Suri Network Board of Trustee Meeting November 12, 2008

Present: Jim Barker, Kathleen Cullen, Kelly Jarvis, Eric Morti & Mike Murphy

Others Present: Ken Hobert

A. Minutes: Kathleen Cullen moved to approve the Board of Trustee meeting minutes of October 8, 2008. Kelly Jarvis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- **B.** Treasurer's Report: Kathleen Cullen and Ken Hobert reviewed the current financial reports. There was also a review of the last two years Symposium and Show income and expenses. A preliminary budget was also reviewed. Mike Murphy moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Eric Morti seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **C. Marketing:** Mike Murphy reported that the magazine should be mailed on Nov. 16th or 17th. The next magazine advertising solicitation should begin the first week of January with a release date around the 1st of April. The contract with Julie Farresta needs to be updated.
- **D. SNYP:** The board discussed AOBA's youth program plans and agreed to have Kelly Jarvis contact AOBA to see how we may be able to work together.
- **E. SHOW:** Mike Murphy was congratulated for becoming the newest member of AOBA Show Rules Committee for Suris.
- **F. Breed Standards/EPD's/Classification:** Kathleen Cullen gave a summary of how classification vs. EPDs works and the benefits for breeders.
- **G. Research:** Eric Morti updated the board on the Luster Research Study. After discussion the board agreed to extend the deadline to December 15th and notify the membership via mail and email along with the clarification of how to submit samples.
- **H. Education:** Kathleen Cullen updated the board on the 2009 Symposium schedule, speakers and clinics.
- **I. SNPDC:** Eric Morti reported that the SOAR event went very well and that several shows have been scheduled for 2009. The SNPDC Blog is working and been used. 2009 is the United Nations year of natural fiber; does SNPDC want to develop a theme?
- **J. Affiliate Congress:** AOBA has eliminated this "committee" as part of their long range planning.

K. Industry Relations: After discussion, the board agreed that Jim Barker should update AOBA's President, David Barboza, with Suri Network's activities and goals to foster & maintain good relations with AOBA.

New Business: After discussion about Suri Network's website, Jim Barker moved to approve up to a \$6,000 budget for redevelopment of the website. Mike Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Morti, Secretary