American Saddlebred Registry

Board of Directors Meeting Monday, July 9, 2007 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time

United States Dressage Federation Offices, Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, Kentucky

MINUTES

(As approved September 13, 2007)

Members Present: President Joan Hamilton, Vice-President David L. Howard, Treasurer Dr. Rick Luft, Secretary Spencer Mains; Directors Mary Ann Pardieck, Dr. Alan Raun, Fred Sarver, Anne Stafford, Judy Werner.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Counsel Jeff Streepey, Registrar Alan Balch; Staff Katriona Adams, Patricia Edwards, Will Wood.

I. Quorum

Ms. Hamilton called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. ET and Mr. Balch established a quorum was present.

II. Consideration of Minutes

Mr. Sarver moved that the minutes of the previous three meetings, held February 17, March 6 and March 13, 2007, be approved as circulated and presented, Ms. Pardieck seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Rick Luft presented the Treasurer's Report. He noted that expenses are going up and that we may need to start charging for some services that we have been giving away for free. He noted some variances between this year's report and last year's that Mr. Balch addressed.

Mr. Howard moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved as circulated and presented, *Mr.* Sarver seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

a. Consideration of Fee Revisions

Mr. Howard noted that some fees had not been considered for revision since 1998 and suggested that fees be discussed and considered every two years, i.e. at every other annual meeting, or otherwise to make sure they were addressed on a timely basis.

Mr. Balch presented the fee recommendations from the Finance and Registry Committees. After much discussion regarding the registration application fees, Dr. Raun moved that the fee for 12 -24 months be increased to \$250 and the fee for over 24 months be increased to \$500 effective October 1, 2007, and his motion was seconded. The motion carried with seven in favor and one opposed.

Ms. Stafford suggested a discount for multiple registrations.

Dr. Raun moved that the DNA fee be included with the registration fee, Ms. Werner seconded. After some discussion, the motion carried with two opposed and one abstention.

Ms. Pardieck moved that the registration application fees be approved as presented (with the exception of those already approved) and reviewed again in two years, Mr. Sarver seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Werner moved that the fee for an additional DNA or Blood-Typing kit be increased to \$25 effective October 1, 2007, Dr. Raun seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mains noted that he had some problems trying to register some of his horses due to DNA issues.

Mr. Sarver moved that the fee recommendations for Transfers, Duplicate Certificates, and Mail be approved as presented, Ms. Pardieck seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Pardieck moved that the late fees for Stallion Service Reports be approved as presented, Mr. Mains seconded, and the motion carried with one abstention.

Ms. Werner suggested that we allow Stallion Service Reports to be submitted electronically.

Mr. Sarver moved that the Rush fee and the Change of Registered Name fee be approved as presented, Ms. Pardieck seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

IV. Executive Secretary's Report

Mr. Balch presented the Executive Secretary's Report. He commenced with a review of statistics and trends.

Ms. Pardieck presented a report on the work of the Rules and Standards Committee and related Task Forces. A number of suggestions for rule changes have been referred to the USEF Saddlebred Committee. This includes a suggestion to allow stallions to show in Pleasure and Ladies classes. *Mr. Balch asked for a vote of the Board regarding this suggestion for the USEF Saddlebred Committee. Five were in favor and one abstained.*

Mr. Balch reported on a discussion at the meeting of the Registry and Finance Committees regarding naming horses. It was suggested that farms be allowed to register their horses using the farm name as a prefix that could not be removed even after the horse is sold. *It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting (October).*

Mr. Balch reported that no action had been taken on the Foreign Registries previously discussed.

There was no significant news to report on the EI research at this time, other than as reported in the materials circulated. It is anticipated that more progress will be made once a new Director of the Gluck Center has been appointed.

V. Grand National

Discussion of the Grand National was deferred to later in the meeting to allow the Association Board members an opportunity to participate in discussions.

VI. Update of Pending Disputes

Mr. Balch reported on the decision of the USEF Hearing Committee in the Beede case.

VII. Old Business

No old business was raised.

VIII. New Business

No new business was raised.

[Continued] Grand National

At this time the American Saddlebred Horse Association Board of Directors and additional staff were invited to join the meeting.

ASHA Board Members Present: President Fred Sarver, First Vice-President Misdee Wrigley Miller, Second Vice-President Vicki Gillenwater, Treasurer David. L. Howard, Secretary Mary Ann Pardieck, Directors Bill Blacklaw, Mary Anne Cronan, Nelson Green, Scott Matton, Dr. Alan Raun, Kay Richardson, Jimmy Robertson, Jim Ruwoldt, Paul Treiber, Judy Werner, Art Zubrod.

ASHA Board Members Absent: Louise Gilliland, Tim Lockard.

Others Present: Counsel Jeff Streepey, Registrar Alan Balch; Staff Katriona Adams, Patricia Edwards, Will Wood, Daniel Rieffer, Casey Massey.

Mr. Balch reported that Mr. Crabtree as Chair of the Grand National Committee had reviewed the proposal on the Grand National and was in favor of it. He then pointed out differences between the current system and the proposed one.

After some discussion, Mr. Sarver moved that Regional Championship shows be allowed to hold \$3,000 classes for the 2007 show year as recommended, Ms. Werner seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sarver moved that the remainder of the proposal be referred back to the Grand National Committee and that they have an opportunity to review it in depth and make a recommendation to the Registry Board.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Werner and, after some discussion, carried unanimously. It was noted that the Board members of the American Saddlebred Horse Association and the American Saddlebred Registry should be invited to participate in the meeting of the Grand National Committee.

With no further business, Ms. Pardieck moved that the meeting be adjourned, Dr. Raun seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was closed at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by: ______ Alan F. Balch, Registrar,

Katriona Adams, **Registry Associate** August 1, 2007