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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

April 7, 2009

The meeting was called to order in a conference room in John Narmont's office in Springfield. Roll call was taken. The following people were present: Gene Allen, Joe Glassford, Cheryl LaMaster, Brian Jallas, Connie McLaughlin, Kandi Lane, LeaAnn Koch, Mindy Riden, Nancy Allen, Barb Gibson, Lori Jallas, John Boxell, Chris Arentsen, Jake Lane, Lowell Osterbur, Johnne Dobbs, Paul Rogers, Tammy Rogers, Pat Fewell and Doug Ronk. The following people called in by phone: Ken Freeman, Jeff Greaves, Ed Lawrence for Brad Kearns, Nicole Barnes, Francine Barnes. The minutes of the Jan. 23 & Jan. 25 meetings were approved with minor corrections. The minutes will be put up on the website and in the next Yearling. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Connie McLaughlin and seconded by John Boxell. The motion passed.

Race report: Senate bill 1298 passed and went to the House. Gene has been told bill will pass and go to the governor for his signature. Gene mentioned that some of the race expenses had been questioned. His position was created in order to put the race assn. in front of the government to try to improve Quarter Horse racing in Illinois. Gene commented that he has worked hard to get where we are right now. We had to regain rapport with the thoroughbred people and with the tracks to make progress to get a gaming bill passed. When the gaming bill passes it will mean some significant money will be coming to Quarter Horse racing in Illinois. A motion to approve his expenses was passed. Cheryl mentioned that membership money collected with regular association money needs to be moved to the race association account. The money from 2008 would be \$885--\$15 for 59 memberships. A motion to move the money was made by Joe Glassford and seconded by LeaAnn Koch. The motion carried.

Financial report: Gene commented that Brian's report was easy to read and showed the assets in each account for all divisions and the futurities. Brian commented that this financial information is for Directors to go over but not for general dispersal until approved by the Board. Joe Glassford moved to accept the report. John Boxell seconded the motion which was passed.

Committee reports (information sent in the Board packet):

a. **Show:** Joe handed out financials for all shows for 2008. He had given a verbal report at the annual meeting but didn't have it typed at that point. The only shows that made money were the fall shows. Joe talked about the upcoming shows May & June as well as the fall futurity. Cheryl LaMaster will be the show manager for the May shows in Springfield & DuQuoin. Charlene Hurley will be the show manager for the fall shows.

b. **Yearling:** The Yearling will go to print May 10th. Information is needed by May 1st.

c. **New futurity & stallion auction:** We received information from AQHA regarding our grievance from last fall. They have ruled on her amateur status and suggested we refund the entry fee to the person in question.

d. **D1 futurity:** Cheryl reported on the entries she had received to date. The entries are up from the numbers last year.

e. **Amateurs:** The amateurs sold t-shirts at the spring show for \$15 per shirt. They held a 50/50 raffle at the spring show as well as awarded prizes. They sold 96 sweatshirts so far. They raised \$2185 at the silent auction.

f. **Youth:** The youth have 112 youth members so far this year. They will be having fund raisers at Lil Abe shows. The youth have started their ambassador plan and have made presentations to groups about recreational riding and the youth program. The youth would like to give a scholarship this year but may be hampered by the timing of when their CED matures, which will not be until the end of the year. They would like to write a scholarship check from the youth fund and then reimburse the youth fund when the scholarship CD matures. Joe Glassford moved that the Board concurs with the youth wishes regarding the funding. John Boxell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

g. **Convention:** Kandi Lane has secured the contracts & date for next year. There will be some changes in the schedule because stallion auction will be on Saturday.

h. **Awards:** LeaAnn Koch is working on awards already.

i. **Public relations:** John Dobbs gave a report on the AQHA convention. Mary Hannagan was appointed our new AQHA director. Karen Bingham moved to director emeritus. Cloning was the hot topic at the convention. AQHA will continue to study the issue. Also, AQHA discontinued their regional representatives.

Joe Glassford made a motion to accept the committee reports. Nancy Allen seconded the motion, which passed.

Recreational riding: Ed Lawrence had sent his report to the meeting. He mentioned that the reporting structure had been changed and it seems to be working better. The committee has been working on an annual budget and wanted the finance committee to review their proposed budget.

Old business : Cheryl reported on the money received from AQHA for our AIM plans as well as some awards the association received at the Feb. Affiliate Workshop.

New business:

a. **Longe line classes at fall futurity:** Some decisions need to be made about the longe line classes. After some discussion the topic was referred to the show committee

b. **Region 3 support:** The association has been asked to support the show financially again this year. We have given \$500 as in past. Youth and amateurs can sell ads for the program booklet. AQHA is providing less support than in past year. Concern was raised about signing the regional show agreement due to the clause regarding the financial commitment if the show loses money. We have little information regarding the show budget and finances although we have been told the show has made a profit in the last couple of years. Joe Glassford moved to contribute \$500 to Region Show but not to sign the agreement. LeaAnn Koch seconded the motion. Lowell Osterbur spoke about the qualifications of the show management and did not agree to not signing the contract. John Dobbs commented that the Region 3 show is the fastest growing regional show. Francine said the show will stay in St. Paul for 2010, but may move to Iowa in 2011. The motion passed with one dissenting vote.

c. **Open show awards program:** Cheryl LaMaster presented information about the open show awards program for 2009. This concept is part of the AQHA marketing program as well. Joe Glassford moved to adopt the open show concept & publicize it in Yearling. Nancy seconded the motion. The motion passed. --

d. **Redistricting & membership review:** Cheryl would like to review our current districts for possible redistricting due to changes in membership. Ed Lawrence, Tammy Rogers, Paul Rogers, and Joe Glassford volunteered to be on the committee.

The next meeting will be July 7th at 7 p.m. at Richland Ranch. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.