



MEETING OF NEAOBA BOARD MEMBERS

Secretary Report

Meeting Date: February 21st 2024

Call to Order by Linda at: 7:35 pm

Members in attendance: Linda Hettrick, Lennie Foss, Kristin Leffingwell, Ruth Fegela, Joe Crocco, Randy Hall

Members Unavailable: Keith Tetreault, Janice Ciskowski, Patty Fuller

Secretary Report From January 17th 2024 Received from Kristin and Approved

Treasurer Report From January 17th 2024 Report Received from Lennie and Approved

New Business:

National show in Fort Wayne, Indiana

Lennie is the barn manager for the show

The show is full. They added five more farms and reconfigured pens. Originally numbers were at 668 and after the reconfiguration it equals 680 animals with 344 pens.

This is the largest amount of suri's in the past 10+ years

15 vendors will be present

Sponsorship numbers are up

Cost for the show will be approximately \$7,500 for the weekend.

Memberships:

28 members NEAOBA numbers are way down

Ruthie has made flyers for NEAOBA and gave 300 copies to give to her shearer to hand out when he goes to farms

Linda is working on emailing farms

AOA has said that phone calls tend to get a better response than emails

Old Business:**Showtacular:**

Closed PayPal with Scott

Auction made over \$7,000

Show made \$5,665

Same Venue in Syracuse NY for October 24-27 2024 show

Showtacular Meeting will be held in April or May

Summerfest

Twisted pickle food truck will be returning

One vendor has signed up and will pay after the registration is open

Insurance payment will be sent

Randy will be in charge of obstacle course

Kristin will be in charge of activity times and kids games with the Alpacas

Information booth will be needed and a member to stay at it to answer questions, this may possibly be Linda

Discussed T-shirts to sell, Randy will be bringing prices and more information at the next Summerfest meeting

Discussion doing a craft for the children to do, an idea of nesting balls with second and third cut fiber. This will be at a fee. Fee TBD

Sponsorships for Summerfest, possibly doing an informational booklet. Ask Feed stores, Mills, farms, vets, shearers, etc to sponsor our event.

Next Summerfest meeting will be the first week of March, date TBD

Education:

Every two months minimum we believe a seminar in person or zoom should be done for NEAOBA members. Monthly is believed to be too much to coordinate

Alpaca Julie

21 attended

The feedback was: very interesting and great ideas

NEAFP

Shelly from NEAFP has been contacted and requested to do a zoom for NEAOBA, they have done a zoom for PAOBA in the past. We are waiting for an answer.

Terry Miller

Terri Miller does websites

Fleece fiber show will be October 5 and sixth in Tunbridge Vermont

Next Meeting will be scheduled per Google Meet March 20, 2024 at 7:30 PM

Adjourn Business Meeting at: 8:16 PM