

**Alpaca Breeders of the Rockies
Board Meeting Agenda**

December 16, 2009 5:30 PM

Parker Library – Parker Road > West on Main Street > First right, turn left into parking lot

Meeting call to Order

Kim Sawyer

Members present: Kim Sawyer, Ron Hinds, Marci Milius, Kim Kastner, Beth Blonder, Barbara Ziek, Peter Ziek, Becky Zierer, Carl McGill and Tom Costner.

Meeting called to order at 5:42 pm

Minutes Review

Marci Milius

Please add your name to the bottom of the minutes after review.

Item 1. Calendar of Events

Becky Zierer
Julie Averch

Dec Newsletter articles due by 21st.
BOD approve the budget
Agenda for Feb meeting due before Newsletter
July 10th is a fecal testing clinic
FAA June 8-10

Item 2. Treasurer's Report

Ann Danielson

Item 3. Old Business

1. Welcome New Board Kim Sawyer
Welcome to Peter and Barbara. Heather is ill and unable to attend the meeting.
2. Director One on Ones Kim Sawyer
Becky Zierer
Kim and Becky will make appointments starting in Jan.
2. Brett Kaysen slide deck to membership Kim Sawyer
Kim has asked Brett to further explain the slide deck from the Nov Quarterly meeting.
3. Membership Placards Ron Hinds
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 1. Ron to review samples of information cards
 - a) What to do with fiber?
 - b) Industry information for Livestock discussions
 - a. EPD traits
 - b. AI / ET
 - c. DNA profiling
 - d. Communicating your management plan

Have talking points put together for NWSS Kim and Ron will work together.
BOD please send Ron info that you have for the placards.

4. 2010 Budget Approval

Kim Sawyer: Motion to approve the budget as proposed and presented to members as the line item change from overage to reserve. This does not change the total dollar amount on the budget. Becky Z. seconded. Motion passed without exception.

Item 4. New Business

1. Membership Labels – members use Ron Hinds
BOD need to establish a policy for member use of member data base. Ron will add verbiage to the spread sheet to indicate proper use of the names.
2. February Quarterly Meeting on February 7, 2010 speaker Nancy Erlbeck for nutrition at CSU.
For 2010 the lunch cost \$10.00

Item 5. Officer Committee Reports (rotated each month)

Communication Julie Averch
Newsletter Committee
Website Committee

Julie is uploading documents and organizing the information into Google.
Any committee who has minutes they can send them to Julie and they will be posted on the website. ABR has a Google Group that membership information can be posted.

Secretary Marci Milius
No report

Education/Fiber Kim Kastner
We had 48 responses to the education survey sent out to ABR members. The greatest interest was for a nutrition seminar and Patty is working on setting a date to invite Dr. Robert Van Saun to come to Denver. We are looking at September/October for this seminar, depending on Dr. Van Saun's schedule. There was sufficient interest in another fecal testing clinic and that has been set for July 10, 2010 at CSU. With very little interest in attending a neonatal clinic, we have decided it is not economically feasible to do a spring clinic for 2010 and plan to host a fall clinic, location TBD. Another area of interest was fiber sorting and grading and we are working on setting those up in the metro and outlying areas. Tax planning, contracts and financing also had some interest and would be best addressed during an afternoon session at one of the member meetings. Holistic medicine, biosecurity and herd health issues also had some interest. We are going to explore hosting a one day event with multiple

speakers to group these topics for members. We have three members interested in joining the education committee! They are a very welcome addition and we look forward to their input.

I have also asked a few local vets to contribute articles to the Paca Parade on current issues and frequently asked questions and will follow up for each edition of the newsletter to provide continuing education to our members via that venue. Online education and developing webinars continues to be a priority and with our new members, I am looking forward to seeing that come to fruition.

Membership

Ron Hinds

One dozen membership renewals have been received for 2010.

Vice President

Becky Zierer

Bylaws committee will reconvene after the first of the year.

Long Range planning will start meeting soon.

GIRCON – have not met since September Becky, will contact committee would like to reorganize.

Shows and Events

Beth Blonder

Fall Fest final bills are in and Julie will reconcile the accounts.

NWSS need a battery operated sweeper for the carpet.

NWSS Entries: 176 alpacas in halter 114 in performance 127 stalls. Sign up for NWSS volunteers for marketing and product booths Julie will send out a signup sheet via Google docs.

GWAS – Info at Don Thomkins should have info out on website by the end of the month. Early bird stall registration will be extended.

Marketing

Tom Costner

Flyers for GWAS will be at NWSS.

Item 6. Good of the Order

The note cards are done and in the storage unit.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49

Next Meeting – January 20, 2009

5:30 pm

Parker Library

Respectfully submitted by

Marci Milius

Secretary

Please sign your name below to indicate that you reviewed the minutes.