Fiber and Fiber Products Committee Minutes
September 13, 2021
7:00pm Eastern, 6:00pm Central, 5:00pm Mountain, 4:00pm Pacific

Committee Members:
B-J Ellis (not present)
Alyssa Winterfeld (AOA Staff Liaison)
Ruth Fuqua
Karen Ball
Wini Labrecque (BOD Liaison)
Elizabeth Taylor
Elaine Gerber
Charlene Schmid (Committee Chair)
Clarissa Wisner
Dana Rhoades (Secretary)

1.0 Action: Call to order
- *Meeting called to order at 4:04 PST*

2.0 Action: August Meeting Minutes

3.0 Updates: Fiber Extravaganza 22

- *Alyssa provided an update.*
- *Task force to meet next week with revised scope.*
- *New location University of Kentucky Extension, Boone County.*

4.0 Update: AOA Board Update, Wini
- *Venue approved for Fiber Extravaganza*

5.0 Natural Fiber Display Contract, Alyssa
- *Alyssa shared latest version of the Natural Fiber Display Rental Agreement contract from legal for committee review.*
- *Addressed rental terms, shipping logistics, inventory processes, deposits for samples.*
- *Alyssa to send finalized agreement and inventory sheet to be approved via e-mail to be marketed to affiliates for fall shows.*

6.0 Action: Applicants for Fiber Committee

- *Reviewed previous applicants, review new applicants*
- *Discussed turnover logistics of current members and timelines for replacement.*
- *Distribute call for applicants with deadline.*

7.0 Discussion: Next projects

7.1 Student Design Competition

- *Dates for next competition, July 20-24th*
- *Ruth to communicate dates to schools, new guidelines/rules for finalists*

7.2 Next steps toward commodity—

7.2.1 "Action 2: Establish Alpaca fiber as a commodity
(1) Work with Wini to determine steps
(2) Fiber on commodity list Q4 –
Wini already has information gathered to start process. Q2 2021"

- *Standards developed was the first step.*
- *Next steps are to contact USDA for requirements/information to be added to commodity report.*
- *Find buyers of fiber committed to providing weight and cost*

8.0 Open Discussion:

- *Elaine motioned to close the meeting.*
- *Dana seconded.*
- *All in favor to adjourn at 5:05 PST.*