

REGION 9 AHA DELEGATE MEETING
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
JANUARY 25, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: Margo Shallcross, Director, called the R9 delegates meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Debbie Himmel did the roll call. BOD present were as follows:

Margo Shallcross- Director, Mark Himmel- Vice Director, Cindy Savage-Treasurer, Pat Barton-Past Director, Jeremy Harper-Ark Rep., Debbie Himmel-La. Rep., Karen Meites-Ok. Rep. and Mark Williams-Tx. Rep. Club Delegate roll call was as follows:

North Texas AHA-2, Gulf Coast AHA-0, Green Country AHA-1, Alamo AHA-2, Central Texas AHA-1, Arkansas AHC-1, Lone Star AHC-0, Legacy AHC of Texas-2, Louisiana AHA-1, Texas Arabian Distance Riders Assn.-1, Arabian Working Cow Horse Assn.-0, Oklahoma AHC-2, Independence AHC-0, Arabian Riders & Breeders Society of Tx-0, Spindletop AHC-0, AHC of Texas-0, Arabian Riders & Breeders of NW Arkansas-1, American Foundation AHA-0, Crown of Texas AHC-0, Ozark AHC of Arkansas-0, South Central Arabians of Texas-1, Star of Texas AHC-0, and Bluebonnet AHC-0. Quorum was met.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Karlan Downing that the delegate meeting agenda be approved. Seconded by Velma Boodt. Motion Passed. (Motion #1-1/25/14-Delegate)

RECESS FOR YOUTH FOUNDATION REGION 9 INC. MEETING:

CALL BACK TO ORDER OF THE R9 DELEGATE MEETING

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2013 DELEGATE MEETING MINUTES: Motion by Velma Boodt that the delegate meeting minutes from November 21, 2013 be approved. Seconded by Herb Meites. Motion passed. (Motion #2-1/25/14-Delegate).

TREASURER REPORT: Cindy Savage, Treasurer, gave the report. Note: See attached handout. Motion by Charles Bass to accept the Treasurer report. Seconded by Pat Barton. Motion passed. (Motion #3-1/25/14-Delegate)

FINANCIAL PLANNING: Charles Bass gave a brief report. He noted that adjustments would be addressed at the upcoming Regional Show delegate meeting.

REGION 9 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW: Steve Buddin, R9 Show Manager, said work is being done to reduce the hard cost of the show. He also commented that the patron' lounge and the commercial exhibitors would be in the newly built room on the show facility. Show staff will double up in rooms if possible to cut the number of hotel rooms reserved for staff. The cost to have shaving put in and removed for the hallway is about \$3500. Steve thought of selling to a cattle organization coming in or out or maybe a local training barn to pick up shavings and remove them to defray this expense. The multipurpose building will have work pens. The show committee is working on the schedule. Debbie Cinotto will be the Dressage coordinator. Friday will be dressage classes and Saturday will be the Sport Horse classes. Karlan Downing asked about possible schedule conflicts for exhibitors showing main ring and dressage/sport horse. Debbie will work with exhibitors to resolve any schedule conflicts. Kathy Braden and Edythe Snowden may have a solution for hallway shaving. Karlan Downing asked about the cost of medical personnel. Steve said that the show already has one under contract.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. January Event and Horseman's Awards: Pat Barton announced that the R9 BOD had discussed revamping the awards banquets. There are currently 69 luncheon tickets sold and 120 dinner tickets sold. It has been noted that the Horseman's awards event has not been well attended or supported. Suggestion has been made to promote the amateur high point awards. Pat asked for suggestions from the floor. It was suggested to shorten the time, no speakers, high point awards in the evening then the fundraiser, and choose a less expensive venue. Karlan Downing asked about including open high points. Pat noted that only 100 members voted on the awards, but 1600 eblasts were sent out.
- b. High Point Awards- Karen Campbell There were around 52-53 entries. The categories numbers increased by 25%. Walk-Trot did not increase. Sporthorse had 23 or 24 entries in hand and under saddle. There is also a recreational riding category. Please encourage club members to join Forms are on the R9 website.
- c. Youth Activities: Debbie Himmel announced that the R9 Youth would be working on securing R9 youth qualifier T shirt sponsorships of \$50 for each sponsorship. Skye Williams, Youth Director, was awarded a \$500 scholarship given at AHA Convention to all Regional youth directors by the Arabian Horse Foundation. Skye also won \$750 for the R9 youth account for selling the most trailer raffle tickets for the AHYA fundraiser at US Nationals.
- d. Directory: Margo Shallcross requested email address updates be sent to her to be used for the Directory. The Times will print and distribute the 2015 R9 Directory.
- e. Other Committee Reports: It was encouraged to submit committee updates and reports to the Hand Gallop. Margo had a committee sign up sheet present for those interested.

NEW SHOW REQUEST FOR 2014: Margo Shallcross asked if there were any new show requests for 2014. The Reichert Show added 2 days to their Arabian division. It was under discussion about a dual qualifier and concurrent show Region 7 and Region 14 had expressed interest. Reichert Show is held on Labor Day weekend. Motion by Herb Meites to allow the Reichert show to have a dual qualifier show. Seconded by Velma Boodt. Motion passed. (Motion #4-1/25/14-Delegate)

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Hand Gallop: Margo Shallcross said that 3 bids were received. It was announced that Bill Eash would continue to publish the Hand Gallop. Bill has added 15 more hours per quarter and he helps with the website, too. Margo will keep the other 2 bids on file. Mark Williams requested that deadline schedules to be posted on website for club news, etc. for the Hand Gallop and website updates. Margo said that the 24th of the month is the deadline for Arabian Insider.
- b. Charles Bass announced that AHA membership dues increase in cost would begin on April 1.
- c. Refer to committee list for Chairs and members.
- d. National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame Lunch in October 2014: Margo asked for any volunteers to please contact her.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Herb Meites to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Jeremy Harper. Motion Passed. (Motion #5-1/25/14-Delegate). Margo Shallcross adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by:
Debbie Himmel

The above minutes were approved as presented, Motion by Velma Boodt to approve the minutes, seconded by Herb Mietes on May 27, 2014.