The NDQHA Board of Directors met on Wednesday December 1, 2021 @ 7:30 pm via ZOOM.

President Rylan Sundsbak called the meeting to order with the following present: Rylan Sundsbak, Sue Karn, Robin Danielson, Katherine Beaudine, Denise Majerus, Connie Armstrong, Doreen Swenson, Andrea Butler, Keely Hewitt, Dawn Martin, Jake Anderson, Kristi Hoff, Ashley Montgomery & Paige Brummund.

The Secretary's Report was presented electronically. Andrea made a motion to approve the Secretary's Report, seconded by Denise, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was given with the following ending balances:

Open \$28,191.67 Amateur \$44,082.51 Youth \$9750.35 Futurity \$2301.61

Doreen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Jake, motion carried, subject to audit. Rylan will have Sue contact the Futurity winners with outstanding checks so we can close the Bremer bank account.

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Robin reported that our 2021 NDQHA Membership total stands at 172. Open 33, Amateur 85, Youth 46, New Members 53.

AMATEUR REPORT- Leslie- No Report

## YOUTH REPORT-Jesse

Jesse reported that the Youth Awards are ordered at a cost of approximately \$3400. Some individual winners opted for cash payment .

Back numbers will be sold for 2022.

A blanket auction will be held at the annual meeting.

Jesse is asking for a chair for the Wadena Run Square Auction.

A Youth Webinar link has been posted on the Youth Facebook page. All are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to tune in.

Doreen will share pictures & information from AQHA at the Youth Annual Meeting.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ANNUAL CONVENTION-Ashley

Ashley reported that all is set for the 2022 Annual Meeting & Banquet to be held at the Holiday Inn in Fargo, ND on January 8th. An Italian Family Dinner will be served, along with an Ice Cream Bar at the cost of \$40 apiece. Members & the BOD are encouraged to bring items for the Chinese Auction that will close at 9:00 pm. The banquet rooms are \$300 for the weekend.

Ashley will check with the Holiday Inn & the youth to see if they can set up a playlist and use their speaker system for after the Awards Banquet.

Ryan Bakke has volunteered to set up a kids table.

Members are reminded to support the Holiday Inn coffee shop. Ashley will check with Len about the donated prints. A couple will be auctioned off. We will need 12 tables for the Chinese Auction & 10 for the Awards Table.

A social will be held on Friday evening(1/7) Deviled eggs, charcuterie board, bacon & meatball hor d'oeuvres will be served. Budget is \$750.Free will donations will be appreciated

Tracy Show Clothes requested that they be allowed to set up a booth during our banquet. Ashley will contact Callie Bredlow to see if she is interested in setting up also.

Ashley will get the Banquet Flier up asap.

Connie suggested that we check with & lock in a venue in Bismarck asap for the 2023 Banquet & Meeting. Typically 150-175 attend when it's held in Fargo, 120-150 attend when it's held in Bismarck. She suggested the Radisson. Food might be better with a banquet style? The BOD prefers a venue where the members can stay & not have to drive.

#### AWARDS-Andrea

Andrea reported that awards are 75% completed. 20 Champion Mollys buckles, 16 Reserve Champion Jackets & 3 High Point awards at \$250 each(opted for money).

### **BYLAWS-Denise**

## PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES:

### ARTICLE II SECTION 1

Any person, firm or corporation interested in the purpose and objectives of the Association may be a member by paying the annual dues to the Association as prescribed by the By-laws. One membership shall be entitled to one vote on matters of the association ARTICLE II SECTION 2

Dues for each calendar year shall be determined by the Board Of Directors. All privileges of the Association shall be limited to paid members. Points for open year end awards will count from the payment of dues, through the end of the year. The payment date will be the date the Association or the Show Secretary receives payment from the owner of the horse.

## BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REVIEW-Doreen

Doreen reported that the changing of the banking facilities is going well. She requests that a note be put in the memo of each check as to what it was used to pay for. The Amateur association is reminded that they are required to get information to the Treasurer in a timely manner.

In the process of changing banks, a copy of our Articles Of Incorporation were requested. Robin sent a copy of our Annual Non-Profit Status that was accepted in lieu of . Robin will contact the State Of North Dakota to request a copy of our Articles Of Incorporation. She will keep,share, & upload a copy to Office 365 .

#### **FUTURITY-Sue**

Sue has asked for input in order to update the Futurity Rules. A copy of the current rules was emailed prior to the meeting. Sue will remind the Futurity winners with outstanding checks

to cash them .The current checking account will be transferred to Gate City Bank in the near future.

### HALL OF FAME-Connie & Jake

Connie is working on a video of Kerry Bradac. She has reserved a room for her for Friday & Saturday night at the Holiday Inn. An invoice will be given to the Treasurer. A plaque has been ordered for Kerry. Jake will order a small corsage for her. Connie is working on a flier for Kerry's bio. She will have it printed for the banquet. She will have the printer invoice the Treasurer.

# MARKETING & MEMBERSHIP-Paige

Paige reported that she won't be able to attend the Annual Meeting. She asks that Rylan assume all her responsibilities there. She reiterated the need for all committee members to put together a list of responsibilities to be passed on to incoming committee chairs before the 2021 banquet. She will have new member packets available at the Annual Meeting. All BOD members are asked to encourage all current members to renew their memberships at the Annual Meeting. Connie will email the 2022 Membership forms to all current members. She will send a copy to Katie ,Robin & Keely for the website.

# SHOWS AND SPECIAL EVENTS-Kristi

Kristi reported that she still has not received the contracts from the Winter Show building. She will contact them again Monday or Tuesday(12/6 & 7) Judges have been hired. Gate people are needed for the Summer Hi-Line. Sherri wanted to know if there were any class changes to the schedule. Jackpot classes will run concurrently with the coordinating Open Class. Kristy will have Katie set up a Show Committee ZOOM meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Paige requested that we solidify & commit to doing a Trail Ride, AQHA professional seminars, etc. Fort Ransom was suggested as a trail riding option. Non Trail riding members could set up the meal & possibly a bonfire. A potluck was suggested. Andrea suggested we do a program similar to AQHA and have members do a trail riding log. They would be eligible for a year end award of some sort. Paige will set up a meeting to finalize.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### DIRECTORY-Keely

Keely Hewitt & Nikki Medalan are willing to put together our directory for 2022. They are requesting \$500 each as base pay & 10% of all ads, after expenses are paid(\$1000 to directory designers & printing costs)They have requested that the \$500 each be paid earlier,the 10% of ads will be paid after all ads have been paid for. Keely & Nikki will split the advertising by the ads they each sell. They will let the Treasurer know how many ads they each bring in & the amounts of the ads.Payment will then be sent to each of them. Jake made a motion to accept their proposal, seconded by Denise, motion carried.

Discussion was held for the 2022 Directory. Nikki is willing to do articles again this year. May not do as many. She would like to do more from the show perspective this year. Possibly a show article about Molly Otto?

The Ranch Horse Breeders page was discussed. Nikki ended up paying for most of it last year. It was decided to keep it this year & try to get sponsors for it.

The NDQHA Proud page was discussed. It was decided to include it in the 2022 Directory and revisit it for 2023.

Horse of the Year was discussed.

The Hall of Fame page will continue. Connie will get the information to Keely.

Connie will send a word copy of the winners to Keely.

Connie will send the 2022 Membership form to Keely.

Page sizes & costs were discussed. Page charges will be as follows:

Front Page\$400, Back 3/4page \$200, Full Page \$175, Half Page \$95, Quarter Page \$50, Business Card \$25. The Front Page Ad will be auctioned off at the 2023 Annual Banquet.

Show Fliers for the NDQHA Summer & Fall Hi-Line will be included in the directory. Amateurs will pay for their show bills to be included in the directory. Great Midwest will pay for their showbill to be included. Region 2 will pay for their showbill to be included. All other entities will need to pay to be included.

### GATE CITY BANK

Gate City bank has requested a list of all those approved to be on each account. Open Checking

Katherine Beaudine-signer, checks & debit card

Robin Danielson-signer, checks only

Sherri Matuska-debit card only(HiLine Show Expenses)

Andrea Butler-debit card only(Awards)

# **Amateur Checking**

Katherine Beaudine-signer Sherri Matuska-signer,checks & debit card Ashley Everson-signer,checks only

## Youth Checking

Katherine Beaudine-signer
Jesse Armstrong-signer,checks & debit card

## **Futurity Checking**

Katherine Beaudine-signer Susan Karn-signer,checks & debit card

#### BY LAW AMENDMENTS

Doreen made a motion to publish the amendments to ARTICLE 2 SECTION 1 & ARTICLE 2 SECTION 2

,seconded by Andrea, motion carried. Rylan will get the proposed changes to Keely for publication to the website. Rylan will also post them to the NDQHA Facebook page.

### UPDATED FUTURITY RULES-Sue

Sue discussed how the payouts are handled. It was suggested that she payout 1-10 placings after averaging the judges' placings. Payouts are never sent until all checks have cleared. Jackpot classes will coincide with the Open classes on the showbill. Sue will draft the rules for the 2022 Futurity. The BOD will discuss and approve after the annual meeting.

## YEAR END QUALIFYING

The current rules state that Walk Trot Exhibitors must show to 7 judges. Not all NDQHA sanctioned shows include Walk Trot Classes. Changes will need to be made to the show rules before the first NDQHA 2022 show.

### MEETING ADJOURNED

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Show Committee will meet soon to evaluate the 2021 shows. Recommendations for the 2022 showbill will be given after the meeting.

Our next meeting will be Saturday January 8, 2022 at the Holiday Inn in Fargo, ND. Time TBA.

We will need nominations for 3 Board Of Director positions.

Rylan can serve another term as he assumed Kristy Goodall's position. He has served only one FULL term.

Doreen has requested to not return, although eligible to do so. She is willing to stay on the Budget & Financial Review Committee.

Ashley has served two consecutive terms so must take a year off before being eligible to serve on the BOD again.

NDQHA BOD SECRETARY, Robin Danielson