

AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

**Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, February 19, 2011 at 2:30P.M. ET
Marriott Griffin Gate Resort, Lexington, Kentucky and by telephone**

MINUTES

Members Present: Judy Werner, President
Jim Ruwoldt, Treasurer
Betsy Boone, Secretary
Margaret McNeese, First Vice-President
Chuck Herbert, Second Vice-President
Mary Anne Cronan
Bret Day
Lisa Duncan
Robert Funkhouser
Louise Gilliland
Nelson Green
Minna Hankin – by telephone
Carl Holden
Germaine Johnson
William Marple
Scott Matton
Tandy Patrick – by telephone
Lisa Siderman
William Whitley

Others Present: Fred Sarver, Kentucky State Fair Advisory Committee
Don Schilling, Registry Director
Brian Curran, Registry Director
Paula Johnson, Executive Director
Katriona Adams, staff

Roll Call/Establish Quorum/Consider Agenda/Adopt Rules of Order

Ms. P. Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:30P.M. on Saturday, February 19, 2011. She called the roll and noted that a quorum of directors was present. It was agreed to move the Finance Committee Report to the next item on the agenda.

Finance Committee Report

Mr. Ruwoldt noted that the Board had already gone through the report of the Finance Committee and asked for any questions. None were raised although Mr. Whitley noted that he was very pleased with the new audit firm. All agreed.

Registry Board Report

Dr. McNeese reported on the meeting of the Registry Board of Directors. The Registry Board approved a rule regarding frozen semen as well as changes to the Saddlebred Equitation Champion Rules and the Saddlebred Record Point System. They adopted a new \$50 non-member transaction fee and approved an amnesty period for the months of May and June for registration fees and transfer fees.

They also approved reports and requests from the Sweepstakes Committee and from the Grand National Committee.

Nomination and Election of ASHA Officers

First Report for the Nominating Committee for Officers

Authorization/Designation of ASHA Executive Committee

Ms. Gillenwater, Nominating Committee for Officers, presented the slate for ASHA officers and Executive Committee as follows:

President, Judy Werner
First Vice President, Margaret McNeese
Second Vice President, Chuck Herbert
Secretary, Betsy Boone
Treasurer, Jim Ruwoldt
Designated Member, Mary Anne Cronan

Mr. Herbert moved that nominations be closed, Ms. Cronan seconded and the motion was passed. Mr. Herbert moved to accept the slate as presented, Dr. McNeese seconded and the motion was passed with all in favor.

Nomination and Election of American Saddlebred Registry Board, 2011

Second Report of the Nominating Committee for Officers

Ms. Molland, Nominating Committee for Officers, presented the slate of directors of the American Saddlebred Registry, Inc. as follows: Carl Holden, Margaret McNeese, Scott Matton, Chuck Herbert, Louise Gilliland, Brian Curran, Don Schilling, Larry Hartsock, Lisa Duncan, Sandy Lilly and Susie Teater.

President Werner asked if there were nominations from the floor. There being none, Mr. Ruwoldt moved to accept the slate for the American Saddlebred Registry, Inc., Ms. Cronan, seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

Kentucky State Fair Advisory Committee Report

Mr. Sarver gave a report on the Kentucky State Fair Advisory Committee and news on this year's show including the addition of a Junior Park Pleasure Class and Championship. He also reported on the judges hired for the show.

Report of Election/Appointment of ASHA Nominating Committee Members, 2012 Board Election

President Werner asked for nominations for the Nominating Committee Members. Mr. Ruwoldt nominated Chuck Herbert, Ms. G. Johnson nominated Carl Holden, Mr. Whitley nominated Nelson Green who declined and Mr. Green nominated Mr. Day. Mr. Whitley moved that nominations be closed and the motion was seconded and passed. The directors voted by secret ballot and Chuck Herbert and Bret Day were elected. President Werner appointed Carl Holden as Chairman and reported that Sandy Lilly and Janet Thompson were elected at the annual members meeting.

Committee Reports

Ms. Boone reported on the new Versatility Committee. Mr. Matton reported on the Pleasure Disciplines Committee meeting and Ms. Sideman reported on the International Disciplines Committee meeting.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding versatility horses and where they can be shown and the possibility of having a championship show for all disciplines. President Werner will appoint a committee to look into this.

Other Business

President Werner reported on a presentation by Equestrian Life. Mr. Day also provided some information on his experience with Equestrian Life. He proposed working the UPHA, the Museum and the Hackney Society. A lengthy discussion took place after which Mr. Herbert made a motion to work with Equestrian Life, Mr. Holden seconded and the motion was passed with all in favor. President Werner will appoint a committee and asked Robert Funkhouser to serve on the committee. This new committee will work with the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee and with the Executive Director.

A discussion took place regarding the presentation by USEF at the luncheon. It was agreed that the DVD presentation should be placed on our web site.

A discussion took place regarding the annual members meeting. It was recommended that ASHA have Ed Stopher present the same information on a video to be placed on the web site.

A discussion took place regarding the convention, with some suggestions made for improvements for future years. Ms. P. Johnson asked that directors provide her with input.

Adjournment

Mr. Ruwoldt moved adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Herbert seconded and the meeting was duly adjourned at 4:50PM.

Submitted by:

Katriona Adams, staff