

August 11th, 2019 CGA Board Minutes

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Attendees: Yvonne Taylor, Sister Mary Elizabeth Garrett, Pam Haendle, Elyse Perambo, Wendy Pieh, Christine McBrearty-Hulse, Jana Dengler

Absent: Heidi Dickens, Jaclyn Falkowski

Guest: Maryanne Reynolds, Ron Fiorica

Wendy called the meeting to order at 7:35

Pam moved we accept the July minutes as written; Sister Mary Elizabeth seconded; motion passed.

1. Database (Pam & Maryanne)

- Database is up and running.
- Pam is assigning herd codes as well as logging herd codes into the database. A question arose about how to registers kids that have not had their first-year fleece. Having them enrolling into the database would be helpful for registering them for shows. It was decided to label first year kids' entry into the database as "certificate of enrollment registration pending" Pam will get certificates to those goats.
- Pam will continue to be the head administrator in collecting info and trouble shooting with Jeremy's support. Pam will look on how to store all histograms of registered goats with Jeremy.

2. Treasurer Report

Jana provided the treasurer report as follows:

Bank: \$6,744.06

Paypal: \$746.40

Total: \$7,490.46

Firefly was paid for the troubleshooting contractual fees.

No other bills at this time

5. Membership

Membership forms work on the new website, but they are not relaying information into the master membership form. This is being done manually until it can be rectified.

PayPal button for memberships is not up and running yet.

4. Website Management

The only issue is the updated PayPal button for membership & advertising on the new website. All other information is currant.

- Elyse will send out a release to membership about the website and Tunbridge via Facebook
- Christine will send an informational email out to membership regarding : website, database, Board nomination and fundraising opportunities .
- Christine will send out a separate email to membership (both CGA and NWCA) that Elyse created with the participation application for the NY Sheep & wool Festival.

5. Rhinebeck (Elyse & Wendy)

Participation application will be shared via membership email and Facebook.
Participation is open to members of CGA and non- members.

6. 2019 Small Ruminant Management and Fiber Conference Update

- 37 registrations presently with the goal of 100-120
- August & September task involve securing sponsorships and increasing registrations numbers.
- Program and presenters are secured.

7. Fiber and Live Goat Show (Sister Mary Elizabeth)

Fleece show information will be available on social media. Last fleece show was around 100 fleeces. A flexible schedule will be needed to meet the fleece assessment needs. Ron will assist in getting word out to NWCA. Elyse may be able to help in transporting Canadian fleeces to the show.

8. Fundraising

Christine will send a call out will go to membership for items for the fiber basket raffle. The basket and raffle tickets will be passed along in the barn to each willing exhibitor to sell.

9. Board Nominations

Wendy reached out to Rory Yocum. He would be glad to be consulted with for questions the board might have but not run for a board position. Else inquired as to if Wendy can ask him to write an article for the next Hoofprints on histograms.

- Sister Mary is going to approach Cameron Falkowski about running for the board.
- Christine will send a request membership for interested candidates.
- Wendy will ask Linda Fox if she is interested.
- Elyse will approach Linda Frank who lives in Vermont and could assist with the mandatory Vermont residency requirement of CGA's non for-profit registration.

10. Other Business:

Elyse's farm was chosen to be part of the USDA survey about fiber animals.

11. Next meeting September 8th, 2019 @7:30

12. Meeting adjourned 8: 30