

**Suri Network
Board of Trustee Teleconference Meeting
June 13, 2007**

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

Zane Akins of Zane Akins & Associates attended the beginning of the meeting to discuss strategic future planning for the Suri Network in connection with the Suri Network Breed Standard. After discussion with Board, Mr. Akins agreed to submit a proposal to the Board with costs for assisting the Suri Network with their strategic planning at the August Board meeting and Summer Symposium. Mr. Akins then left the call.

- A. Minutes:** Mike Murphy moved to approve the Board of Trustee meeting minutes of May 9, 2007. Miriam Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- B. Treasurer's Report:** Toni Cotton reviewed the current financial reports and in comparison the prior year. Jim Barker moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Miriam Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- C. Marketing:** Mike Murphy reported that the development of the video is progressing forward and still being planned for showing at the Summer Symposium.

The Camelid Quarterly magazine coverage on Suris was great and a copy was mailed to all SN members. The Purely Suri Herdsire edition is at print and should be mailed soon.

- D. Membership:** Jim Barker asked the Board if other items should be auctioned at the Herdsire breeding auction. After discussion, the Board agreed that one warm-up item would be good to get the audience ready for the auction. The Board agreed upon a 2-page farm profile to be in published in the next issue or next herdsire issue. The Farm winning the bid provides all the editorial and photographs.
- E. Summer Symposium:** The Board agreed to add a lunch to the schedule on Friday and have Dr. Atkins make a presentation. Following lunch at 1:00 the first Breed Council meeting will begin.

The Board agreed that carrying bags be given to all attendees with the printed slogan "Rarest of Breeds – Ultimate Natural Fiber." The Board also agreed upon the awards for the Fleece Show and Spin-off competition.

- F. Research:** Toni Cotton reported that Phase 2 of the luster testing for all of the color research animals has been completed with the white samples to be tested soon. An update will be included in the next Suri Network News.
- G. Show:** Miriam Donaldson reported that the All Suri JTCC Clinic was successful. There were 50 suris and 30 fleeces used in the training clinic.
- H. Affiliate Congress:** Miriam reported that there will be a meeting with the AOBA BOD in July.

The Board agreed to meet on Tuesday afternoon, August 14th and Wednesday August 15th prior to the Symposium. Via email after this meeting, the Board approved the Suri Network News for mailing.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Barker, Secretary