

# AMERICAN SADDLEBRED REGISTRY, INC.

Monday, October 12, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. ET  
by Zoom

## MINUTES

**ASR Directors Present:** Sandra Currier President, Bob Brison, Elisabeth Goth, Todd Graham, Larry Hartsock, Anna Marie Knipp, Emily Lee, Matt Shiflet, Kim Skipton and Owen Weaver.

**Others Present:** David Mount, ASHA Executive Director, Lisa Duncan Registrar, Katriona Adams Assistant Registrar and guests Chris Schubert, Allen Bosworth, Rachel Seifert and Amy Dix Rock.

### **I. Roll Call/Establish Quorum/Adopt Sturgis Rules of Order/Consider Agenda**

Ms. Currier called the meeting to order and Ms. Duncan called the roll. A quorum was present. Ms. Knipp made a motion to amend the agenda to move the Reorganization Presentation before the Subcommittee Reports, Ms. Skipton seconded and the motion passed.

### **II. Reorganization Presentation**

Rachel Seifert and Chris Schubert read the discussion topics for the combination of the ASHA and ASR. They explained that these topics are based on discussions by the Reorganization Subcommittees. See attached presentation. Ms. Currier thanked Ms. Seifert and Ms. Schubert for their help on this and for being so responsive to concerns from others and from Directors on both boards.

### **III. Reorganization Subcommittee Reports**

Reports from the following Reorganization Subcommittees were presented: Financial Reorganizing Subcommittee co-chaired by Allen Bosworth and Kim Skipton, Board of Directors Subcommittee co-chaired by Owen Weaver and Bob Brison, One Mission Subcommittee co-chaired by Missy Smith and Sandy Currier, Bylaws Subcommittee co-chaired by Rachel Seifert and Elisabeth Goth and Policy and Procedure Subcommittee co-chaired by Amy Dix Rock and Todd Graham. See attached reports.

Ms. Currier noted that we are close to getting the office efficiency expert scheduled to come in. Ms. Duncan also reported that staff has been working with USEF IT staff to do a workflow analysis and to improve some procedures. We have received a cost estimate.

### **IV. In-person meeting on October 25-26, 2020**

Ms. Currier noted that the joint ASHA and ASR Boards of Directors in person meetings are scheduled to be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. A discussion took place on when to have the regular American Saddlebred Registry Board meeting. It was agreed that staff would poll the board on availability for either Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. or for Tuesday morning, October 27<sup>th</sup>.

**V. EWAC rescue transfer reimbursement/discounted transfer fees**

Ms. Currier and Ms. Duncan reported on a proposal regarding fees for transfers into the ownership of 501 (c) 3 rescue organizations. Staff will track the number of transfers falling under this policy and will submit a request for reimbursement of a reduced \$50 transfer fee from the Equine Welfare fund. Ms. Goth made a motion to approve this policy, Ms. Knipp seconded and the motion passed with all in favor. This policy is effective immediately.

**VI. ASR Year End Awards**

The ASR Sport Horse Year End Awards were discussed. It was noted that owners have to pay to enroll their horses in this year end awards program and accordingly staff proposes that we recognize the winners in 2020 even though our budget is tight. The board agreed.

**VII. Consideration of Draft Minutes of July 5, 2020 ASR Board Meeting**

Ms. Goth made a motion to approve the draft minutes of the July 5, 2020 ASR Board meeting as presented, Mr. Hartsock seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

**VIII. Other Business**

Ms. Currier reported that a large registry fine had been paid and asked to have something put in place in the reorganization detailing how any fines for a Registry infraction would be handled. Staff suggested that any related legal fees should come out first. Mr. Bosworth will add this to the financial policies and procedures.

Ms. Currier also reported that she has been notified that the CH-SH criteria for Endurance and Dressage are nearly finalized. Ms. Goth noted that the USEF High Performance Committee for Endurance is still serving the role of the National Affiliate for Endurance.

**IX. Adjournment**

With no other business to address, Ms. Weaver made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Skipton seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. ET.

Submitted by: *Katriona Adams*  
Assistant Registrar