

# Minutes Empire Alpaca Association Board Meeting 7 June 2007

Present:

John Askew	Sunset Ridge Alpacas
Chris Gilman	Riverside Alpacas
Richard Jonassen	Alpacas of Rain Dance Pond
Steve McCarthy	Spruce Ridge Farm
Ann Merriwether	Nyala Farm Alpacas
Susan Wissick	Oh, My! Alpacas
Sue Zelazny	Andes Dandies, LLC

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM

Richard Motioned that the 14 May 2007 Meeting Minutes be approved. Sue Zelazny seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **Symposium**

- The Saratoga has accommodations for all of the Symposium activities and they are locked in the 29 February weekend.
- Dr. Johnson is locked in for the Neonatal and wet lab. He needs other Vets to help.
- There will be a Vets only session on Friday along with the Fiber Arts Workshops
- Board discussed making this a neonatal Symposium and decided this would be too focused. Other topics to be included will be Accounting, Fleece Judging, Genetics, and Parasite control.
- There will be a need to acquire and store 12 dead cria. Steve will purchase a freezer and keep them in his basement until February.

## **Marketing**

- Tasha Trimm suggested the Brochure have some suri alpaca pictures. New pictures will be added and sent out for review.

## **Newsletter**

- Need articles by next Tuesday to meet printing deadline.

## **Affiliate Congress**

- Jerry Forstner has replaced Steve Hull as the AOBA Board Liaison.
- Congress members should not be Affiliate Presidents
- Steve feels it should be a Board member.

Miscellaneous

- Cornell will CAT scan the next dead cria they get to start development of the artificial cria. John will send them the CAT Scan parameters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Next meeting is scheduled for 11 July 7:00 PM