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**AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Wednesday, January 22, 2020**

1. Call to Order / Roll Call –Marty Schaffel

Roll Call – The following ASHA Board members were in attendance:

Candi Aversenti, Kristen Bagdasarian, Allen Bosworth, Kristen Cater, Sandra Currier, Nancy Leigh Fisher, Elisabeth Goth, Emily Lee, Joan Lurie, Helena Moreno, James Nichols, Joe O’Brien, Tandy Patrick, Cliff Paulsen, Marty Schaffel (President), Jenny Taylor, Owen Weaver. ASHA Staff David Mount (Interim Executive Director), Jessica Cushing and Alexandra Harper. Guests were Ali DeGray, Scott Matton, Smith Lilly, Fred Sarver and Scott Hagan.

2. Approval of the Agenda – Marty Schaffel

Adoption of the Agenda and Approval of Minutes from the December meeting by motion from Tandy Patrick and seconded by James Nichols. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

3. Declare Conflict of Interest – Marty Schaffel

There were no conflicts of interest to declare.

4. Thank You to Outgoing Board Members – Marty Schaffel

Marty thanked the outgoing Board Members for their service and welcomed the new Board Members.

5. Bylaws Committees Report – Tandy Patrick

There were two proposed bylaw changes discussed per the attachments included in the board packets. The first proposed bylaw change creates a succession plan for the nominating committee to consider. The second proposed bylaw change moves the current Honorary Director section to the Board of Directors section. Honorary Directors would be able to attend the board meetings, but without voting privileges or being an officer. Elisabeth Goth made a motion to accept changes to the Bylaws with wording changes proposed by Tandy. Helena Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. With this, Marty asked that with the approval of the Board, he would like to appoint Joe O’Brien, Chris Schubert and Amy Dix Rock as Honorary Directors. Marty made a motion we add these as Honorary Members for the term of one year. Allen



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Bosworth seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6. Nominating Committee for Officers Report – Owen Weaver

Due to conflict of interest, Candi Aversenti presented the slate which included: Marty Schaffel for President, James Nichols for Vice-President, Allen Bosworth, for Treasurer and Owen Weaver for Secretary. There was a motion made by Tandy Patrick to accept the slate of officers and seconded by Elisabeth Goth and the vote was unanimous in favor.

7. Financial Report – Allen Bosworth

2019 financials and the 2020 budget were included in the Board packets for review. Allen reported that the budget for 2020 is break even. Additional fundraising revenue is not included as any additional revenue would be better considered an opportunity instead of obligation. Marty asked for approval for the 2020 budget. Cliff Paulsen made a motion to accept, motion was seconded Candi Aversenti and the vote was unanimous in favor.

8. Executive Director's Report – David Mount

David reported that the rollout of the ASHA Star Show program and ASHA Horse Show Grant program was going smoothly. Communication to both members and horse show organizers about the programs was ongoing. The board was presented with a recommendation to approve the first horse grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Silicon Valley Horse Show in California. Joe O'Brien made a motion to approve the recommendation to give the Silicon Valley Horse Show a \$1,000 grant from ASHA. The motion was seconded by Owen Weaver and the vote was unanimous in favor. Also, David announced the departures from the ASHA staff of Brenda Newell and Alexandra Harper.

9. CH Sport Horse Proposal – Kathie Dunn-Jacobsen

Kathie discussed a proposal for a CH Program for Sport Horses. CH-SH is proposed for the prefix for those achieving this status. They will compete against all breeds. There is a suggestion for all the CH Programs to include Half-Saddlebreds. This program will include different tracks. The initial track will include Dressage, Endurance, and Eventing. The points would be tracked by the respective affiliate organizations. There was discussion that more information was needed and Kathie was willing to come back to discuss the proposal in greater detail. Elisabeth Goth made a motion that we honor the CH-SH Program and support it. Kristen Cater seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor.



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10. New Business/Old Business – Marty Schaffel

Marty suggested ASHA and ASR find ways to work together effectively. There was discussion of ideas which included joint meetings of the Boards. The first joint meeting of the Boards would be scheduled the following Saturday, January 25, after the ASHA board meeting.

11. Adjourn – Marty Schaffel

Joe O'Brien made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tandy Patrick seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor.