

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

**December 15, 2020**

**Meeting via Zoom - called to order at 8:07 PM**

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

**Approval of Minutes:** 11/17/20 Minutes – **Motion to approve by Carole, Second by Arlene, Unanimous – Motion passed.**

**Treasurer’s Report - Jeff:**

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| Bank Account balance   | \$23,829.21 |
| Paypal Account balance | \$6,204.41  |
| Total                  | \$30,033.62 |

Paid over the last month:

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| Oraschin & Associates  | \$495.00 |
| Storage Fee - October  | \$205.64 |
| State Corp. Commission | \$25.00  |

**Motion to approve Treasurer’s Report by Arlene, Second by Bill, Unanimous – Motion Passed.**

**Jubilee Update:**

Chris reported that Judy Schroeder will allow us to push her 2020 contract to 2021. She will be Superintendent for Walking Fleece and Fleece Show, but we will need to find someone to do Fiber Arts and Spin-Off. Chris will contact Cheri Seiler and see if she is available to run those.

Carole reported that Chris Armstrong has agreed to maintain the show website regardless of what location we end up in, but being onsite during the show may be an issue for both her and Jess if the show is moved from Harrisburg.

**Venue Options Discussion:**

Carole reported on the Virginia venue VAOBA used. The floors are slippery but they had plenty of carpet so it was safe. We might be able to rent the carpet from

VAOBA. There was a lot of unused space, but not enough room for a Level 5 show. It is quite expensive at approximately \$30,000.

Morgan from the Farmshow complex has not gotten back to her about April availability.

Suggested the Butler Co. Fairgrounds is available but we would have to be in a big tent, and weather might be an issue.

Discussed the current Covid situation and the possibility that we may need to look at Fall dates/venues going forward.

Mary suggested a large equine facility recently built in Canfield, OH. She will look into it and email any information.

Discussed using the facility that PAOBA has been using. PAOBA show is 4/10. Mary will contact Darlene at the facility to see about availability for our dates.

Carole updated us on judges: Still no contract back from Amanda V. but she is probably planning on judging.

### **OSU Vet Conference Report and proposed Owner/Breeder conference – Mary:**

The two 6-hour vet conferences on 11/14 and 12/5 were well attended with vets participating from all over the world.

OSU has approved 3/6 as one date for a full day Owner/Breeder Conference. The Zoom format will accommodate up to 300 participants, speaker notes and videotape will be sent out afterwards. Conference will run from 9 – 4 with a 1-hour break for lunch. Mary ran through the speakers planned and their topics. Participants must be members of one of the Affiliates – MAPACA, Empire, PAOBA. Cost is \$50/participant which will go to OSU.

Mary will send us an email with all the details, and we can then vote on approval via email.

### **Other business:**

Mary reported on the TXOLAN Newsletter that was sent out regarding their show. She was very impressed and thought we might want to do something similar before our show. They also have a Zoom meeting scheduled for their

membership with AOA to discuss show rules, etc. She suggested that we might want to plan a Zoom meeting with AOA for MAPACA members as well.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 12<sup>th</sup>, **moved to 7:00 PM**, via Zoom.

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:52 pm by Jeff, second by Bill, Unanimous – Motion passed.**

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