

COLORADO ARABIAN HORSE CLUB
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2009

Meeting called to order by Jim Gromelski at 7:10PM at Renaissance Hotel in Denver.

Board Members present (8 for quorum):

Jim Gromelski
Ron Harden
Helen Alfaro
Norm Brown
Trisha Swift
Lauren Payne
Kathy Scott
Liz Wheeler
Pat Thompson
Melissa Miller

Board Members absent:

Jim Hitt
Jerry Martinez
Cheryl McMahan
Michael Troxler
Mary Wunsch
Kelly Bell

Guests:

Cynthia Richardson
Mary Jo Hoepner

MINUTES – MOTION by Liz Wheeler to approve the May 2009 CAHC Board of Directors meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Lauren Payne Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Ron Harden: Distributed financials via email pre-meeting. Minimal activity to report; all books reconciled. New line item to track email blast income and expense.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received reminders from AHA that June 30th is the deadline for membership renewals that will apply to our delegate count.

Ron Harden received letter from Schwan's offering CAHC a fundraising opportunity.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION by Melissa Miller:

Whereas, The Diane Alderson memorial (halter) perpetual trophy is being refurbished and updated for renewed use; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That the trophy be designated for open yearling halter classes at Fall Show.

Motion seconded by Pat Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.

NORTHERN DIVISION REPORT – Norm Brown: Planning fun show first weekend in October. Trisha Swift is still serving on horse industry regulations committee in Larimer County. Still working on division by-laws

SOUTHERN DIVISION – Liz Wheeler: Tack sale will be rescheduled.

YOUTH DIVISION – Kelly Bell: no report

REGION 8 – Jim Hitt: Pat Thompson reported that the show was down about 100 horses, but all went well. Glen Petty attended the delegates meeting.

SPRING SHOW – Liz Wheeler: Distributed financial report via email pre-meeting. Net profit was \$59.60. Discussed the impact on revenues resulting from charging reduced show fees in relation to concurrently judged classes.

ESTES PARK – Pat Thompson: Starting to receive inquiries about dressage rides. Melissa Miller is requesting help with the dressage classes (gates, scribes, scorers).

FALL SHOW – Pat Thompson: May have a separate judge for Breeders Alliance classes. Show will be three days (Friday through Sunday).

CHRISTMAS SHOW – Lauren Payne: Will be a 2-day show December 12 & 13. Will be a class B show, “r” judge. Show committee is considering judges who will serve for expense reimbursement only and no stipend. No halter classes will be offered. Lauren is budgeting for 75 horses.

ACTIVITIES – Lauren Payne: Trying to find place for annual awards party, is considering the Wildlife Experience in Parker. May also consider Donna Martino’s barn again.

Black Stallion Literacy Project is going to be part of the World Equestrian Games. Mary Wunsch and Cynthia Richardson are going to plan further in advance this year for hosting TAIL program at our shows to gain better participation.

MOTION by Liz Wheeler:

Whereas, The Arabian breed is well represented at the Arabian Race Day at Arapahoe Park on July 19th and will include Colorado Breeders Cup horses; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That CAHC sponsor a \$150 cooler award for the winner of an Arabian Race.

Motion seconded by Kathy Scott. Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Finished until 2010.

AWARDS – Cheryl McMahon: no report

BY-LAWS – Jim Gromelski: Revisions still in progress.

COLORADO HORSE COUNCIL – Norm Brown: Upcoming Horse Expos are: Colorado Springs – July 3-5 at Penrose Events Center; Eagle County Fairgrounds – July 24-26; Ignacio – September 18-20; Denver – March 12-14, 2010.

COMMUNICATIONS/NEWSLETTER – Ellin Smith: no report

DELEGATES – Cynthia Richardson: 2009 Convention dates are November 18-21 in Reno, NV. Room rate at Silver Legacy is \$85 for double. Airfare on United is currently \$311, early bird registration is \$200. Resolution deadline is August 1st.

Current CAHC Delegates are:

Jim Gromelski (or acting president)

Cynthia Richardson

Pat Thompson

Michael Troxler

Cindy Gromelski

Liz Wheeler – Southern Division

Eleanor Dunn – Northern Division

Mary Janson – Alternate

Kathy Scott – Alternate

DRESSAGE – Mary Jo Hoepner: Will host a show/clinic on October 11th at By The Weghe Farm, will offer intro A and B (walk & trot), snaffle bit, training level testing through 4th level

and probably FEI, and Sport Horse in Hand. Mary Jo is investigating whether the points from this event will count toward CSDA year-end high score awards.

ENDURANCE – Liz Wheeler: Liz shared dates and locations of summer and fall endurance rides. Colorado Horse Park Challenge is August 22-23, which is also the Breeders Cup ride for any horses 5 and under that are eligible. Calendar of Colorado rides is available on the AERC website which can be accessed via CAHC website.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Committee consists of 4 officers and immediate past president. Available to help with planning for show budgets, etc.

FUN TRAIL RIDES – Paula Koch: Dawson Butte in Douglas County in September, date TBA.

HALTER JACKPOT – Kathy Scott: Nothing new to report.

HUNTER JUMPER – Chuck Mangan: Jump standards have arrived.

INSURANCE – Lauren Payne: Lauren has solicited information and dates about all planned activities for June 30, 2009 through June 30 2010. Perpetual trophies are considered personal property and cannot be insured without additional appraisal and separate policy. Might be best to have each recipient insure the trophy using their own property insurance policy.

MEMBERSHIP – Pat Thompson: Current membership count is 261 one-year adult members, 50 three-year adults, 6 lifetime members, and 40 youth. We are now allowed 7 delegates; we'd need 351 adult members to be allowed an 8th delegate.

NOMINATING – Pat Thompson: Candidate ballot is completed and will be published in the next newsletter.

STOCK SHOW BOOTH – Jim Gromelski: Email blast will be sent to try and get someone to take over this committee as well as Rocky Mountain Horse Expo.

WEBSITE – Ron Harden: Nothing new to report.

WORKING HORSE – Jim Hitt: no report

YOUTH JUDGING TEAM – Jodi Zeier: Reported at Region 8 meeting that both junior and senior teams are full.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS – Inventory of depreciable assets is going slowly. Location is the most difficult thing. Also discussed putting simple membership contact list on the CAHC website.

NEW BUSINESS: Meeting location – will need to reallocate funds to support meeting room charges of \$50+tax per month.

MOTION by Liz Wheeler:

Whereas, The \$175/year budgeted for meeting rooms was based on prior years' annual membership amount charged by the Colorado Horse Park that included use of their meeting rooms; and

Whereas, Costs for meeting rooms have increased from \$175 per year to \$50 per event at that venue; and

Whereas, The Renaissance Hotel is more centrally located to board members and has offered a meeting room at a cost of \$50+tax per event; Therefore Be It
Moved, That funds be reallocated in order to support holding monthly CAHC board meetings at the Renaissance Hotel.

Motion seconded by Kathy Scott. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION by Lauren Payne:

Whereas, Charging asset depreciation to individual committee funds dramatically depletes those funds; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That all club assets (show equipment, trailer, office equipment) be depreciated from the CAHC general fund and not from the individual committee funds, and any monies deducted from individual committee accounts for depreciation of said assets beginning in April 2009 be returned immediately. Furthermore, any income generated from the use and/or rental of said equipment will be retained by the CAHC general fund for maintenance of that equipment.

Motion seconded by Liz Wheeler. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION by Lauren Payne adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Pat Thompson. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:58 PM.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday July 15, 2009 at 7PM at Renaissance Hotel, 3801 Quebec Street in Denver (Stapleton area).

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Alfaro