



MEETING OF NEAOBA BOARD MEMBERS

Secretary Report

Meeting Date: 9-17-24

Call to Order by Linda at: 7:33 pm

Members in attendance: Linda Hettrick, Kristin Leffingwell, Joe Crocco, Keith Tetreault, Janice Ciskowski, Lennie Foss, Randy Hall

Members Unavailable: Ruth Fegela, Patty Fuller

Secretary Report From Received from 8-21-24 Kristin and Approved

Treasurer Report From Received from 8-21-24 nothing noted at this time

New Business:

Membership

NEAOBA 's 30th anniversary is coming up discussion to not have new members, fiber shed, nonprofit organization, 4H and FFA all have free membership for 2025

Possibly also lower membership fees

Kristin and Linda will work on an email to send to people for free memberships

NEAOBA booklet 4 to 6 times a year

Some ideas for topics

Shearers, Vets, Alpaca information article, advertisements (selling ads), Feature Farm, featured article, health, breeding, fiber, start of the month, Crisa with sire dam baby name, weight and birthday

Some ideas from PAOBA

Different Seminars and get kids involved

Education- try to organize an email of ideas from the board

December Ruthie, Joe and Linda will be up for reelection

Patty will be stepping down

Ruthie and Joe will not be running

Discussion regarding Bylaws, review and make changes for number of people on the board and minimum number of board members to a meeting

Old Business:

NEAOBA information booth at the fiber show Vermont sheep and wool

Janice and Linda will be attending

April, May, June fiber shows and New England fiber festival, possibly have NEAOBA member(s) attend

Mentoring through NEAOBA with a list on our website of Alpaca Farms willing to be a mentor. Giving new farms someone to reach out to with any questions.

Great opportunity for networking as well

Looking for farms to be a mentor

Showtacular

Wednesday, November 13 set up

Thursday, November 14 check-in

Friday, November 15 shows

Saturday, November 16 shows

Sunday, November 17 shows and cleanup

Board member setting up and volunteering will get free hotel stay

Sunday, September 15 sign up for Showtacular opened

Sponsorships and donations will be needed

Linda reached out to Glengary they have not responded

Light livestock, useful llama, valley vet if a NEAOBA member can reach out for silent auction items and or donations

Discussion for someone to make a flyer to hand out to businesses for donations and sponsorships

Summerfest

Nothing to report at this time

Next Meeting will be scheduled per Google Meet 10-16-24 @ 7:30 pm

Adjourn Business Meeting at: 8:26 pm