Suri Network Board of Trustee Meeting February 10, 2009

Present:Jim Barker, Kathleen Cullen, Kelly Jarvis, Eric Morti & Mike MurphyOthers Present:Ken Hobert

- **A. Minutes:** Kelly Jarvis moved to approve the Board of Trustee meeting minutes of January 13, 2009. Mike Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **B.** Treasurer's Report: After review of the current financial reports, Jim Barker moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Kelly Jarvis seconded motion. Motion passed.
- **C. Marketing:** Mike Murphy reported that the articles for the Herdsire issue are nearly set. The tough economic times is making it tough to secure advertisers. The Board agreed to pursue more advertisers.

Ken Hobert reported that approximately 500 magazines have sent under the "Get the Word Out" program.

- **D.** Membership: Dues renewals continue to come in but may end up less than last year because of people cutting back on expenses.
- **E. Youth:** Kelly Jarvis reviewed the last meeting of AOBA's AYA program. She is working to move SN's scholarship program over to AYA.
- **F. Research:** Eric Morti reported that he had not received a count status on the luster study but will forward it as soon as it is received.
- **G. Summer Symposium:** Kathleen updated the Board on the Symposium schedule. Ken Hobert will provide Kathleen and the Board with a "to do" list in regard to preparations need for the Symposium. Mike Murphy agreed to assist in obtaining airline tickets for Dr. Morante's trip to Denver.
- **H. Show:** Mike Murphy reported that there will be no new show rules book printed this year. Only changes will be sent out. The Board agreed that to help SN members, an email should be sent reporting on the changes for 2009.
- I. SNPDC: Jim Barker reported on his meeting with Committee Chair, Liz Vahlkamp, regarding the committees request for budget approval of their seminar proposal. After discussion, Jim Barker moved to approve SNPDC seminar budget of \$4,725. Eric Morti seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Board discussed sending Donna Rudd and Liz Vahlkamp to The Alpaca Fiber Symposium at Gaston College East Campus and Textile Center in Belmont, North Carolina April 4 & 5, 2009. Estimated budget for attending, including travel & registration is \$1,225. Eric Morti moved to approve sending Donna Rudd and Liz Vahlkamp with budgeted estimates. Kelly Jarvis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

J. Nominating Committee: Mike Murphy reported that the nominating committee is set as follows: Mike Murphy, Chair; Jim Barker, Nancy Walker, Suzanne Backer & Miriam Donaldson.

The SN membership was notified by email with the nominating and election scheduled included.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2009, 6:00 pm Eastern Time.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Morti, Secretary