

The NDQHA BOD met on Wednesday April 7, 2021 at 8:00 pm via ZOOM.

President Rylan Sundsbak called the meeting to order with the following present:

Rylan Sundsbak, Sue Karn, Robin Danielson, Katherine Beaudine, Kristi Hoff, Andrea Butler, Denise Majerus, Doreen Swenson, Jacob Anderson, Paige Brummund, Ashley Montgomery, Scott Flach, Dawn Martin, Leslie Foss, Jesse Armstrong, Sherri Matuska & Keely Hewitt.

The Secretary's Report was presented electronically for the February 3rd & March 23rd, 2021 meetings. Sue asked that the time be corrected to 8:00 pm instead of 8:00 am. Andrea made a motion to approve both minutes with the correction, seconded by Doreen, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was attached to the agenda that was emailed.

Open \$36,370.20 Amateur \$36,693.28 Youth \$9021.23
Savings \$2054.15 Futurity \$2861.19

Sue made a motion to approve, seconded by Denise, motion approved subject to audit.

Sherri suggested we close the savings account and roll it into the checking account. Dorren made a motion to close the savings and roll it into the checking account, seconded by Andrea, motion carried.

Doreen reported that the taxes are completed. No bill has been received as of yet.

Keely reported that the invoice for the directory is in the amount of \$2842.27. 350 copies plus postage is included. 176 copies have already been mailed out. Sherri suggested that we mail out directories to our adjoining affiliates, Region 2, etc. Katie will pick up the extra copies. Contact her if you need any to hand out. A motion was made by Doreen to pay the printer, seconded by Denise, motion carried. The 2021 directory is 72 pages long, which is bigger than usual.

Robin gave the membership report. As of April 1, 2021 we have 137 members, including 36 new members, 37 Youth members & 77 Amateur members.

Robin will respond to the AQHA email from Tara asking for Affiliate activities to be sent to her to be posted via AQHA. She will add all 4 of our 2021 shows.

Amateur Report-Leslie Foss

Leslie reported that Ranch Horse versatility has been added to the ND State Fair Amateur show. The show will not start before 4:00 pm on Wednesday. The Wadena Run is set and posted.

Youth Report-Jesse Armstrong

Jesse reported that AQHA has waived the qualifying for the 2021 Youth World Show. Letters of intent are due April 30th.

She voiced concern that not many youth will be attending the Wadena Run as it overlaps the Youth World Show. She is not sure that it will be feasible to have the square auction.

YES seminar is still open. One NDQHHA youth will go as a delegate.

Wrangler Scholarship deadline is May 15, 2021.

The back number fundraiser is complete. Numbers will be mailed out this week. Over \$1000 was raised

NDQHHA members set a goal to collect 300 items for the Food Bank. They well exceeded that amount. Jesse will reward them with a pizza party. Bob & Doreen donated gift cards to first & second place.

2020 awards are completed & sent out.

Dorren said she hopes that YES will continue to offer a ZOOM link as it was very well attended.

Annual Convention-Ashley Montgomery-No Report

Awards-Andrea Butler

Most members have received their 2020 awards. She is working on the 2021 Summer Hi-Line Awards.

By-laws- Denise Majerus-No Report-

Rylan will work with Denise on a few upcoming amendments that need to be presented at the 2022 membership meeting. Sherri will get a word doc copy of the By-Laws to Robin to be uploaded to Office 365.

Budget & Financial Review-Doreen Swenson-No Report

Futurity-Sue Karn

Sue is working on getting things out. Keely has the information posted to our website. She requested that copies of the directory be sent to the Futurity Sponsors. She will get a list together and the number of copies needed. She will share the sponsorship letter with Bob. Sue & Andrea will finalize the number of Futurity awards needed. Sue had a hard time getting decent pictures of the Futurity winners that were

clear enough for the directory. The photographer didn't do any backdrop pictures, only action shots. She feels that still shots are needed for the futurity winners.

Hall Of Fame-Jacob Anderson-No Report

He will touch base with Connie Armstrong . Keri Bradac was selected for 2021 but was postponed until 2022.

Marketing & Membership-Paige Brummund

Paige would like to send out a new member packet to all new members. Rylan & Connie have copies of the membership packet. Robin will send Paige an Excel copy of the current membership list.

Paige would like to have copies of our NDQHA directory available at the following: ND Horse Expo(Nikki)ND 50/50(Nikki), Mn 50/50(Robin),ND State Fair.

Scott had NDQHA banners if anyone would like to use them.

Rylan received a sponsorship form from the ND 4H association. Discussion was held on whether to sponsor in 2021 and what amount. Rylan made a motion to donate \$250 ,specify buckle sponsors,to the ND 4H State Fair winners, seconded by Doreen, motion carried. Paige made a motion to give the overall winners in each division a complementary 2021 NDQHA membership, seconded by Denise, motion carried. Paige will let Jesse know who the winners are. Rylan will get the form to Katie for payment.

Show & Special Events-Kristi Hoff

Kristi had received the August contract for the NDWS. Katie will sign and mail it to Tessa. A copy should also be sent to Sherri, Leslie & Robin.

The Minot Trail Riders declined to have a joint show at this time.

She feels we should see how things go at the State Fair Show & go from there. Brett Clark was mentioned as a possible Ranch Horse Versatility Judge.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rylan asked the BOD to think of ways to engage new members. We need to reach out to all the horse people, not just those that show. Paige requested that we host a trail ride or two in 2021. Discussion was held on how to engage breeders, possibly offer incentives of some sort to be a member of NDQHA. Dawn will contact our MN & SD affiliates to see what they do. Washburn 4H facility could be a location to host a clinic of some sort. Work more with the local WSCA clubs. Dawn will take NDQHA directories to the State High School Rodeo. Scott reported that AQHA level has seen many recent positives. More youth are needed for the future of AQHA.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on whether to have points count for NDQHA year end points at the AQHA Introductory hosted by the Missouri River Classic All Around Challenge in Bismarck,ND on June 12 & 13,2021. Paige made a motion to allow the points to count, seconded by Doreen, 1 NAY motion carried.

Discussion was held on whether to reinstate the All Novice Show in 2022. We should possibly look into an Introductory Show. Ashley felt it was sad that we didn't host it this year. Fargo seemed to be a better location financially and attendance wise. It will be kept on the agenda. The Shows & Special Events Committee will meet to discuss options for a Novice &/or Introductory Show

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are reminded to print the Level of Eligibility for themselves AND their horse . Exhibitors are responsible to print them and bring them to the shows.

Andrea made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Paige, meeting adjourned.

Secretary, Robin Danielson

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday June 2,2021 . The date will possibly be changed as that is the move in date for the Summer Hi-line show.