



MEETING OF NEAOBA BOARD MEMBERS

May 18, 2022

Lennie Foss, Linda Hettrick, Keith Tetreault,, Ruth Fegela, Joe Crocco, Sarah Utterback Perez , Tim Toth, Leslie Frank and Kristin Leffingwell were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:39 p.m.

The minutes of the April meeting were accepted.

The treasurer's April report was accepted.

2021 Fall Shows:

We still have not gotten the invoice from Judge Amanda VandenBosch.

2022 Showtacular:

There will be a Showtacular meeting in the next few days. Hotels and food arrangements are all on track. A decision on fees for pens, alpacas, etc. will be determined. Scott Young will be the superintendent. Sponsorships are needed. A decision on a fleece show will be made.

2022 NEAOBA Alpaca Summer Fest.

A few vendors and farms have signed up for the Summer Fest. Ruthi is still working on finding a food truck. Keith has contacted Maxwell's Agway for more promotion. The Board approved money for boosting the post on Facebook and Sarah will proceed with the boosting. Ruthi suggested sending postcards to all NEAOBA members and Linda will follow through on that. Cheryl Gehly will be asked about demonstrating fleece skirting and talk about the Innovative Fleece Assessment. AOA will be asked to promote our Fest.

Education:

Dr. DeWitt is scheduled for Sept. 10, 2022. We are still working on a location and Mt. Wachusett Community College will let us know if they will allow us to meet there. Dr. DeWitt's cost is \$2800 plus travel and course books. Lecture is open to an unlimited amount of people. Lab is limited to 28 attendees.

Old Business:

There is still no information from Maine Alpaca Association.

New Business:

The Board agreed to meet via Google Meet and the Global Meet monthly contract will discontinue.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Next meeting: June 15, 2022 @ 7:30 p.m.

Important Upcoming Dates

NEAOBA Alpaca Summer Fest: July 9, 2022

Neo-Natal Seminar: Sept. 10, 2022

The Big E Alpaca Show: Oct. 1-2, 2022

Showtacular: Oct. 29-30, 2022