

AEA-BOD Meeting Minutes Thursday, June 14, 2018

Call To Order – 6:08 pm

Moment of Silence -

Roll Call - Terry Turner, Joylene Reavis, Andy Martin, JoAnna Stinar, Brian Smith, Jay Winslow and Dennis Anderson

* Brian motioned to excuse Jay for last months absence. Joy seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes – * Brian motioned to accept the the minutes as written. Andy Seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Report – * Brian motioned to accept the Financial Report as written. Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Actions Taken Since Last Meeting – No actions taken last month.

AEA Phone Report – A few calls this past month with some questions about emu oil and several farmers called asking about emus. They saw the ads in the magazines the AEA advertises in.

2018 Convention –

Emu Meat for Banquet – * Andy motioned to waive Ngon Ngyon \$10.20 per pound for the banquet emu fillets. The ground emu for the farm tour will be donated. Brian seconded. Motion carried.

Speakers - * Joy motioned to waive the registration fee for three speakers, Paul Binford, Trevor Peterson and Ngon Nguyen, for a total of \$400.00. Brian seconded. Motion carried.

Trevor Peterson – How **new tax laws** would impact emu farmers

ET&T – Ruth Ann Replogle - “**Search Engine Optimization (SEO)**”

IQBIOTECH.us - **DNA sex testing company specializing in birds.** Terry will make contact to confirm their speaking session.

Paul Binford speaking about “**Feed, Oil Quality & Restrictions on Drugs Given Before Slaughter**”.

Dennis Anderson talk about **shipping emus and during processing**”.

Ngon Ngyen will talk about **Alpha Gal Allergy** and give an update on **Meat Sales & Marketing**

Scheduling – Completed by Carolyn Palo

Banquet – Meal menu is set.

Bread and Butter

Marriott House Salad

Emu Steak au Poivre (Grilled Emu Steak in a classic French demi-glace with green peppercorn)

Horseradish Mashed Potatoes

Grilled Asparagus with Sauteed Onions and Red Peppers

Dessert (To Be Determined)

Welcome Night - Will be full plated meal.

Buttons For Convention – Board agreed to go with AEA Logo only. Board members will have their names on their buttons. A high resolution AEA logo to Brian.

Classes – There will be no decorating class as the teacher cannot be there on Thursday night.

Farm Tour – Tour will include incubator room; hatchery; chick barn; breeder pens; grow out area and the loading area. Lunch will be burgers on buns, with chips and condiments. A volunteer will come 3 days early to help set-up.

Donations – Donated materials have been sent to Jay Winslow. A lists of all donations is being made, so that nothing is forgotten.

AEA Annual BOD Meeting Items to Discuss –

Make Agenda for Convention meeting of new board – Check last year's minutes. New items to add to the 1st meeting of new board Tuesday July 10 include:

AEA Certified oil as only US farmer sourced - member request to discuss.

website info - Ask for capable help to maintain website with WORD PRESS

Facebook and Members Pages – Encourage members to join and be active

Combining Regions (4,5 and 6 added to 3) - No person stepped forward to run for Region 4,5 & 6 director. We need a solution.

Discuss next years new convention dates, September 13–15, 2019 - What days beyond this will board members attend?

2018 AEA Convention Committees (Chairperson listed first) ---

1.) **Convention co-chairs** – Terry / Joy / Jay

2.) **Hotel Liaison** – Joy / Jay

3.) **Registration** – Brian / JoAnna / Terry / Susan – 32 registered at this time including board members.

4.) **Banquet & Welcome Night Coordinator (with Entertainment if needed)** - Terry / JoAnna / Jay
– Meal choices being finalized.

5.) **Speaker / Classes Coordinator / Scheduling**– Andy / Brian / AEA BOD / Carolyn Palo
- Done

6.) **Decorations / Speaker Gifts** - Terry / JoAnna / JaAnna Winslow
- Items that were previously donated for the Silent Auction will be used for speaker gifts.

7.) **Awards** – Dennis / Andy - Award plaques have been made.

8.) **Funding Coordinator** - JoAnna / Carolyn Palo / Jay / Andy
- Donations have come in from LB Processor, Wisconsin Emu Association, Iowa Emu Association and Heartland Emu Marketing Coop.

9.) **Program Booklet** – Joy / Dennis / ET&T / Carolyn Palo - Almost completed.

10.) **Exhibit/Booth Coordinator** – JoAnna / ET&T

11.) **Silent/Live Auction & Raffle** – Brian / Jay / JoAnna

12.) **Welcome Bags** – Terry / Brian - Brian has gotten wrapped candies for the Welcome Bags.

13.) **Egg Art Contest** – N/A for 2017

14.) **Promotion & Advertising** – Andy / Joy / ET&T / Jay
- Joy will contact Greensboro Tourism Bureau to distribute a press release.

15.) **Tourism** - Terry / Andy

16.) **T-Shirts** – N/A for 2017

17.) **Audio/Visual** – JoAnna / - JoAnna will look at the Audio Visual listing from the hotel and determine what we will need. * JoAnna motioned to spend \$30.00 on a power point clicker and a laser pointer. Joy seconded. Motion carried.

2018 July Convention Guest Rooms – Board reservations have been confirmed.

2019 Convention – Convention contract has been signed. We will announce this to members at the Saturday Night Banquet.

Oil Committee Report – Nothing to report. Non-disclosure and code of ethics papers are completed. Once they are reviewed by the board, they will be sent to the remaining committee members for signing.

Nominations Committee – Results have been received. Amy Hall is our newly elected board member.

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NOTE- This year's other board candidate, Jennifer Tilney, MI, would fill in, if we need to fill a vacant board position.

New Website – Members Only section not working smoothly. BOD members asked to create new account, login and report on any problems they encounter.

Newsletter Status - Next issue out in next week or two. Articles needed include presidents message and possible paragraph of what's going on in various regions.

Indemnity Program - Information has been placed on Members Page.

US Fish & Wildlife Service Export Regulations – Look into having emus removed from the I.U.C.N. List of Threatened Species. Emus are currently on the list of least concern.

Tariffs for Importing Emu Oil & Emu Meat – New board needs to discuss further at convention.

DNA Emu Oil Identification Alternative – Nothing to report at this time.

Yahoo Groups - Change to other mode??? New board needs to discuss this.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Membership Business Meeting - No votes to be taken during this meeting. Members, their families and employees will be allowed to attend.

Put together **AGENDA including :**

Meeting Facilitator – JoAnna, as 2018 vice-president, will conduct the old board meeting and continue until officer elections are complete.

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All research projects should be reviewed

Board members are asked to think about **what else should be discussed.**

Need minutes of last years BOD meeting and Treasurers Report

New officers introduced - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian

Terry will continue on AEA phone, oil committee and research committee, plus anything that can be done on phone

any additional new business

any thoughts, concern or comments from anyone

AEA-BOD YahooGroups Access Problems - With the use of multiple phones, tablets, etc., not all information is getting to board members in a timely manner. At the convention, we need to compile a **Master List with name, address and ALL phone numbers where they can be reached and ALL email addresses**

where they can send and receive board emails. We will need to know **which address, phone number and email they want listed as a contact on the website, newsletter and ET&T board pages.** Any emails NOT on this list will be removed after a month or so.

ADJOURN – 7:04 pm * Brian Motioned to adjourn. Jay seconded. Motion carried.
