

North Dakota Quarter Horse Association

Open Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2011

I. Call to order

Phyllis Larson called to order the regular meeting of the NDQHA at **7:00 PM** on **January 14, 2011** in **Fargo, ND at the Holiday Inn.**

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Kevin Sedivec, Tyler Ebnet, Phyllis Larson, Darren Buckle, Carrie Hammer, Dallas Schmidt, Bob Flach and Shawn Montgomery. Guests: John Hovde, Joyce Hagen, Todd Iszler and Shanelle Ruter-Anderson.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Sherry Matuska read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Approval of Treasurer Report

Sherry Matuska presented the year-end financial report. Carrie Hammer made a motion to approve the report. Tyler Ebnet seconded. Treasurer's report approved.

V. Updates

- a) Region 2 Championship Show: Todd Iszler gave the board his report. He is interested in being a co-chair on the Region 2 Committee, so is looking for 2 very motivated people to be the ND Reps. He said the show was 3500.00 in the red. There is a meeting in a few weeks where the Region 2 board will produce the financials.
- b) Minot State Fair: Phyllis Larson had updated info from the Fair. The Fair has a new Horse Superintendent, Carla Evenson. She is a certified show secretary.

VI. New business

- a) Phyllis opened up the floor for comments on how everyone thought the horse shows went last year. Dallas mentioned that the halter classes were down and that outside our area they had greater numbers. The board believes that the numbers would be better for all the classes and shows if the Winter Show building stalls were fixed. The bottoms of the stalls are horrible and it causes danger to the horses. The stalls are taken down during the winter months. The board will ask the NDWS if they are able to level the ground before putting the stalls back up and repair the bottoms of the stalls.
- b) Phyllis read the New AQHA Rule changes.
- c) Dallas Schmidt put in his resignation from the board due to health reasons. There will be 4 positions open.
Dallas – 2 year term
Shawn Montgomery – 3 year term
Kevin – 3 year term
Brett Clark – 3 year term
- d) The Board went over the 2011 Aim Plan.
- e) Dallas brought up the concerns about the 3 Star 1 going up against the Corporate Challenge. The Challenge has new management and with that they are having a flat fee. We will need to find sponsors for this show, to add some special benefits for the exhibitors.

- f) John Hovde said the Trail Ride will be June 17 & 18th (Tentatively). John also reminded the board to go to the AQHA Corporate sponsors for funding. He knows the John Deere dealership in Hawley was looking to sponsor clinics and horse events.
- g) The sponsorship form needs to state something about customizing advertising to the sponsors need.
- h) Shanelle Ruter-Anderson brought up the idea of using a Professional Fund Raiser. She has a relative that does that for a living and will ask him to attend the next meeting and talk to the board. Joyce Hagen has also had a lot of experience in Non Profit Fundraising. Both these guests are interested in positions on the Open Board.

VII. Adjournment

Kevin Sedivec motioned to adjourn the meeting. Darren seconded. Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Sherri Matuska