Saskatchewan Alpaca Breeders Network Inc.

Annual General Meeting of February 24, 2018

Meeting Room – Manitou Spring Hotel – Watrous, SK

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PRESENT BOD Chairman - Kelly Kokoski

Carol Poole, Heather Morozowski, Rachel Vos, Glenda Shotter

MISSING:

MEMBERSHIP PRESENT Carol Poole, Glenda Shotter, Gill & Rodney Weber, Heather Morozowski, Lynn

Hilderman, Jane Wortman, Kelly Kokoski, Cathy Merkely, Rachel Vos

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Kelly Kokoski called the meeting to order at 9:55am.

MINUTES: Cathy Merkley/Jill Weber made a motion that the minutes of March 11, 2017 AGM

meeting be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

PRESIDENT REPORT: Kelly report about our website having lots of traffic, the membership numbers are down and AGM had to be last weekend of Feb for the Manitou Spring Hotel.

FINANCIAL REPORT: As of December 31, 2017, there was \$11,045.51 in the Plainsview Credit Union account.

> Lynn Hilderman/Heather Morozowski make a motion that in the Plainsview Credit Union account balance as of Dec 31, 2017, is \$11,045.51.

> > CARRIED

Heather Morozowski/Cathy Merkely make a motion to have Paulette Pavka, Edam Credit Union review the 2017 and 2018 financials

**CARRIED** 

EDUCATION REPORT: Bruce went and sheared the alpacas at the Forestery Farm in Saskatoon. We would like to send a letter to the Forestery Farm about sending some phamplets to educate people about alpacas

NEWSLETTER REPORT: No newsletter in 2017 but hopefully will have one in the summer of 2018.

WEBSITE REPORT: - got three new ads for 2018.

- \$255.05 domain hosting and Chad's fees (\$160.95 is domain/hosting fee)
- Chad is great to work with and is very efficient
- Stat counter 598 unique visits

445 first time visits

154 frequent visitors

- Maybe add counter for where they visit on SABN website also where are visitors coming from
- Change out people on home page to map

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## WEBSITE REPORT CONTINUED

Glenda Shotter/Lynn Hilderman make a motion to put up map on home page of website to show where the members are in the province.

**CARRIED** 

Farm Bio – tabled until next year Fibre Section – tabled until next year.

FIBRE COMMITTEE REPORT: The Fibre Arts Competion at the Lloydminster Alpaca Showcase Halter and

Fleece show was a success - 7 items were entered.

Will have a second Fibre Arts Competion at the Lloyd alpaca show in 2018 – Cathy

Merkely is willing to help.

Still would like to see two fibre arts competions each year.

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

A) NOMINATIONS There were no nominations and the present board is happy to stay on

B) SIGN Rodney and Jesse can do – Rodney will contact Bruce to see if poles are there

from Pasovitch.

C) MEMBERSHIP An idea is to go to members and ask if they have clients that would like to

become part of SABN.

Membership fee and website fee will remain the same.

D) FIBRE COMPETITION -Have a fee in 2018 and then give to judge as a gratitude

-Entry Fee - \$5 adult, \$1 child

-Form – make sure that there is postage included so the people submitting can get

their article back and it won't cost us

-Heather, Cathy, Rachel & Sherrie will ask Loretta is she wants to be on

Jill Weber/Cathy Merkley make a motion to have a \$100 budget for the Fibre

Competition at the Lloydminster Alpaca Showcase in Oct 2018.

CARRIED

E) USES FOR FIBRE THAT IS GRADE 6 AND HIGHER

No rug makers to be found for commercial rugs – not even in the USA – alpaca

naturally is looking into it

F) ALPACA MEAT Alpaca meat is sweeter in taste then beef, very enjoyable – should be selling for

around \$7/lb

G) CALENDER Would be nice if there was a calender for SABN to do stuff for the BOD.

ADJOURNMENT Carol Poole – that we now adjourn meeting at 11:52am on February 24, 2018.