INTERNATIONAL LAMA REGISTRY Board of Directors Meeting

MINUTES 3-16-2016

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 PM ET.

Present were Karen Baum, Debi Garvin, Sean Hart, Linda Hayes, Harvey Pool, Pam Jensen (Guest) and Susan Hannah (Office).

The next meeting will be Wed, April 13, 2016 at 8:00 PM ET.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT BY PAM JENSEN:

The contract with the facility for the 2017 Gathering is in place. The \$500 deposit will be paid after the 2016 Gathering has been held. Dates are June 29, 30 & July 1 & 2 in Mason City, Iowa.

Pam left the call at 8:17 PM.

JUDGES COMMITTEE REPORT:

There was a discussion about who to replace in the vacancy on the Judges Committee. Motion by Debi that Kelly McWarter be approved. Seconded by Harvey. All in favor.

NEW WEB SITE REPORT:

Steve Auld came on at 8:17. He said that the new website is taking longer than planned as they are making sure everything is working correctly before it is tested by the board.

Everyone agreed that if we can't test it and approve it by the Gathering, we need to wait to make it go live until there is a lull in the summer shows in July. Steve thought that we would probably be able to Beta test in May and June.

He noted that all the related domain names have been moved to Go-Daddy and are waiting for the new site to go on line. At that time they will be activated.

Steve left the call at 8:27PM

OFFICE REPORT:

Trophies:

Susan went over prices and details on ordering trophies for the Show Division and Universal Awards Program (UAP). A discussion was held about the pro and con of

plaques versus trophies and the impact of changing them on the membership. Shipping and handling costs were also considered.

Harvey motioned to order 500 of the trophies currently in use. Two hundred-fifty for the Show Division and 250 for UAP. Debi second and all were in favor. The total cost will be approximately \$7,750 plus shipping.

Cost of shipping the trophies to the members was discussed. Debi made a motion to have a flat fee for shipping and handling. It would be \$20.00 for the first trophy and \$10.00 for each additional trophy. Linda seconded it and all voted to approve.

Taxes:

Susan reported that the taxes we owe on the office building comes to \$450. This is for the part of the year that we owned the building. It was not paid in the adjustments made at closing because the amount was not known at that time.

Booth at The Gathering:

Sending Susan to the Gathering to man the ILR & ILF booth was discussed. The approximate total cost will be around \$1500. The Gathering will be paying \$500 of this through a donation made by a member.

Linda made the motion to send Susan to The Gathering with the ILR paying the remainder of the cost after The Gathering pays the first \$500. This was seconded by Debi and unanimously approved.

Vacation:

We were reminded that Susan will be out of the office March 24th through April 3rd. She will send out an email letting members know that the office will have a limited staff on those dates.

Susan left the call at 9:47

Proposal for an ILR Publication:

Peter Rysko from Camelid Quarterly was to join the conference call. He wanted to present the possibility of the ILR having a magazine promoting llamas. Because he was from Canada, he was not able to get on the line with the directors. He tried calling Harvey and Harvey tried to use the speaker phone to forward his presentation. However, it was not clear.

Peter is going to send us his updated proposal by email. We told him that we would look at the material he sends us and do an email vote next week.

Peter left the call at 10:16

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Supplying food for the joint dinner with ILF at the Gathering was discussed. Sean said he would talk to Mary Jo about using money from The Gathering for this.

The Futurity sale has agreed to let us sell a donated llama to raise funds for the Show Division. They will use the same criteria for choosing the llama as they are using to select animals for the sale. Debi will send out an email blast to our members asking for a donation of a female llama. Of the offered llamas, only one will be selected and sold.

Sean said he is in the process of writing the welcome letter for the Gathering awards book.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:

Debi reported that three people from the Governing Board declined to be on the Executive Committee (EC). She felt that it is up to the EC to line up committee members and that the board should not get involved except for the final approval.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes to the previous meeting were unanimously approved via email vote.

Karen reported that the nominations committee has been meeting but have not come up with enough names for the election. They are trying to finalize it this week.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Harvey had sent out the report by email ahead of time so that everyone could preview it. He said that he was putting \$1500 a month into savings. This is to make sure we have enough money to move to a new location when our office lease is up. It gives us the option of moving should we want to do that at the end of our 3 year lease.

Main Account

| Month | Beginning Balance | Credits | Debits | Ending Balance |
|----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| Dec 15 | 10,093.48 | 14,429.13 | 5218.58 | 19,304.03 |
| Jan 2016 | 19,304.03 | 9432.62 | 15,480.13 | 13,256.52 |
| Feb | 13,256.52 | 8825.43 | 6027.53 | 16054.42 |

Petty Cash

| Month | Beginning | Credits | Debits | Ending Balance |
|----------|-----------|---------|--------|----------------|
| | Balance | | | |
| Dec 15 | 322.65 | 899.95 | 790.37 | 432.23 |
| Jan 2016 | 432.23 | 1000.00 | 930.41 | 501.82 |
| Feb | 501.82 | 0 | 356.94 | 144.88 |

ILF

| Month | Beginning | Credits | Debits | Ending Balance |
|----------|-----------|---------|--------|----------------|
| | Balance | | | |
| Dec 15 | 3810.38 | .06 | 0 | 3810.44 |
| Jan 2016 | 3810.44 | 500.07 | 50.00 | 4260.51 |
| Feb | 4260.51 | 38.77 | 0 | 4299.28 |

Savings

| Month | Beginning | Credits | Debits | Ending balance |
|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|----------------|
| | Balance | | | |
| Dec 15 | 45,201.27 | 2.28 | 0 | 45,203.55 |
| Jan 2016 | 45,203.55 | 10,000.00 | 0 | 55,203.55 |
| Feb | 55,203.55 | 0 | 0 | 55,203.55 |

Gathering

| Month | Beginning Balance | Credits | Debits | Ending Balance |
|----------|----------------------|---------|--------|----------------|
| Mar 2016 | 8982.10 | | | |
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Moving the some of the ILR's money to an account that pays higher interest was discussed. Harvey is to look into the possibilities.

PROMOTION & MARKETING COMMITTEE:

Debi reported that we will continue to run ads in the American Livestock Magazine.

THERE WERE NO ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS.

OLD BUSINESS:

All items were discussed earlier in the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Llama Ban:

Karen reported on a call she received from a Canadian in British Columbia. The forest service there is trying to ban llamas form their parks. Karen has sent the caller the named of people that have helped with such problems in the past. Sean asked Karen to write a letter to the Canadian Parks Contact. She will tell them why llamas are not a threat to their wildlife or park visitors.

Letters from members:

Two letters were received from members just before today's meeting. Since the directors have not had time to study them, the discussion will be put on the agenda for the April meeting. Sean will write a thank you to the members and explain why we were not able to address their concerns today.

By-laws:

The by-law changes were discussed and all agreed to make corrections and suggestions by March 30th. At that time a special meeting will be called to finalize the by-laws so that they can go out to the membership along with the ballot for directors. An article needs to be added that covers the Show Division.

At 11:08 Linda made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Debi and all agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hayes Acting Secretary

Action Items:

SEAN:

Sean will send a thank you letter to the members who wrote about their concerns but were not able to be on the March agenda.

Sean will check with Mary Jo Miller about using Gathering funds for the refreshments that will be served.

DEBI:

Debi will do an email blast to members asking for a donation of a llama for a money maker at the Gathering.

Debi will call the member who is making the \$500 donation and explain how it will be used.

HARVEY:

Harvey will look into getting a better return on our money.

Harvey will make sure that the directors get an updated email from Peter Rysko concerning his proposed publication.

KAREN:

Karen will write a letter to Canada addressing the proposed llama ban in their parks.

LINDA:

Linda will contact Steve Auhl and ask him to make sure the "I Want A Llama" domain name goes to the correct website and not the old one.

SUSAN:

Susan will order trophies.

Susan will make her travel arrangements for her trip to the Gathering.

Susan will send out an email blast telling that the office will have a limited staff while she is on vacation.

ALL DIRECTORS:

All directors will look over the proposal for a publication and be able to make a yes or no vote by March 28th.

All Directors will go over the bylaws and submit changes by March 30th.

Submitted by Linda Hayes