

## **The Llama Futurities Association Board of Directors Meeting December 06, 2015**

Barb Parsons called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm (CST).

Present for the meeting were Jenni Olson, Barb Parsons, Venesa Carter, Tor Sorensen, Nick Hauptly, Lauren Wright, and Larry Kisner.

Barb Parsons began the meeting by welcoming Larry Kisner and Lauren Wrights as guests to the call. Larry and Lauren will be joining the LFA board on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 but due to the short time frame until our national event it was suggested that they attend to gain a better understanding of the association's current standing.

Barb Parsons thanked Nick Hauptly for his dedication and service to the Llama Futurities Association.

Nick Hauptly reported that he received the the CD of pictures taken by Golden Photo Video of the 2015 Gathering and LFA from Ray Kratville on the second of December. It doesn't appear to be complete as many of the LFA Class Champions are missing from the files. Nick will compile a list of missing animals and send this information to the LFA board. Nick will also create banners for the website highlighting the class winners to be published no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>. Nick informed the board that the website has been updated as much as possible at this time for 2016 and will be remain available for assistance through 2016.

The minutes to the previous meeting were not able to be approved over the call due to the short time the board had to review them. Barb asked everyone look them over at their earliest convenience and communicate through email.

Barb Parsons informed the LFA board that Kay Berg, Norris Berg, and Terry Duesphol had resigned their duties of coordinating and clerking the ILR-SD Gathering and LFA Futurity. At the time of this meeting we do not have a definite commitment from the ILR-SD that the 2016 Gathering will take place or who will superintend the event. Although several hypothetical alternatives were discussed, the board agreed it would be prudent to postpone any discussion until the first of the year or when confirmation is made by ILR-SD or ILR-SD Executive Committee.

Ray Kratville joined the call at 7:19 (CST)

Barb Parsons addressed the board regarding the 2016 LFA sale. The board agreed that holding the sale had become customary in our industry, but the task of soliciting enough consignments to justify hold the event seems to become more and more challenging every year. Barb asked Ray Kratville about the profit and loss the LFA has been experiencing from the sale over the last 2-3 years. Ray will look into the exact detail but in his estimation, after including the cost of the sale details such as the stage, lighting, and catalog, we are likely breaking even. Jenni Olson reported to the board that she already has been contacted by two different parties interested in consigning champion llamas for 2016. The board agreed unanimously that so long as the LFA isn't losing exponential amounts of money from the sale, they will attempt to continue - in some format - for 2016.

Barb Parsons explained the details and incentives offered by the LFA's Early Bird Special that was originally implemented in 2015. The board discussed the positives and negatives of the program and decided to postpone an official vote for 2016 until the new board members are established.

Lauren Wright thanked the board for including her in the call and left at 7:35 pm (CST) due to work.

Barb Parsons reminded the board that on the next meeting will include voting on board positions for 2016. Ray Kratville suggested that everyone review the responsibilities of each seat and also read through the by-laws.

Barb Parsons decided to postpone assigning individuals to the 2016 task list until Lauren could be on the call.

Ray Kratville gave the Treasurer's report. The LFA currently has a standing balance of \$28,387.63

The next meeting will be scheduled via email at a time that is conducive to all board members.

Jenni Olson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nick Hauptly seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm (CST).

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Hauptly  
LFA Secretary