

Minutes January 12, 2017

Attendance - Megan Schuller, Derryl Brandt, Jan Settles, Evelyn Huff, Terri Rutter, Jesse Wells, Paul Blevins, Donna Comyford By Phone: Mark Kelly, Kristi Bateman

Absent – Rylan Walters, Rebecca Woodward, Jacinda Roybal, Fonda Marler , DeeAnn Atchley,

Guests – Maddie Fraker – Intern

Call to order at 6:38 pm by President Megan Schuller

December Meeting Minutes – Evelyn Huff

Director Huff read the December 3rd board meeting minutes. **Motion: Approve the minutes (Jan Settles), Second (Derryl Brandt) Approved 10 – 0**

Treasurer's Report – Terri Rutter

Director Rutter presented the treasurer's report from December. The convention expenses have been added and several expenses were reclassified to the correct shows. We spent more on the convention this year than last year. Overall we made a profit at the end of the year. **Motion: Approve the treasurer's report (Jan Settles), Second (Donna Comyford) Approved 10 – 0.**

Motion: Move \$8,000 from the checking account to the savings account (Jan Settles), Second (Derryl Brandt) Approved 10 – 0.

Membership – Kristi Bateman

Director Bateman has added all the memberships from the convention and updated the list. The updated list has been sent out. Director Huff brought up a question about being able to add someone to a life membership. This question was answered by checking the bylaws.

Youth – Jacinda Roybal/Kristi Bateman

Director Bateman reported that the raffle tickets are in the process of being printed. There are several prizes that will be offered. The drawing will be at Border Circuit. **Motion: Approve the youth report (Derryl Brandt), Second (Jan Settles) Approved 10 – 0.**

Amateur – Derryl Brandt

Director Brandt reported that the amateur balance is \$3,294.09 with about \$1,000 to be paid out. They have contacted Debbie Cooper to see when she might be available for a follow up clinic. There are currently 46 paid amateur members **Motion: Approve the amateur report (Paul Blevins), Second (Donna Comyford) Approved 10– 0.**

Cattle – Megan Schuller

Director Schuller reported that Dal cannot do cattle for us for the whole year. Director Schuller put it on Facebook that we need cattle. She has received two proposals and is waiting on a third. One is from Roswell, which is \$30 per head with \$2 per mile for freight. The second is from Bode Baize from El Paso. He is willing to do a \$30 straight pass through. We would need to provide the feed as the Koenigs will not be providing the feed this year. Director Schuller will follow up with Mr. Baize since he is closer.

January Show – Jesse Wells/Kristi Bateman/Rebecca Woodward

Director Schuller stated that the trail trailer is not ready yet. Someone will need to go to the Las Cruces FFA and get cones and chairs. Director Wells will coordinate this. We will need to use the ranch trail poles since the regular poles are not done. The ring stewards for this show are Kate Nelson, Louise Huff and Hannah Swarthout. Director Wells emailed out a spreadsheet for the directors and show manager. Each position is listed and names will be filled in as people sign up.

SNMSFG – Megan Schuller

Director Huff will email Ray at the county about making sure the stalls are clean. Director Wells will go out early in the week to look at the arenas.

Magazine – Paul Blevins

Director Blevins read a statement from Martha Sayles. The magazines will be ready for the January show. The magazine is 60 pages this year, four less than last year. The issue with the membership list has been solved. Last year the magazine cost \$14.43 per copy to print. The board had several items they wanted Director Blevins to communicate to Mrs. Sayles. The board wants the opportunity to review the distribution list. We are also requesting to know how many are being printed and to approve any additional printings.

Convention – Jesse Wells

The convention went well. There was a discussion of what to do differently next year. The main consensus was to find a place that had less set up but still allowed us to pick our caterer. Several different options were discussed including the Elks Club, Hotel Encantado and Knights of Columbus. Director Wells will start looking at options for 2017.

Awards – Derryl Brandt

Director Brandt gave a report on the final awards budgets. The youth association budget was \$1,240 and the awards committee spent \$1,224.92. The amateur association budget was \$2,520 and the awards committee spent \$2,489.71. The SWQHA association budget was \$18,483 and the awards committee spent \$18,391.74.

New Business

Director Schuller discussed the need for a signed release of liability from everyone. This would need to be signed by all the show participants before they get their number. We would like to have this in place by the February show. Director Settles will ask Kathleen Walker to look at the release.

For the March show, we have agreed to co-host an event with USRHC. Their classes will run concurrent with the AQHA classes. We will need to add ranch trail. It was decided to add Ranch Trail after Ranch Riding.

There was a discussion about Border Circuit. Director Settles discussed possibly not holding Ranch Trail since it will only be VRH class. This would allow us to adjust the schedule and possibly send judges home earlier than planned. Most directors felt that people would still want to enter it to have a chance to try it. **Motion: Keep the Ranch Trail and leave the proposed schedule as is (Paul Blevins), Second (Donna**

Comyford) Approved 10 – 0. Director Huff has continued to research having a NRCHA sanctioned event at Border Circuit. This will require \$1,000 added money. Director Schuller felt we might be able to work with the Arizona association. **Motion: Allow Director Schuller and Director Huff to follow up on the NRCHA approval with the stipulation that SWQHA does not fund the added money (Derryl Brandt), Second (Jesse Wells) Approved 10 – 0.** Different options for the individual class awards were discussed.

2017 is the 50th anniversary of SWQHA. **Motion: Hold a \$50 raffle at each show (Jan Settles), Second (Donna Comyford) Approved 10 – 0.**

Director Rutter requested help with gathering information for the 1099's. Director Rutter will email the list of needed information and the directors will help gather it.

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