

**Mid-Atlantic Alpaca Association – Board Meeting Minutes**

**December 10, 2019**

**Meeting called to order at 7:32 PM**

**Attendees:** Carole Rost, Jeff Jorritsma, Barb Sodums, Randy Strong, Bill Oraschin, Chris Reachard, Arlene Fusko

**Approval of Minutes:** 10/8/19 Minutes – **Motion to approve by Randy, Second by Arlene, passed unanimously.**

**Treasurers Report – Jeff:** As of December 9, 2019:

Bank Account balance	\$36241.38
Paypal Account balance	\$1705.38
Total	\$37,946.76

Paid in last month:

Conference Group	\$26.91
Storage fee	\$160.06
Calico Moon deposit	\$3300.00 (2020 show)
Silver Penn Sales	\$2658.43 (paid Brett for 2019 Auctionering)
City Treasurer	\$200.00
Appalachin Brewery	\$124.76
Storage Depot	\$183.38
Life Tributes	\$109.90 (Flowers for Bill Strong)

**Motion to accept Treasurer’s Report by Arlene, seconded by Chris R, Unanimous.**

**2020 Show Plan Discussion**

Judy Schroder accepted proposal to be Superintendent for both Walking Fleece and Fleece Show for a discounted fee.

Angie Grove will serve as Superintendent for Spin Off and Fiber Arts, fee is \$4/entry & add’l. expenses for printing, etc.

Judy S. will get AOA Certification for Walking Fleece, Fleece, Spin Off & Fiber Arts competitions.

Adjustments to Angie’s contract were discussed. It has some items that relate to Walking Fleece, which isn’t her area. Carole will arrange for corrections to her contract.

Randy & Jeff agreed to be Auction Coordinators again this year.

Chris R. agreed to be the Fleece Event Coordinator.

Vet Check – Volunteer coordination needed for Mary & Anthony. Barb agreed to assist Mary with volunteer coverage, Etc. during Vet Check.

Shearing Coordinator – Chris R. will work with Jay M., including making contact with him.

Show Event Pricing for this year:

Entry fees are the same as PAOBA, so they seem to be in line.

Reviewed, discussed and agreed upon:

Halter Entries - \$55

Fleece Entries - \$45

Spin off Entries - \$30

Fiber Arts Entries - Was \$25, discussed lowering it to \$20

**Motion by Chris R. to drop Fiber Arts Entry fee from \$25 to \$20, second by Arlene, Unanimous.**

Walking fleece - \$45 (agreed that it's appropriate that it's \$10 cheaper than Halter)

Production Classes – Discussed dropping the fee from \$55 to \$40 since exhibitors are already paying for Halter Entries and Stalls (this does not include Bred & Owned, which is a regular Halter class). **Motion by Jeff to drop Production Class Entry fee from \$55 to \$40, second by Randy, Unanimous.**

Companion Animals – \$25

Youth Classes – \$20

Stalls - \$195 / \$175 earlybird (members), \$220 / \$195 earlybird (non members)

Adjusted Sponsorship prices were discussed and voted on at an earlier meeting. Perks for Emerald Sponsors & Ruby Sponsors: Emerald has included 2 end cap displays & 1 animal stall, Ruby Sponsors get 1 End cap display & 2 animal stalls,

which is technically 4 stall spaces each, but Emerald Sponsors pay \$400 more. Discussed adding a stall space for Emerald Sponsors. **Motion by Jeff to give Emerald Sponsors a second Animal Stall, second by Randy, Unanimous.**

Vendors will move into the Main Hall (saves the cost of renting the lobby space) since there is plenty of room & no McClay St. parking.

Tuesday February 11<sup>th</sup> 1:00 is the next meeting at the Farm Complex to further discuss details for the venue arrangements. Carole, Chris, Arlene, Barb & Jess A. will plan to attend.

Show Entering & Closing dates:

Spin Off Entries to open January 17<sup>th</sup>, (need to ask Angie what will work for closing date with judging)

Sweetheart Special - Friday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> (Earlybird sponsorships & stalls)

Close of entries 4/10 (Good Friday), so we're closed before Easter and time for all the paperwork to get in.

Randy – Asked if Chris A. was notified about giving Judge Apprenticeship candidates first dibs on Ring Stewarding before her paid applicants. Carole reported that it's all set.

Bryan M. – Randy asked if we had sent a letter yet. Carole reported we have not, but we need to get his new Address. Chris R. will get that and letter will be sent.

January meeting scheduled for Tuesday 1/14/20.

**Motion to adjourn at 8:27PM by Arlene , seconded by Jeff , Unanimous .**

**Respectfully Submitted by: Barb Sodums, Secretary**