

**WQHA Board of Director's Meeting**  
October 27, 2015 – ANNUAL MEETING  
Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Fond du Lac

The WQHA Annual Meeting was called to order by President Kathy Doyle at 1:59 pm. Roll Call was taken and with 15 Board members in attendance: Kathy Doyle, Nikki Schultz, Ron Miller, Larry Spratto, Stephanie Lynn, Michele Andrade, Rhonda Spratto, Cindy Tousey (proxy Lisa Busby), Jim Ramthun, Robert Schmitz (proxy Katie Kosobucki), Danyelle Gabbert, Brenda Lindvall, Keri Smith, Linda Berg, Sara Hauer, Larry Lemke. Additional Attendees: Diane Baier, Doug Baier, Tim Schmahl, Bob & Marcia Smith, Pat Miller

**Secretaries Report** – Kathy Doyle asked for a motion to approve the November, 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes as published on the WQHA website. Diane Baier made a motion to approve, seconded by Ron Miller, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report** – Ron Miller noted that there were no additional attendees to the meeting so no additions to his previous report. Stephanie Lynn made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Nikki Schultz, motion carried.

**Show Coordination** – Kathy Doyle asked if there was any additional discussion from the prior meeting. Working Hunter was brought up with Cap Gun indicating they would hold classes. Memorial Day, Paper Valley and State Show will be also. Stephanie suggested that shows reach out to other hunter's with our show info. Pat Miller asked if Tim could pull the email addresses of exhibitors and provide to show management.

**Committee Reports** –

Banquet – will be held on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>

Hall of Fame – Nominations are due by November 15<sup>th</sup>

Horse Fair – No Report

Membership – No Report

Newsletter, Directory & Website – Nothing Additional to previous meeting

Open Show Program – No Report

Scholarship – No Report

State Show – Nikki asked for approval to hire Judges, Stewards, Announcer and Staff. Ron Miller made motion to approve, seconded by Stephanie, motion carried.

WI Horse Council – Pat Miller is new chair for Midwest Horse Fair

Youth – Nikki Schultz reported that the NYATT Team tied for 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> at Congress

**National Director's Report** – Larry Lemke reported that AQHA has won part of the Cloning Lawsuit. Incentive Fund changes effective January 1<sup>st</sup> will eliminate licensing fee. Rule Changes must be submitted on the AQHA form and are due December 1<sup>st</sup>. Walk Trot classes will be added January 1<sup>st</sup>. The AQHA Convention will be held in Las Vegas in March. The 2016 AQHA Rulebook is posted on the WQHA website.

**Old Business** – Michele Andrade asked about the Back to Basics event, Kathy Doyle will be in contact with Pat Gauthier.

**New Business** – Larry Lemke suggested we send the updated By Law changes to the membership and post on the WQHA website.

**Election** – President Kathy Doyle asked three times for each office if there were any additional nominations from the floor. There were no additional nominations so a motion was made by Keri Smith and seconded by Michele Andrade to close the nominations as read, motion carried. Larry Lemke made a motion, seconded by Ron Miller for a vote of acclimation since there were no contested positions. Motion carried. Thus, no ballots will be mailed for the 2016 WQHA Executive Committee and District Directors:

**President - Kathy Doyle**

**Vice President - Stephanie Lynn**

**Secretary - Nikki Schultz**

**Regional VP – North - Larry Spratto**

**Regional VP – Central - LaRue Wills**

**Regional VP – South - Ron Miller**

District 1 Kay DeBoer  
Zoe Miller

District 2 Cindy Tousey  
Michele Andrade  
Rhonda Spratto

District 3 Jim Ramthun  
Robert Schmitz

District 4 Danyelle Gabbert

District 5 Brenda Lindvall  
Keri Smith

District 6 Linda Berg  
Sara Hauer

Ron Miller made a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting, seconded by Doug Baier, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Nikki Schultz*