Mid-Atlantic Alpaca Association – Board Meeting Minutes May 12, 2020

Meeting called to order at 8:06 PM

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

Approval of Minutes: 4/14/20 Minutes – Motion to approve by Jeff, Second by Arlene, passed unanimously.

Carole asked about the email received by the board from an unknown vendor asking for a refund of their registration fees. Jeff reported that he'd emailed them back for details, but he's gotten no response. It's assumed that the vendor got us mixed up with another show.

Jeff verified that he sent a check for \$6335 to the Showtacular for our third of the show account.

Carole reported that Alma Gelorme will be invoicing us for the materials she purchased to make the sponsor gifts for this year's cancelled show. We are holding them to use for 2021 show sponsor gifts.

Showtacular judges have been secured as per email sent to board members. (Arturo, Jill, Wade)

Jeff – Will be reporting back with additional show details after the next Showtacular committee meeting on Thursday, 5/21.

2021 MAPACA Show will be held April 23 -25, check-in on the 22nd. Randy asked if the venue has been definitely reserved and for no additional cost. Carole will confirm with venue.

Discussed 2021 MAPACA show judging assignments, including which judges should be hired to do which competitions, and possibly having a Novice/Small Breeders show separated out from the regular halter show.

Carole will check back with Sue about verification of the original judges' availability for 2021 show and notify the board members.

Carole reported that she may be sitting on an AOA committee that will be looking at needed changes to the show system, including the Small Breeder Show rules, show fees and judges fees, which were established back when there were many more alpacas at shows.

Jeff reported that AOA is going to be holding monthly phone meetings with all of the affiliate presidents, so there will be much more communication with AOA in the future.

Chris R. reported that we are still waiting for Spin-Off Ribbons (company running with skeletal crew due to Covid 19), and that is the only thing holding up the website presentation of 2020 Spin-Off results.

Discussed the possibility of having Fleeces forwarded from the PAOBA Fleece Show to the Showtacular. Bill will contact Mary Baxter (new PAOBA president) to discuss this.

2020 Elections:

Randy and Barb's terms are ending this year. Barb would like to be considered for re-election, Randy is not sure yet. Carole will put out an Eblast to the MAPACA membership requesting nominations of members who want to run for the board.

Next meeting scheduled for June 16th at 8:00 pm.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:20 pm by Arlene, second by Chris, Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by: Barb Sodums, Secretary