

IMpaca Board Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2010

Meeting held at Linda Kenison's

Present: Linda Kenison, Bob Merther, Dan Porter, Ted Kenison, Geri Marshall, Todd Robinson. By phone: Tonya Otterness and Suzie Radtke

Items Discussed:

1. National Convention status – SLC, Kansas, Wyoming are choices being discussed.

2. Alpaca Fiber Coop

a. IMpaca events ?

b. AFCNA – affiliate member support is 3 to 4 IMPaca members.

c. Collection point – do we have a collection point?

d. Regional clip collection?

e. Transporters?

What do we as an affiliate want to do for the Coop? Discussed letting individual members determine their own relationship with the coop. Link coop webpage with ours as a resource.

3. Webpage to move to Yahoo at \$111 per year.

a. Minutes to be posted to webpage.

b. Marketing page.

i. Do we want to provide email blast info for individual farms to send out email blasts to affiliate members? Need to further discuss and get input from members.

ii. Advertising on webpage – what type of advertising? Animals for sale? Other classifieds? Advertise farm products for revenue?

4. Education Seminar

a. Dr. Isaac Bott on March 6th at Marshall's; pay him \$400-500

b. \$50/farm includes lunch

c. Llama group invite for \$20 more

5. Membership

a. Dues are needed

6. Additional items:

a. Dr. Israelson proposal: IMpaca pay for him to attend Ohio Camelid Conference.

i. His attendance would benefit only the northern members, not fair to the central or southern who would not use his services.

ii. IMpaca pays for him to attend and gets a seminar...a lot of money for a seminar! Would we have to dip into the CD?

iii. Do IMpaca members who use him get a discount for services? Still doesn't seem fair to all members.

iv. Alternative – We pay about \$500 per seminar. Invite him to pay up front and we (IMpaca) contract to pay him \$500 for four half day seminars. More equitable to the entire membership.

v. Todd to send a response and report to board.

b. Geri to look into youth education programs – will report back.

c. Are we wanting to do anything to raise money? Fleece show...

d. Crescent Moon folks for seminar? What topics

Meeting adjourned