for the venue, and Carole agreed that might be a good idea.

Carole is working on the hotel reservations at the Staybridge.

October BOD meeting – Chris Reachard will come on, and Elections for Officers will take place then. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 10/8/19.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM by Jeff , seconded by Randy .

Respectfully Submitted by: Barb Sodums, Secretary