

**Alpaca Breeders of the Rockies
Board Meeting Agenda
April 15, 2009
6:00 PM
Parker Fire House**

Meeting call to Order

Kim Sawyer

Meeting called to order at 6:03. Members present Julie Averch, Ron Hines, Becky Zierer, Kim Kastner, Anne Danielson, Carl McGill, Beth Blonder, Tom Costner, Kim Sawyer and Marci Milius.

Item 1. Calendar of Events

Becky Zierer
Julie Averch

Will send out link for the calendar

Item 2. Treasurer's Report

Ann Danielson

1. Invoice approval process – director level
 - a. Ann distributed the treasure's report and will send a revised report for posting with minutes.
2. Signature requirements – when Hobert, when Ann
 - a. All payments are sent to Ann and she approves the expenses. This is so that Ann can code to the correct accounts.
 - b. Kim will write a policy to define the reimbursement policy.

Item 3. Old Business

1. Membership Survey

Julie Averch

Add a newsletter question and send out.

2. BOD Notebooks – Disks and Backups

Marci Milius

Laptop backed up and working on BOD notebooks.

3. Pioneer Award

Beth Blonder

The BOD voted on who will receive the award, the results will be announced during the Saturday night dinner at GWAS. The BOD voted the Timmerman's as the recipient.

4. April Quarterly Meeting

Kim Sawyer

Ron will send out reminder email to membership.

Early Bird/Breakfast Table Topics

- a. Marketing for a show – Tom Costner
- b. Paca Parade Advertising – Julie Averch
- c. What to bring to a Show – Marci Milius
- d. Volunteering on committees – Becky Zierer stated that she could not do at the April meeting.
- e. Manning an ABR Product Booth – ?

5. AOBA Affiliate Table at Nationals

Tom Costner
Kim Sawyer

2 boxes will be going to Nationals and will need a 6 foot table and a promotional piece for Fall Fest distribution.

Item 4. New Business

1. Board Structure Kim Sawyer
BOD please review document, emailed out by Kim on 4/12/09, at the May BOD meeting.

2. Strategy Review Kim Sawyer
BOD review PP presentation, emailed out by Kim on 4/12/09 at the May BOD meeting.

3. AOBA emails Kim Sawyer
At this time ABR will not resend the emails from AOBA

4. SOJAA email Kim Sawyer
The BOD will not at this time support their resolution.

5. ABR on the Road Kim Sawyer
Travel to Regional Meetings - BOD members would travel to other affiliates in the region to attend their meetings. Kim will talk to other affiliates to find out scheduled meetings and what topics they would like to cover.

Video Tape Quarterly Meetings
Conference Calls for Meetings (Skype)

6. Camelid Health Fund Raising Kim Sawyer
At this time the BOD feels that an event of this type would be against ABR vision.

7. ABR Policy for Capturing Visitor Information Tom Costner
Tom will review the suggestions and email the policy to BOD member for final review.

Item 5. Officer Committee Reports (rotated each month)

Secretary Marci Milius

Education/Fiber Kim Kastner
The March neonatal clinic was full and there was a waiting list. The next neonatal clinic will be at CSU on October 3 and registration will start in July. In response to education surveys filled out by our members, there will be a Fecal Testing Clinic on June 20 at CSU. The education committee is focusing on teaching members the skills they need to save money by doing things for themselves. Due to low attendance in our current economy, the Van Saun nutrition seminar that was scheduled for September has been postponed. We will be looking at programs for 2010 that continue to meet the membership needs and alternative ways to present the programs.

Fiber report:

ABR will have a booth at the Estes Park Wool Market again this year. More details to follow via email for those that wish to participate. The April member meeting will continue round table discussions on fiber topics.

Membership

Ron Hinds

As of 04/15/09
Farm = 254
Associate = 9
Business = 13
Total = 276

Directories are at the printer and will be available at the Quarterly Meeting on April 26, 2009.

Vice President

Becky Zierer

By-Laws - One meeting Tim Tobeck is the chair person and 5 other members. Next meeting is 4/16. Topic discussed will be secession plan, quorum size for changes of the by-laws.

Government Relations – One meeting so far with 4 people on committee and Lynn Boak is the chair. Several areas are being discussed i.e., the farm bill and other bills encompassing the farm bill, NAIS tracking, local government issues. Lynn is to contact AOBA's GIRCOM to see what issues they are working.

Long Range Planning – Meetings have been placed on hold until BOD strategy is rolled out.

Shows and Events

Beth Blonder

GWAS currently has 1100 in the halter classes and 254 Performance with 169 Fleece show entries.

Beth needs help with Judges Clinic this summer July 11 -12. Awaiting the agenda from AOBA and JTTC further planning. This clinic will be for form, function and oral reasons.

Fall Fest – Ranch is reserved for the dates. Need volunteers for Fleece show superintendent? Requests out to judges but no responses have been returned.

Communication

Julie Averch

Newsletter Committee Julie is acting editor and needs help. Ron Hinds said that he would help. Other committee members are needed.

Website Committee - Need volunteers for committee.

Marketing

Tom Costner

Passed out a post card to the BOD that will be distributed to the membership to serve as an invitation to GWAS. The scavenger hunt is well defined and planned. The front entry for GWAS has been redesigned.

Item 6. Good of the Order

**Next Meeting – May 20, 2009
6:00 pm**

Meeting adjourned at 9:23

**Parker Fire House
Need volunteer to bring dinner.**