



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 6, 2024

2024 Board in Attendance:

President: Jeff Jorritsma
Vice President: Justin McElroy
Secretary: Nikki Addicott
ML: Jean Russell
ML: Holly Jacobs
ML: Karen Clark (absent)
ML: Jake Nystrom

Welcome & Call to Order

- Accepted February 15, 2024 meeting minutes

Treasurers Report:

- Discussed, outstanding debt & Reviewed upcoming debt

Old Business:

- Website - Jenn Powell to begin next week
- EAA Membership Flyer - 2024 reprint ready by April 1
- 2024 membership drive
- EAA promotional item status - request for pictures
- Quarterly Newsletter - topics?
 - o membership renewals
- Empire Fleece Show - discuss next meeting, or at Jamboree
- 2025 Empire Symposium - Jean & Holly
- 2024 Annual Member Picnic - date set August 2, 2024 and will include Fiber Sort

New Business:

- CNY Fiber Artists & Producers, Boukville – June 8 & 9 – Nikki to get details and we'll review for decision
- County Fiber Festival Horseheads - September - Jeff to get more details and we'll review for decision

Show Planning:

- 2024 Jamboree - April 5 - 7, 2024
 - o Judges are Amanda VandenBosch, Jude Anderson, Helen Testa - Halter; Diana Timmerman - Walking fleece; Ken Hibbits - Performance (walking fleece)
 - o Live Auction – in great shape, EAA will handle funds
 - o Silent auction - Kara McElroy & Karen Bowman coordinating, Nikki will bring signup sheets
 - o Hotels – blocks have been reserved by Scott
 - o Live Auction Catering – moved to buffet style
 - o Volunteers - Nikki & Debbie – in good shape
 - o Ribbons ordered
 - o Will be splitting walking fleece into male & female classes
 - o Short on panels, Scott making some
- 2024 Showtacular- October 25-27, 2024
 - o Jeff confirmed dates same location



- o Confirm we're set for panels - Jeff/Justin
- o Corporate sponsor drive - need additional help securing someone
- o Judges – Robin and Helen Testa, need one more, maybe Frauka
- o Education / Fiber seminars - do we want to coordinate any 30 minute sessions? Next steps and Owner?
 - Holly to draft outline for demonstrators - review and decide if we should ask for demonstrators

Fiber Project:

Discussed Inventory review and 2024 planning

- Jeff will review raw fiber inventory
- Nikki to coordinate committee meeting @ Jamboree
- Insole order in-process at Stramba Fiber Mill
- Yarn & roving order pending

Next Meeting Date: tentative April 10, 2024 @ 6p