

Llama Futurity Association  
Minutes  
July 1, 2008 Board of Directors meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Mike Gerken. Present and attending were John McDougall, Phil Feiner, Pam Jensen, Mike Gerken, Carol Ann Tallmon, Fran Soukup, Keith Wattigney, Larry Kisner and Doug Overman.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the May 20, 2008 meeting were reviewed and on motion of Phil Feiner and seconded by Carol Ann Tallmon, minutes were approved.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:** Phil Feiner indicated that our interest income was up slightly, and monies are starting to come in for the ALSA show and Futurity entries. On motion of John McDougall and seconded by Pam Jensen and Fran Soukup, financial report was approved.

**TASK LIST:** The Board reviewed the many areas requiring a Board member to coordinate for the LFA event. Upon discussion, and after Phil Feiner explaining the various areas needing someone to spear head, the Board divided up the work load so that no one person was carrying the full load.

**ELECTION 2008:** The Board will have 2 vacant seats up for election this fall.... Those being Phil Feiner and John McDougall. It was decided that we need at least 3-4 people to run for those chairs. The candidates need to be a member of The LFA at the time of their nomination and election. The Board members were to try and come up with names for the election committee chair to contact.

It was decided that Merlene Anderson had done an excellent job as election committee chair in the 2007 election and if she would decide not to run as a candidate for the Board of Directors, then perhaps she would consider serving as chair of the election committee again.

The Board will bring ideas to the August meeting of potential candidates.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Sponsors** - Additional sponsors would be nice. More sponsorship money means more premiums available as a pay out. Board members were going to contact potential new sponsors.

**MARKETING** - Fran Soukup and Phil Feiner reported that the marketing packet is out to members now, and that 9 members have asked for the CD. Phil Feiner had an article in Llama Link and LamaLifeII explaining what The LFA is all about and that this article had also been sent to various llama associations to include in their own newsletters.

**ADVERTISING** – Larry Kisner reported that the advertising is right on target for The LFA's next Llama Link ad. July 10 is the deadline for the August issue. The LFA will be the cover of the September issue due out in August. This will be the herdsire cover advertising for The LFA.

**NEWSLETTER** – The next newsletter will be POST The LFA September event. Pam indicated she will be running around taking notes and talking with people and putting together ideas for the newsletter articles.

**HERDSIRE AUCTION** – To date we have 4 herdsires donated for the herdsire auction.... Barb and Larry Laux donated Lock Ness; John and Marcia Ollendeck donated Caspian; Dan and Marilyn Milton donated Silver Moon's Chirio Alluro ; Ali Skoukup and Kay Sharpnack donated Star Alliance. Additional herd sire donates will be contacted to make up a group of 10 herdsires for the auction.

**CONSIGNMENTS** – To date 74 animals have been consigned, and that includes 10 males. Phil Feiner and Doug Overman indicated that all the females consigned appear to be of the quality desired for The LFA auction. The Consignment committee will have a decision on the males by the first part of next week and will contact all consignors as to yes or no on their male.

It was decided to keep the minimum bid at \$2000.

**VENDORS** – To date there are 5 vendors committed to coming. Fran Soukup is going to contact Nelson Waterers. Between Pam Jensen and Fran Soukup, additional vendors will be obtained for the vendor area.

**SILENT AUCTION** – Fran reported that to date there are 5 people donating to the silent auction. Carol Ann Tallmon is going to contact the person that makes the llama stepping stones about a donation. Mention was made of contacting Jack and Tracy Pearson about their minerals as a donation. Fran Soukup will be contacting others about donations.

**PHOTOGRAPHER** – Joel Armstrong of Vantage Imaging will be the photographer. We need to announce that he is available for pictures by anyone, not just the winners. He will work hard to make the picture the best possible.

**REGIONAL FUTURITIES** – LamaFest of Michigan has requested LFA sponsorship of their futurity for the 2008 year. Discussion was had concerning this request and past concerns about reporting results and payouts on a timely basis. Phil Feiner will contact Don Topliff about this and offer sponsorship, but The LFA must see the results in the format we require, then we will pay the sponsorship money to LamaFest.

**OBSTACLE COURSES** – All in proceeding in good order. Norris Berg assures us we will be pleased.

**FUTURITY** – Discussion was had about the Non-Breeder Jackpot class. The ages are to range from 15 to 36 months for this particular class.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS** – The Board has determined that we will not approve a kuering at our September event, as requested by SLA.

The ILR Board has requested a chance to have an ILR meeting at the LFA September event. This is to be at a time that will not interfere or conflict with a planned LFA functions as scheduled. Any costs incurred in order to hold this meeting will be borne by the ILR and not The LFA.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Pam Jensen and seconded by Doug Overman, meeting was adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting is August 5, 2008 at 7:00 PM Eastern time.

Respectfully submitted  
Pam Jensen  
Secretary