

MOPACA Board and Officers Meeting

February 13, 2020

Attendees: Patti Jones, Sharon Heimes, Susan Theroff, Diane Dickerson, Barbara Bernardi, Brad Ryckert

Absent: Dale Hoerl

Meeting called to order by Sharon Heimes at 8:05 pm

December Board Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes with corrections Patti Jones. Seconded by Diane Dickerson. Motion carried.

Annual membership meeting minutes dated January 25, 2020 were presented. Motion to accept minutes as presented Diane Dickerson. Seconded Patti Jones. Motion carried

Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve the treasurers report as presented Susan Theroff. Seconded by Diane Dickerson. Motion carried.

Newsletter: Sharon reported on newsletter for Dale. The president's letter has been forwarded to Liz. Patti Jones working on an article for the silent auction. Patti Jones will contact Brett to write a short article for MOPACA show progress. Patty Hasselbring wrote an article reviewing the recent winter seminar.

Education: Thirteen evaluations were received from participants attending the winter seminar. Sharon will forward results to the board via email. Networking was most mentioned as a benefit of the seminar. Suggestions for future seminars were received possibly fiber related.

Patti Jones suggested a class on color checker certification. A fun easy class that is very informative.

MOPACA Show report:

Show Coordinator for 2021 Show: Diane Dickerson and Dian Trainer will meet next week to discuss possible dual coordination for the MOPACA 2021 show.

Patti Jones is in contact with Hale Arena to secure dates for the 2021 show. Has not received any information back.

Carpet Fundraising: Will continue to move forward with fundraising plans.

Show Sponsorships: Sharon left messages with Legends Marketing Manager and Casino Marketing Manager and has received no response. Colonial Gardens will not be able to sponsor show bags this year. Brad Ryckert will contact Stillwater Minerals about silent auction donation and/or a showbook ad.

Show Volunteers: Diane Dickerson has a few positions to fill. Welcome table and MOPACA informational/education table needs volunteers. Susan Theroff and family will volunteer at both tables. Sharon Heimes has backdrop and items for MOPACA table. Suggestions of other items

for table to be forwarded to Sharon. Possible Alpaca trading cards and/or Alpaca Farm Bingo/Passport cards to hand out during show to public to encourage more participation and donations was discussed.

Old Business:

Fiscal year changes will be tabled till further notice.

New Business:

Youth Survey: Sharon received a short survey from AOA. Questions were reviewed and answered by board members.

Charitable Status of MOPACA: Currently registered as a 501c3 in state of Missouri. The IRS has MOPACA registered as a 501c5, which is an agricultural status, not a public charity. Donations would not be tax-deductible under the current IRS status. Cost to reapply and change status with the IRS to a 501c3 will be \$600.

Motion to reapply to IRS for MOPACA to change its status from a 501c5 to a 501c3 made by Patti Jones. Seconded by Brad Ryckert. Motion carried.

Patti Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Diane Dickerson seconded.

Next meeting: March 5th, 2020