

WQHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 2, 2013

Fond du Lac, WI.

Meeting called to order by President Kathy Doyle at 9:15am. The following people were present: Kathy Doyle, Kathy Schroeder, Diane Baier, LaRue Wills, Ron Miller, Beth Treptow, Stephanie Lynn, Mark Albright, Larry Lemke, Lisa Busby(Proxy for Cindy), Robert Schmitz, Nicole Schultz, Keri Smith, Pat Miller (Proxy for Linda Ehret), KathySheahan, Linda Berg(Proxy for Greta), Lance Treptow, John Schmahl.

Secretaries Report-Motion was made by Ron to accept as emailed and seconded by LaRue. We need to go back to change the amount that is paid for the Membership/Points person to \$2500. Approved

Newsletter Report-Kathy Schroeder told everyone that the Newsletter Covers will be auctioned off on Facebook and anyone who is not on Facebook may contact her and she will contact you every evening by email to let you know where the bidding is at. Her deadline for the Directory is November 25th. There will be 1000 Directories printed this year and that is down 250 from last year. Approximately 700 copies go out to advertisers and current members.

Financial Report-Currently at this time the total Liabilities and Equity is at \$61452.00. There are still some monies outstanding yet, but should be coming in soon. There was some discussion on how some of the reports should read. Some have to change from date to date and some need more details. The award money is very tight this year, but what is taken in should cover what is going to be paid out. A motion was made by Stephanie to make the Profit and Loss to print ALL classes & budget info. Directory, Newsletter, state show. Seconded by Nicole. Approved. There should also be a breakout when an event comes up, such as spring show or horse fair to show details as needed. There has been some money, \$4500, that came back to WQHA from the Region 3 shows and that is presently sitting in the General account. Larry made a motion to accept financial report, seconded by Mark. Approved

State Show-Show went very well this year and a thank you to all who helped. Nicole was notified that there is a Huntfield Derby and is we would like to participate she has a sponsor for 1st thru 5th place, WALSH.

Show Coordination Report-Ron reported that the Region 3 show will not to forward after the 2013 show. WI. & MN., voted to not continue without the AQHA support. There was \$65000 left and each affiliate got the money back that they put into the show over the years. District 5/6 got \$2500 back and the WQ got \$4500 back. The remaining money will be split evenly between the states that made up the Region 3, after any remaining financial obligations are met. Ron thinks there should be approximately \$4500 to be given to the remaining states. There also are 2 WQ shows that went to the Regional shows and they will be coming back to WI. A committee has been put together to see where and when we could put these shows for 2014. There was a lot of discussion on where and when these shows should take place, but they most likely will stay in July, but not sure about facility at this time. At this time we are not sure if Marshfield or Silver Dollar will be run in 2014. We are not sure about date either for Escanaba. Leveling was also mentioned, but right now there are no confirmed answers on whether they will be or not in 2014. If there is leveling in 2014 there will be a lot of changes that will need to be made to our awards system. Mark made a motion to leave our awards system as it is now and eliminate any leveling classes. Kathy Sheahan seconded. Discussion and voted Not to Approve. This will be discussed again at the January meeting. There will be a scribe school at the January meeting. It will be held on January 11th at 1:00PM at the banquet facility. There will be no fee to attend for WQHA members, but non-members will be charged \$25.

Membership Report-Currently we have 608 members and in 2012 we had 588. There was some discussion on ways to draw in the members that let their membership's laps and also bring in new ones. Stephanie will look into getting sponsors to help promote being a WQHA member. She will report back at January meeting.

Youth Report-WQHA members did very well at Congress, in both youth and the amateur division. Congratulations to all of you.

Horse Council Report-The applications to have a demo at the horse fair ate due in 2 weeks. At this time the WQHA has no one to take on that challenge. It was discussed that we could maybe hook into the Partners of Progress and that our horses can still be highlighted in their demo. Nicole will check into this further, along with maybe some other groups, so that the Quarter Horse will still be spotlighted. We would still have our barn display and literature available to the

public. Demolition will begin the Monday after Horse Fair on the currently standing barns, and should be completed for Dairy Expo in the beginning of October. Lance has been working with the architects and footing people closely, to help them select a great footing for horses.

Mary Abnet from MN. Is running a Boot Camp for 4-H youth. She has a financial institution that will pay for 1 youth to go to the camp, at a cost of \$200 and she would like us to select someone from our state to attend. A motion was made by Nicole to find an applicant for that youth to go to the camp, and we look into doing our own boot camp. Mark seconded. There was some discussion and we suggested that we fund an applicant and the money, \$200, would come from Scholarship Fund or Region 3 money. An amendment was made by Robert and seconded by Lance that the money comes from the General Acct. 14 yes, 2 no.

Scholarship Report-LaRue reported that there are 2 applicants this year. Robert made a motion that we put a cap on how much these students will be given at \$500.00, Seconded by Mark. Approved

OLD BUSINESS

Outreach-Kathy Doyle got a call from a James Gray who built a race track in IL. And is looking for any people in WI. that race quarter horses. Kathy Doyle was given a few names from people who were present and she will contact this gentleman to let him know.

NEW BUSINESS

Beth made a motion that we take \$2500 from the Region 3 money to use as startup for the 2 horse shows that we got back from the regional. Seconded by Robert. Approved

John reported that the banquet will be in Lake Delton this year on January 11th, 2014 at the Wintergreen Resort, (in the Dells). Please contact them before Dec. 21 and mention the WQHA to get the room rate of \$79. It was also decided that there will be seating in the banquet hall for only people who are eating. It is a somewhat smaller room and there will not be any room for people to just come

to the awards part. Hopefully everyone can come and have a nice relaxing evening of eating, drinking and visiting.

There was some discussion on the paid positions that are currently held in the WQHA. Back numbers, Bookkeeper, Membership/Points, Newsletter. There was some discussion on whether to eliminate the Back number person. Nicole made a motion to retain the position and seconded by Ron. Approved. There were 2 people who applied for position, Lisa Busby and Diane Baier. A vote was taken and Diane will retain position. The membership/points had no one apply except for Tim so he will retain that position. Kathy Schroeder will retain the Newsletter and Directory editor. The bookkeeping position had 4 applicants. LaRue Wills, Ron Miller, Linda Berg and Lisa Busby. They each gave their qualifications and a vote was taken. Ron Miller will be taking the bookkeeping position. I, Diane Baier, would just like to say a thank you to LaRue for taking over the job and keeping us going in the right direction.

NOMINATIONS FOR DISTRICT DIRECTORS

District 1	District 2	District 3
Stephanie Lynn	Mark Albright	Robert Schmitz
Zoe Miller	Jessica Bradley	Nicole Schultz
	Lisa Busby	
	Cindy Tousey	
	Diane Baier (declined)	
District 4	District 5	District 6
Bob Wills	Tina Bothum	Greta Zeller
	Keri Smith	Kathy Sheahan
North VP	Central VP	South VP
Jerry Laumer	LaRue Wills	Ron Miller

Beth Treptow

There was also some discussion on a person only holding one position on the board. Example: A National Director cannot also carry a Director position, because each position is a voting position.

The VP's held a short meeting and brought back to the board there suggestions for officers.

Vice President-Kathy Schroeder

Secretary-Diane Baier

John made a motion to close nominations. Seconded by Larry. Approved

Ron made a motion that the ballots be sent to District 1 and District 2 to vote. Seconded by John. Approved.

District 1 will be voting for Regional VP and District 2 will vote for VP and Directors. Kathy Doyle will get ballots out by November 5th at the latest.

There will be a board meeting on Monday December 2, 2013 to validate the election at Faro's Restaurant in Fond du Lac. Starting at 6:30PM. We need a quorum to validate the election, so please plan on attending.

Motion made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Baier

WQHA Secretary

