# NDQHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# December 4, 2024 / 7:30 PM / Via Zoom

# **ATTENDEES**

Doreen Swenson, Katherine Beaudine, Robin Danielson, Stacey Thelen, Andrea Butler, Rylan Sundsbak, Tara Wolf, Makayla Nyre, Mary Youngs, Sherri Matuska, Nikki Medalen

#### Call To Order

President Doreen Swenson called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM

# **AGENDA**

### Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report was shared prior to the meeting on November 25 via email & Facebook BOD group. Rylan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 25, seconded by Robin. Motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was shared prior to the meeting on November 30 via email with an attached profit and loss statement and the

following balances: Open \$32,383.87/Amateur \$26,359.76/Youth \$12,771.34/Futurity \$1,627.05

Rylan made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Andrea, approved subject to audit.

#### **Commitee Reports**

**Website** - Sherri Matuska - The forms for the banquet have been uploaded to the website. Any other forms that need updating please send to post.

Youth Report - Maggie Waslaski - Congress: Paisley Anderson and Ryder Armstrong Jochim had a great showing. If the directory individuals would want another youth to write a story about, Ryder unexpectedly was unable to bring her show partner to the Congress, but she and "Springsteen" turned lemons into lemonade, finishing as finalists in the Youth Aged Geldings (13th), 11 & U Horsemanship (14th), and L1 13 & U Trail (16th). Year-End Awards: Awards have all been approved and ordered as of November 20th. Hailey Neumann and Maggie are working on the awards slideshow Convention: We will be making tie blankets to auction off at the banquet. Rylan will be volunteering as the auctioneer for the blankets. Sherri reached out to Maggie about making lead line Bags, as Maggie said the youth could do this year. The youth could either bring fleece or two dozen of a particular item for the lead line bags for a fundraiser credit. A picture of the items will need to be sent to Maggie before purchasing so the bags can be completed with different items. Maggie is scheduling her AQHA Quarterly Call with the Youth Department and will send any updates to Doreen before the meeting.

**Futurity Report** - Rylan Sundsbak - Rylan will email Katie the futurity forms and rules to put on Microsoft 365. Sheila is not interested in heading the futurity, but she will help the chairperson of the futurity next year. Buckles are being built and will be ready to hand out at the banquet.

Budget Review - Dawn Martin - absent from meeting.

**Annual Banquet** – Mary Youngs – the forms were posted to the website and emailed to the membership yesterday. She is looking for bigger prizes to put in the auction. Makayla made a motion to spend \$500 on larger raffle items to put in the auction, seconded by Rylan. Motion carried.

Hall of Fame, Sportsmanship Award, Horse of Year – Tara Wolf – Tara stated that she has the stats/information for the horse of the year. Connie oversees the hall of fame, and the sportsmanship award is voted on at the banquet.

**Marketing & Membership** - Robin Danielson - discussed ways to draw in new members. Looking into talking with MQHA to swap ads/membership forms in the directory.

**Show & Special Events** - Makayla Nyre - Working on a clinic to do at NDSU next year. Sherri is working on the show approval fee form.

**Bylaws** - Stacey Thelen - Stacey sent an email with the proposed changes. The proposed changes will be posted on the website 30 days prior to the annual meeting. Rylan made a motion to amend the bylaws and post them on the website, seconded by Robin. Motion carried.

Awards – Andrea Butler – Andrea stated that there are a lot more awards this year due to not having a judge limit this year. The open awards tentative budget is going to be about \$4,675. The amateur awards tentative budget is going to be around \$10,000.

## National Directors Reports

Scott Flach - absent from meeting.

Dawn Martin - absent from meeting.

Nikki Medalen - nothing to report.

John Hovde - absent from meeting.

Doreen Swenson - nothing to report.

Connie Armstrong - absent from meeting.

#### **Unfinished Business**

**Directory** - Nikki and Cassidy met and discussed deadlines. They will have the advertising deadline of January 24. Sending the proposed directory tentatively to the printer on February 15 and mailing it out tentatively on February 28.

501(c)3 - Form was sent in to the IRS - nothing new to report.

**Sponsors** - Thank you cards should be sent to sponsorships. Andrea made a motion to have the NDQHA secretary send thank you cards out to sponsors, seconded by Mary. Motion carried.

**Region 2 position** - Region 2 is waiting to see if NDQHA has any individuals looking to fill the open position.

**Fundraiser** – Discussion held on having another cash raffle this year. Tara made a motion to have a cash raffle with the same terms as last year, seconded by Rylan. Motion carried.

#### **New Business**

**Approve 1 R & J show** - Discussion held on whether to approve one show as we will not be doing the pre-fair show this year at the North Dakota State Fair.

**NDQHA board open positions -** There will be 2 positions open on the board to vote on at the annual meeting.

**Little International donation** – Little I sent an email asking for a donation for the upcoming show. Rylan made a motion to donate \$100 to Little I, seconded by Rylan. Motion carried.

Wadena breakfast - Looking for a sponsor for the Wadena breakfast, which costs around \$900. Will have more discussion on this at the January meeting.

**Requirements for year end in 2025** – At the annual meeting this will be discussed and decided by the new board after the general membership meeting.

Doreen thanked the NDQHA board for the card that was sent to her regarding the passing of her father.

# Adjourn

Robin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rylan, meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, January 18 at 9:30 am in person in the Renoir-Russell room at the Radisson in Bismarck, North Dakota.

NDQHA Secretary/Treasurer, Katherine Beaudine