Board Meeting Minutes

Our Mission
Serve all Alpaca Owners Association members to facilitate their success within the alpaca industry.

Our Vision
A recognized and sustainable North American alpaca industry for alpaca owners, alpaca breeders and those who design, produce and sell alpaca related products and services.

Board of Directors	Jennifer Hack, President	Rhonda Deshner, Director	Mike Walsh, Director
	Michael Livingston Vice Pres.	Brian Houchin, Director	
	Lynn Edens, Treasurer	Scott Miller, Director	Mary Miller, Secretary

Board Members Absent: Sharon Milligan, Director

Executive Director: Robin Gifford

Meeting: Video Board Meeting
Monday, September 25, 2023; 4:00 PM Pacific/7:00 PM Eastern

1.0 Meeting Opening — Hack
Meeting called to order at 5:05pm Mountain

2.0 Consent Agenda — Hack
August email approval ratification, Executive Director's Report, Dashboard, Social Media stats, Committee Reports NOT needing discussion or action.
Scott motioned to accept, Mary to second, approved 7-0

3.0 Financial Report — Edens
Document reference: August Financials, Year-to-date Financials, Executive Financial Summary

4.0 Show Rules Committee recommendations — Dr. Jeri Booher/Ault
The Show Rules Committee presented suggested changes to the show rules including:
Lighting conditions for compliance checking and color verification must be identical to the lighting conditions in the ring. *The Event Manager and Show Superintendent must concur on the protocol for compliance checking and convey to exhibitors prior to registration.*

It is required that a veterinarian be present at check-in to screen for the presence of any contagious disease or illness. *The AOA show administrator must be contacted in the event of an emergency that prevents the presence of a veterinarian at check-in.*

Shows will be required to provide quarantine stalls at each show.

Produce of Dam: While entry into the Produce does not require the two alpacas to be from different sires, the Judge may grant positive consideration in his/her evaluation to those alpacas that are sired by different males. *EXCEPTION: The two alpacas must be from two different sires for the AOA National Show.*
Judges Choice (awarded by breed type). *Breed type must meet the minimum number of entries required for a Level 1 Fleece Show in order for the Judge's Choice award to be considered.*

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Scott moved to accept show rules changes proposed, Brian seconded, approved 8-0

"Modern Grey" be changed to "Roan" and shown in two separate color groups and is a "Pilot Program" for the 2024 show season.
Scott motioned to accept and Lynn seconded, approved 7-1

5.0 **Strategic Discussion 1: AOA – NAF Relationship:** Financials, Service Agreement (in Dropbox) Hack
Motion to accept by Brian, Mary to second, Approved 8-0

6.0 **Strategic Discussion 2:** NEFC Status: To move forward or not. All
Discussion to continue at next board meeting

6.0 **Other business**
5.1 Tim McCarty email re: multiple shows
Discussion moved to next board meeting
5.2 Final 840 ruling
Discussion move to next board meeting
5.3 Show Points System: Proceed with changes vs holding steady
Motion to Create New Show Points Task Force with mandate to make the point system more equitable without discouraging involvement. Motion by Scott, Rhonda seconded, approved 8-0

6.0 **Adjournment** Hack

Motion to adjourn meeting by Scott at 7:04 Mountain
Next meeting: October 23, 2023