

2/3/16 BOD Meeting

In Attendance:

Abra Sundsbak
Ryane Bakke
Phyllis Larson
Ashley Montgomery
Jessie Armstrong
Darren Buckle
Connie Armstrong
Scott Flach
Jenna Mickelson
Doreen Swenson
Kristy Goodall
John Hovde

Jenna called meeting to order

Secretary's Report- Jenna had a few additions- Phyllis fixed them-
Motion to approve- Jessie- second- Ashley
Motion passed

Treasurer's Report- Phyllis explained checks written (RRV Fair Grounds, Valley City) were deposits for shows for the upcoming (2016) year-. \$900 is for Valley City Show approvals, \$150 is for Novice Show approval.

The Eide Ford check will go into Annual Banquet fund- Banquet showed a profit. Eide should receive a directory and a thank you card/letter. Connie will do the card/letter

Scott asked if there is a Balance Sheet available. Phyllis has one- \$25,903 in checking. Scott asked that she submit one prior to each meeting to be approved.

Jenna asked if the treasurer's report could be sent out a few days prior to the meeting so it can be approved.

Motion to approve- Darren
Second- Ryane
Motion passed

Director's Report- Connie- all 3 Directors are registered for upcoming convention. March – 2nd weekend- Las Vegas

Scott-is hoping to not lose Dorvan in Las Vegas-

John- wanted to thank everyone for the Hall of Fame induction. Exec Pres of AQHA called him yesterday- they are taking the Heritage Breeders Council and moving it into a committee- with a sub-level for Ranch Riding, and making a big deal out of the Ranch Riding.

Amateur Report- no one on call to report

Youth Report- no one on call to report

Directory Report- no one on call to report- Jenna stated that she thought there were a lot of ads- Jenna will follow up with Mary and see that things are moving along and she doesn't need anything.

Question Asked: Are people on their own honor to pay for the ads? Mary sends a list- Phyllis bills anyone that hasn't paid.

Committee Reports- Committee Chairs were appointed at the last meeting

Connie- is hoping to groom committee members from the general membership.

For the time being, we need to fill committees with Board members- each BOD member needs to be on 2- Chair 1 and be a member on another

Jenna- think of what other committee you would like to be on, and contact that Chair, rather than deal with it on a conference call and take up time.

Once the chairs know who is on their committee, get that info to Keely and Jenna so it can be posted.

Ryane- how about we do it on a facebook message- that way everyone is involved – and Ryane will send final list to Keely.

Budget and Financial Review- Bobbi- had talked to JoDee Hass about being on the budget and finance committee- Jodee declined, but did give her some good ideas and pointers.

Scott is willing to stay with Bobbi on the Budget and Financial Review. Kristy would rather do something else. B&FReview has not met since the annual meeting. Please email out findings/results.

Bylaws- nothing new

Marketing/Membership- Erica- not on call- Doreen- will be attending the Hippology meet for Burleigh County this coming weekend and she will be handing out Scholarship forms/fliers- please share/send out to other BOD. (Ryane specifically)

Jessie/Keely- Paypal link- have been working on it

Jenna- AQHA is looking for affiliate award banquet photos/hall of fame inductees- Jenna did ask Mary- the youth did take a bunch of pictures also

Connie- is sending out a membership form to the NDQHA listserv, she said there are over 1200 emails on there.

Show/Special Events- Darren- nothing much to report-

Versatility/Ranch Horse idea- August 20/21 weekend in Williston- there is already a youth rodeo scheduled- could we do a different weekend? Kristy was going to look in Dickinson- Minot- Trail Riders.

Williston Saddle Club is excited about the opportunity- so maybe look at a different weekend there? -

Scott will contact AQHA and ask about a different date being approved. If we do want to do something, we need to get working on it ASAP- needs approval- 120 days prior- there are exceptions-

Phyllis- all judges for all shows are booked- Keely has them, will be posted soon on the website.

Phyllis and Sheri sent a proposal/contract to be the show staff- Jessie and Jenna looked it over; they thought it all looked good. 3*1, Novice Show (no charge), 3*3.

Level 1 Ranch Riding- Open- Scott said that there isn't an option on the AQHA form for this class- Phyllis sent an email to Lisa Todd- it was an oversight and will not be offered in 2016. Level 1 Amateur is offered.

Futurity- Doreen- did Sue contact her? No- Doreen was looking for numbers in each class, wondering if there should be changes. Sue/Doreen please visit and email information out to BOD. Doreen would like to get advertising and it on people's calendars to think about and plan.

Awards- Ryane- Thank you to Abra/Ryane/JoDee for the great awards at the banquet
Ryane- will be getting a hold of Phyllis in regards to an award/per show for budget for each show.
Abra/Ryane will make a sign up sheet for the members- to choose \$\$ or prizes

Hall of Fame- Kristy - nominations for next year- Connie has one previous nomination- Jessie and Connie said that they would help with the committee- guidance.

Annual Meeting and Banquet- Ashley- January 14, 2017. Connie got information for the Baymont Inn and Suites in Fargo- sister to Ramada in Bismarck- she spoke to the event manager- he emailed a proposal- rooms- \$80 + tax, Meeting room charges- \$50 smaller, \$150 larger, Ashley also emailed the lady at the Holiday Inn- hasn't heard back from her- will call her to follow up. She will also look at other new hotels in Fargo-
Connie- just a FYI, the manager at the Ramada in Bismarck waived the fees for the conference rooms with so many room reservations.
Connie- did reserve the Ramada in Bismarck for January 13, 2018, no deposit made. Connie will also share all of her information to Ashley- forms, etc.

OLD BUSINESS

August Show/Clinic – already discussed

State approval of the show in Verndale- before the Wadena run- is in direct conflict with the ND state fair show- was dual approved last year, but was not in conflict.

Discussion- Jessie- has strong feelings against it- it is too bad, we are losing a weekend, but nothing we can do about it. Some years they conflict and some don't.

Jenna- talked to Ron and discussed how unfortunate the dates are- she will let him know the outcome of the vote.

Darren- Motion to not approve the Verndale show for 2016 for ND points

Second- Jessie Armstrong

Motion Carried.

Jenna will call Ron Sundby and let him know.

Weanling halter/Longe Line year end qualifications- classes that can not start until July – quals are at 7 judges. (2yo pleasure, longe line, weanling halter).

Discussion-Darren- if there was more incentive- people would bring them- if we changed it to 6- that is the total of September and October ND Show judges-

Region 2 doesn't offer weanling classes.

Ryane- I think we should change it to 6 judges- might encourage more people to bring weanlings- esp the futurity

Last year and the past- 1 weanling at the futurity-

Motion- Darren- Motion to change the weanling halter year end judges limit from 7 to 6 judges

Second- Ashley
Motion Carried

Needs to be posted on website

Affiliate Award Ideas- too late for 2016- please be thinking of fabulous ideas for 2017-

Ryane- can you keep sending it to remind us? Jenna- Missing out on grant \$\$- so need to think about it and she will try and keep reminding everyone about it. **Throw some ideas at us in April**

Payment Button on Website- went over earlier- Keely and Jessie are working on it

Darren asked if the Longe line could be approved for 6 judges also?

Motion to NOT approve change- Doreen

Second- Jessie

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Winter show and Great Midwest- Jenna spoke to Heather Arens- class updates and schedule changes- Was going to look into changing for the winter show- having a RRVHS meeting soon- she was going to approve the changes- also asked about adding small fry to Great Midwest – she hasn't gotten back to her.

Ashley- talked to Don Patterson- they approved the Small Fry Classes- she also gave him some clarifications on the Level 1 W/T- they do have another meeting coming up.

The BOD Needs to look at revising the per class fee increase voted on at Jan meeting-

Scott had sent an email to consider revising the per class fee change.

Discussion- Scott-this became a real number over quite a few judges, 2 or 3 horses, multiple shows throughout the summer.

Ryane/Kristy- why were fees decreased for the all arounders, but increased for the little people? (halter, reiners, etc)

Jenna- MN Shows- \$15 per class- pretty much everyone is at that fee- FYI-

Jessie- It is more about the principle of it- we are in a good financial position and if it fosters good feelings, we should go back.

Jessie- Motion to revert back to same class fees as last year (2015) in the interest of good faith and fostering good feelings throughout our association, \$12 open & Amateur, \$9 Novice and Youth

Kristy- second

Motion Carried

Will be posted incorrectly in the Journal for our first show, but will be correct on the show bill. Shouldn't be a big deal.

Jessie- was approached by a member who had an idea about bringing in a pro horseman clinic- potential way to make money- **possibly an item to put on the agenda for April and to look into further.**

Ideas for clinics- Darren is in charge- anyone that can help is more than welcome.

Adjourn