

Minutes of Membership Meeting January 26, 2019 Concordia, Missouri

MOPACA President Dale Hoerl welcomed members and guests. Patty Hasselbring was thanked for coordinating the winter seminar.

MOPACA Board Minutes were reviewed.

- Old business reviewed: Letter for grant request was approved for Ashley Otto for attending a camelid seminar.
- Membership Committee will have MOPACA representatives visit with attendees about the benefits of joining MOPACA.
- MOPACA Show continues to receive great reviews from those who attend. The volunteers and Volunteer Committee really makes the difference. The planning process continues throughout the year and impacts how smoothly the show runs. Attendees were asked to consider volunteering at the show, you will learn a lot, meet people and generally you will benefit a lot from the experience. Susan Kasch of Pleasant Journey Alpacas in Durango, CO. is the volunteer coordinator. Contact her if you are interested in volunteering.

Other business:

MOPACA materials are available for all attending today.

Patty Hasselbring was thanked for her work on the MOPACA website design and updates.

AOA Membership drive is happening now. Your membership gives you many benefits such as discounts for show entries. It also helps to support the Alpaca industry.

AOA Fiber Extravaganza will be held in Tennessee in July. At last meeting held 6 workshops on agri-tourism. Lots of information available on promoting your farm and seminars are free to attend if you are attending the show.

Sharon Heimes reported on her meeting with Andrea Nissen from Holden, Missouri. Andrea is excited to join MOPACA and has lots of experience and ideas for working in fiber arts with youth and networking. She has been involved with 4H and FFA. Andrea will coordinate the booth at Fiber-U as well. Fiber-U will be in July, weekend after the AOA Fiber Extravaganza.

Patty Hasselbring reminded everyone of the upcoming neonatal seminar on May 18th. Dr. Norm Evans is the presenter. There is a MOPACA membership discount for the seminar. Registration is limited and currently at 50% capacity. Everyone was encouraged to consider attending and registering soon.

President Dale Hoerl thanked everyone for attending. Meeting dismissed.