

MOPACA Board/Officer meeting minutes 8/9/18

Attendees: Steve Rush, Britt Hasselbring, Sharon Heimes, Dian Trainer, Patti Jones

Meeting called to order at 8:02pm

The first item of discussion was the importance of posting meeting minutes and treasurer's report in a timely fashion on the MOPACA website. We are a bit behind at the present time. It was suggested that Stacey (administrative assistant/secretary) may need some help while she is dealing with website issues and helping develop the new website. Steve to reach out to her.

Treasurer's Report: Patti had sent out the end of July treasurer's report several days ago. Questions:

1. Difference between "Current bank balance" vs. "Actual month ending". Patti explained that the first reflected what the bank's balances are. (deposits and checks not cleared yet) while the latter reflects the check book balance with all deposits and checks.
2. The balance in the PayPal account is what has been collected for memberships. Most membership renewals have been done by mail with a check.
3. Patti was thanked for the recent email reminding members to renew soon in order to qualify for show discounts.

Dian moved to accept the treasurer's report. Sharon seconded and it passed unanimously.

MIAS: Revised 2019 budget submitted by Debbie Hoerl was approved.

Steve asked if Brett and Lisa Villeneuve (2020 show coordinators) have been in contact with Debbie to start learning the ropes. No one knew. Patti will contact them.

It was discussed and decided that Brett and Lisa should be asked to sign the Show Coordinator Agreement soon so that the expectations are clearly communicated. Patti to recirculate the current version for approval/revisions before it is signed.

Later in the meeting Steve discussed an email from the Georgia show showing that they are continuing to include areas that we have dropped (ie fiber arts, skeins, etc) and wondering why. He will circulate the announcement to board/officers.

Fiber Committee: No report. Sharon to reach out to Sarah Barnett.

Fiber U- No one knew how it went this year. Discussion ensued about the MOPACA booth for the next ~~2 years~~ **year**. Board doesn't have a vision yet for what it should be. Sharon to write an article for the newsletter asking for suggestions and volunteers to take it over.

Education Committee: No report

Newsletter Committee: Board members and officers encouraged to submit articles they come across that would interest MOPACA members. Next "Featured Farm" will be Hasselbring's Harmony Ranch.

Website: Patty Hasselbring continues to work on new website. Stacey helping.

Administrative Manual: At least the by-law revisions need to be voted on and approved by members. Britt suggested that before voting, the changes should be sent to members for comments. Steve to prepare a copy showing revisions to circulate. Voting will occur in conjunction with voting on new Board/officers at the end of the year.

Old business: New CPA working on 2017 taxes. Patti has sent all pertinent information to him.

Annual report due Aug. 31. Steve preparing it.

2018 MIAS Claim- \$3000 damage to arena door by person working for a vendor. Steve has been in contact with our insurance carrier and feels the claim will be denied. This issue may likely cause MOPACA to start needing to have signed contracts with vendors rather than just vendor applications as is currently done. More to come.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Heimes