

MEETING OF NEAOBA BOARD MEMBERS

May 19, 2021

Lennie Foss, Linda Hettrick, Keith Tetreault, Josh Stockton, Marc Worrell, Sarah Utterback Perez, Meghan Chryst, Leslie Frank and Jon Phaneuf were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

The current treasurer's report was not voted on.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

2021 NEAOBA Fall Shows:

Our goal is for more sponsorships and more attendance both in farms and number of animals. Keith will check information on the Hampton Inn and get pricing. Lennie will get information on Doug Herman and Glen Kearns about the cost for photographing the animals.

Educational seminars may include a class for the new exhibitors with a run-through of ring etiquette, agritourism, business plan for the new farmers, EPDs and breeding decisions. Leslie will put together an outline for the new exhibitor class.

Stephanie Glyptis will judge the Coastal Classic and Amanda VandenBosch will judge the Green Mountain Show.

2021 Showtacular:

There was no meeting last month, however, Judy Schroeder will take over as superintendent. The Fleece Show superintendent may be Margie Ault or Angie Grove. There may be apprentice supers at the Showtacular and also at the NEAOBA Fall Shows. Diana Timmerman will judge males and Nick Harrington-Smith will judge females for the Empire Show and Helen Testa will judge females and Amanda VandenBosch will judge the males for the NEAOBA show. Stephanie Glyptis will judge Walking Fleece and there is discussion as to having a Fleece Show.

New Business:

After a discussion about using Quickbooks online, the Board voted to approve switching to Quickbooks online. Research will be made for a new tax accountant.

The Big E: Pam Stenman contacted Keith about a donation and help with promoting the alpaca show. Most Board members felt that since it is a small show, it is a good place for new farms to show, it's a good place to get alpacas in front of the public and it is the only other alpaca show in New England. After discussion, it was agreed upon to donate at the \$250 level which includes a banner in the ring and an ad in the Showbook. Keith would ask if NEAOBA could get a free booth to promote the organization.

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Next meeting: June 16, 2021 @ 7:30

Important Upcoming Dates

AOA Fiber Extravaganza: July 9-11, 2021 National Alpaca Open Farm Days: Sept. 26-26, 2021 Showtacular: Oct. 22-24, 2021 NEAOBA Fall Shows: Nov. 19-21, 2021