

**Suri Network
Board of Trustee Meeting
October 8, 2008**

Present: Jim Barker, Kathleen Cullen, Kelly Jarvis, & Mike Murphy
Absent: Eric Mort
Others Present: Ken Hobert

- A. Minutes:** Kathleen Cullen moved to approve the Board of Trustee meeting minutes of September 10, 2008. Kelly Jarvis seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Kathleen Cullen and Ken Hobert reviewed the current financial reports. Mike Murphy moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Kelly Jarvis seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- C. Marketing:** Mike Murphy updated the Board on the Progress of the Fall PurelySuri issue. A cover photo with design needs to be decided upon. Marsha Hobert and Julie Farresta will narrow the selection to no more than 10 for the Board to choose from.

The Suri Network News articles were discussed. Mailing is still scheduled for the middle of October.

- D. Breed Standards:** Kathleen Cullen reported on the Trial Model Classification Program will be included in the Suri Network News and briefed the board on its content. (see the October 2008 Suri Network News)
- E. SNYP:** Kelly updated the board on the committee's progress. People are slowly becoming interested and involved. An article will be in the next Suri Network News.
- F. Research:** Jim Barker updated the Board on his meeting with the Advisory Committee and the Luster Research project. The Alpaca Research Foundation has agreed to provide a grant of \$29,000 for the next phase of the luster study with Suri Network providing \$10,000. Details about the next phase and the process of collecting diverse genetic and geographical samples are outlined in the October 2008 Suri Network News.
- G. Education:** Kathleen Cullen updated the Board on seminars, clinic topics and speakers for the 2009 Symposium. The Board discussed the structure of the conference and possible changes to the timings and days.
- H. Show:** Mike Murphy reported that he has applied for the opening on AOBA's Suri Show Rules Committee. Jim Barker encouraged all Suri breeders to participate in AOBA's 2009 national show in Cleveland next year.

New Business: After discussion, Jim Barker moved to allocate \$5,000 each towards the budgets for fiber research and Classification/EPD (Breed Standards) programs from the funds raised at the symposium fund raising auction. Mike Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Barker, President
(Secretary, Eric Mort, not present)