

Rocky Mountain Llama and Alpaca Association, Inc.
Board Meeting July 10, 2013 6:30 RMT

- I. Call meeting to order at 6:31pm. Determine quorum. Present were Lougene Baird, Geri Rutledge, Jerry Dunn, Linda Hayes, Ann Bruhn.
- II. Minutes from May 15, 2013 meeting were approved by e-mail vote and were posted to RMLA.com./BOD minutes.
- III. Treasurer's Report. Current balances are as of July 7, 2013. Invoices received have not been paid. Fiber Co-op consignments still remains unpaid. All FirstBank accounts cycle on the last day of each month. All previous month's accounts have not been reconciled. Ann reported on 2012 Tax filing and they should be done within the next two weeks.

Bookstore General Op	\$ 3,235.75
CFL&A Production Savings	11,434.84
Corporate General Op	3,336.58
Fiber Co-op E-square	1,174.19
Life Member Reserves	4,807.08
Liquid Asset	20,199.54
Research Marketing	1,271.48
Research Medical	5,713.33
Premier Time Savings	<u>22,705.58</u>
TOTAL CASH	\$ 73,878.37

Held in trust by RMLA Board and not included in Total Cash Assets
Llama Legal Defense Fund \$2,680.04

- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Bookstore – Ann Bruhn, Liaison Royalties paid for second quarter.
 - B. Bylaws – Lougene Baird, Chair. – No Report.
 - C. Calendar – Linda Hayes, Liaison – Co-chairs Teresa and Luke Bakkan. Linda is working with Committee to get the 2014 Calendar into production. Advertisers are needed to help offset the cost and make this a profitable event. More photos are requested so there is a selection to choose from. Email blasts should be made ready for Ron to send to membership with general reminders.
 - D. Education – Linda Hayes, Liaison. Some ideas were discussed about adding education to current events that happen. Example Estes Park is a yearly show, maybe add a 1 day clinic before the show starts for interested persons. This idea can be sent to the new committee that has been formed for Estes Park Wool Market. Any other plans for events, try to include some general education and make sure we are meeting the needs of our membership.
 - E. Events/Marketing – Jerry Dunn, Liaison – Need to replace inventory which was not returned by events over the last year or so. This inventory includes banners and signs, liability that must be posted during RMLA Sponsored events. Linda Hayes motions to by purchase 3 banners and 3 liability signs to add to inventory for a total amount of \$240, second by Geri Rutledge Motion passed. These signs have been done by Patti Morgan. Geri reported on Llama Camp Event. Geri sent the BOD a preview of what will be sent to the Journal for the next issue. The most amazing part is that the kids are llama/alpaca owners. The camp was well attended from several states around Nebraska. It was an amazing weekend with many kids learning and sharing with each other and parents about llamas and alpacas.
 - F. Fiber – Geri Rutledge, Liaison. Patti Morgan, Chair. Estes Park was successful, several RMLA members helped out with setting up, running and tearing down the Fiber Booth. The preliminary accounting for the event shows the event loss at \$151.00. The next event will be at Fairplay,

Salida Wool Festival and then Taos Wool Market in New Mexico in October. The trailer license for 2014 has been completed. The RMLA Coop trailer went to Patti Morgan's home after Estes Park. Jerry Dunn motions to pay Consigner fees (971.42) from Estes Park to: Morgan, Rutledge, Jolly, Blider, Sula, Juntilla, Grimm, Lockwood and Schwartz second by Linda Hayes, motion passed.

- G. Finance – Ann Bruhn, Liaison. Marilyn Arnold, Chair. We are happy to welcome Roger Burgoyne, a new RMLA member, to our finance committee. He is a retired CPA and has expertise in the QuickBooks Pro software. Thank you, Roger!
- H. Journal – Lougene Baird, Liaison. Sue Grimm, Chair. Ron Hinds is now working with Sue to help resolve photograph and other layout issues. Geri has sent her story in on Llama Camp for the next issue.
- I. Library – Jerry Dunn, Liaison. Dick Williams, Chair. - Three VHS tapes have been received as a donation from Zappora Stahl, "Llama Training w/Bobra Goldsmith", "Training Llamas to Drive" (also Bobra) and Working In The Round Pen" (3 tapes) (J. Mallon). A 'thank you' was sent and an acknowledgement sent to Sue for the Journal. All material is present and correct.
- J. Membership – Ann Bruhn. Dick Williams, Chair. One renewal of membership has been received since the last meeting – Reid Clark, Wheat Ridge, CO. The work on the new Membership Directory is completed and is at the printer. Understand that it should be in the mail by 6/10.
- K. Nominations and Elections – Geri Rutledge – Liaison. Maggie Merrill-Brown, Chair. Ballots were mailed to members for the 2013 General Election. Ballot deadline is July 15th. Votes will be counted at that time and reported to the BOD. The ballots will be stored for the required time in the RMLA Tote. Pack – Jerry Dunn, Liaison. Dick Williams, Chair. The event for Back Country Women's Clinic had to cancel the hike part of the adventure due to participation numbers. The event did go on, but just had to reduce the amount of actions they were planning during the event.
- L. Publications Coordinator – Lougene Baird. The Membership Directory was mailed to all members in early June. The Board is very grateful to Dick Williams and Pat for working on the directory and doing such a wonderful job. The template is now set, and can be updated with each renewal or new member.
- M. Rescue – Linda Hayes, Liaison. Olin Allan, Chair. Discussed the checklist needed to be a good home for adoption. The Recues persons are checking facilities before allowing animals to be held while waiting permanent adoptions. Calls continue for both llamas and alpacas. So far, this has been manageable and homes are being located.
- N. Website – Lougene Baird, Liaison. Ron Hinds, Chair. Everything is going well.
- O. Youth and 4H – Geri Rutledge, Liaison. Brianna Cozzetto, Chair. Brianna is a great chair for this committee and wants the award to run from January to December of the calendar year. She will request nominations for the Youth Award in October and the award will be presented at the NWSS or the next venue where youth will be participating. The Youth will continue to receive the certificate and personalized belt buckle.

V. Old Business

Still looking at venues and dates for the Annual Meeting. Per Bylaws, members must have a 30-notice of details.

VI. New Business

A. Record of e-mail voting since the last Board meeting. **MOTION:** Make the following motions approved by e-mail since the close of the last meeting a matter of permanent record. Motion by Ann Bruhn. Second by Linda Hayes Motion Passed.

1. Motion: Pay PJ Printing Broker \$542.65 for printing, mailing, postage and shipping of the 2013-2014 Membership Directory. Motion by Geri. 2nd by Linda. Motion passed June 4, 2013.
2. MOTION: Reimburse Jerry Dunn for out-of-pocket expenses in the amount of \$34.61 for supplies and postage for Event Committee expenses. Motion by Ann. 2nd by Geri. Jerry abstained. Motion passed July 9, 2013
3. MOTIONS: Pay State of Colorado \$54.45 for license renewal for the RMLA Fiber Co-op trailer and charge to Fiber Committee. Motion by Ann. 2nd by Jerry. Motion passed July 9, 2013.
4. MOTION: Pay the State of Colorado 89.36 for tax from EPWM event Jerry motions, Linda Seconds Passed. July 9, 2013.
5. MOTION: Pay Claudia Lingg \$982.50 for invoice #41513 for production of the 2013 Fairplay Race T-Shirts. Motion by Ann. 2nd by Jerry. Motion passed July 9, 2013.
6. MOTION: Reimburse Dick Williams for out-of-pocket expenses in the amount of \$83.31 for expenses to be charge to the following committees: Library postage - \$17.97, Journal postage labels \$1.52, Election Committee postage for labels - \$1.52 and Membership Committee for postage - \$62.30. Motion by Ann. 2nd by Geri. Motion passed July 9, 2013.M
7. MOTION: Reimburse Geri Rutledge \$106.01 for postage and supplies for expenses incurred on behalf of the Election Committee. Motion by Ann. 2nd by Linda. Motion passed July 9, 2013.

B. Future meeting schedule: August 14th, 2013.

VI. Motion by Geri Rutledge to close meeting at 7:54pm, second by Linda Hayes, passed.