

**Suri Network
Board of Trustee Teleconference Meeting
October 11, 2006**

Present: Jim Barker, Toni Cotton, Miriam Donaldson, Mike Murphy and Dick Walker

Others Present: Ken & Marsha Hobert

- A. Minutes:** Mike Murphy moved to approve the August 17 & 20, 2006 Board of Trustees meeting minutes. Toni Cotton seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Ken Hobert reported on the bank balances.
- C. Marketing:** Mike Murphy reported that the 2007 Calendar will receive design assistance to complete the project and that Able Publishing is being considered to complete and print the calendar. With regard to the magazine, additional articles are being received. The Board approved the update revisions to the reprint of the Suri Network brochure.
- D. Breed Standards:** The Board discussed the survey responses. Dick Walker reported that he will be attending the AOBA Type Conference and will be on the panel.
- E. Membership:** Jim Barker reported that the stall banner project is nearly ready, and there is a test website being developed with a link from the SN site.
- F. Research:** Toni Cotton reported on the development of luster testing equipment. A phase I calibration proposal will cost \$4,000. (Subsequent to this Board meeting, on November 1st the Board approved via email the Phase I study proposal submitted by Bossa Nova Tech.) **Goal of study:** determine the suitability of the SAMBA hair luster system for the measurement of 70 alpaca fiber samples. The Board discussed future possibilities that may occur from the results of this study.
- G. 2007 Summer Symposium and Fleece Show:** The Board discussed plans for the 2007 event including clinics, scheduling, fleece show, and fund raising breeding auction.

Because of the passing of Dave Gronauer in a tragic accident, the Board approved via email subsequent to this Board meeting, a full page memorial recognition to Dave in the 2006 OABA AlpacaFest Show Program and in the next Purely Suri magazine.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Barker, Secretary