

MOPACA Board and Officers meeting
December 19, 2018

Attendees were: Britt Hasselbring, Steve Rush, Sharon Heimes, Patti Jones and Dian Rogers

The meeting began with a motion by Patti Jones and seconded by Sharon Heimes to approve the November minutes previously sent for review by Dian Trainer. The motion carried.

Treasurers Report – Patti Jones had submitted the monthly treasurers' report for review. Patti explained a Paypal transfer to checking for the purpose of making January payments connected to MIAS. There had also been activity with enrollment for upcoming seminars, both winter and spring. Patti explained that the incoming President, Dale Hoerl, will be given signature authority and will have the checkbook at the winter seminar to handle financial business at that time. Dian Rogers made a motion to accept the report; it was seconded by Sharon Heimes and was passed by all members.

Newsletter – Fiber U will need to know if MOPACA intends to use a space that was given to us at the 2019 event. It had been previously discussed that there would be a possibility to have a members' space and sell items for them as well as solicit new members. It was agreed to continue this discussion when the new board members and officers are present in January.

OLD BUSINESS

Election results – It was confirmed - Dale Hoerl, President, Susan Theroff, Secretary and Diane Dickerson, Jr Board Member. Patty Hasselbring had already sent them orientation information such as the Administrative Manual and had obtained their contact information. The position of Admin Administrator, currently being held by Patty Hasselbring, was discussed. The question had been raised as to whether Patty should attend the monthly Board and Officer meeting. Discussion was positive since Patty in turn has the responsibility of updating our website with board activity. The decision was made to continue discussion in January with the new officers involved.

Grant – Our first applicant for an educational grant was discussed. The application was from Ashley Otto, a vet student from the University of Missouri. Otto had applied and been accepted to attend a summer camelid practice course offered by Dr. Steven Purdy at the University of Massachusetts in June 2019. After discussion on the applicants' expected expenses, there was a motion made by Dian Trainer to award the sum \$1000 to Otto. The motion was seconded by Patti Jones and approved unanimously. Patti Jones will send a letter to notify Otto of her award and

include that if for any reason she is not able to attend the selected course, it is expected that the award be returned to MOPACA.

NEW BUSINESS

AOA Affiliate Call – Britt Hasselbring sat in on the annual phone call for AOA that includes representatives from affiliates. Britt stated that there was discussion on support of youth in FHA. Letters have been sent to FFA members who registered at the AOA booth at the recent FFA Conference. Steve Rush suggested that contact be made with Andrea Nissen (andrea@ionarosestudio.com), as she had previously expressed interest in getting youth and 4H involved. Sharon Heimes agreed that she would contact her. There was also discussion about the problems all affiliates seemed to be having getting memberships and planning shows.

Winter Seminar – The seminar is scheduled for January 26. Lunch will be provided and there will be a members' meeting. It was agreed that all attendees, whether members of MOPACA or not, were welcome to attend.

Thank You – an expression of gratitude was given to Steve Rush and other outgoing board and officers, for their service to MOPACA. Steve offered his help if needed.

Adjourn – At 8:51 p.m., a motion was made by Sharon Heimes, seconded by Patti Jones and unanimously approved to adjourn.