

Minutes of the MOPACA Board of Directors' Meeting, 11th November, 2015

Present: Liz Vahlkamp, Theresa Kaiser, Steve Rush, Sheri Jacoby, and Jeanette Campbell.

The meeting was called to order by Liz Vahlkamp at 8:07 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the meeting of October 1st, 2015 were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was not available.

It was noted that Gwen had been sent all the approved minutes of the Board meetings for this year.

Committee Reports:

Website: The Board would need to send out an email blast to members indicating that they would soon be receiving a password and user ID for the Members' section of the new website. Gwen would need the text for the announcement.

Fiber U: Liz Mitchko had updated material for next year on the separate site that had been created on a temporary basis last year. This would have to be transferred to the Fiber U section of the new website.

MIAS: There was no update on the 2016 show. We are still in need of a Show Coordinator for 2017.

Education: The Education Committee Chairman, Sharon Heimes was still planning the winter seminar. It would be near the end of January, 2016. The venue would be Bonner Springs, Kansas as last year. The likely topic would be fiber related.

Old Business:

Election of new Board members and Officers: Photos and bios for the candidates had been submitted. Gwen should get the election packets together and mail the day after Thanksgiving. Ballots should be postmarked by December 12th. We would allow until December 15th for receipt of ballots. The announcement of the successful candidates would be made between Christmas and the New Year. The first meeting with the new members would be January 7th, 2016. Liz would inform Gwen of the proposed schedule.

Letter to AOA regarding the date of the 2017 MIAS show: Liz would talk to Gwen about sending the letter to AOA expressing our views on the proposed timing of the 2017 National Show.

Safety Plan: Liz felt that a committee, other than the Board and Officers, should be created to focus on this project. It was suggested to bring this up at the January meeting.

New Business: The issue of how to reward volunteers was raised. Gwen had spent countless hours in a volunteer capacity working on the updating of the website. It was suggested that

perhaps she should be given a concrete token of thanks, such as a plant, which could be given at the winter seminar. Steve suggested that we should thank her from the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.39pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Campbell
MOPACA Secretary