

The NDQHA Board of Directors met on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 via ZOOM.

President Rylan Sundsbak called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm with the following in attendance: Rylan Sundsbak, Sue Karn, Robin Danielson, Katie Beaudine, Keely Hewitt, Doreen Swenson, Jesse Armstrong, Andrea Butler, Paige Brummund, Dawn Martin & Kristie Hoff.

The Secretary's Reports for Jan 8, 2021 & Jan 9, 2021 Post Annual BOD meeting were presented digitally. Doreen made a motion to approve the 1/8/21 & the 1/9/21 minutes, seconded by Sue, motion carried.

The Minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting were presented digitally. Doreen noted that the 2020 Region 2 donation amount should read as \$750. Robin will correct and send a new copy to the webmaster for publication. The Minutes of 2021 Annual Meeting will be approved at the 2022 Annual Membership Meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was presented with the following ending balances:
OPEN \$32,716.21 AMATEUR \$43,572.36 YOUTH \$9561.08 FUTURITY \$861.15
Doreen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Sue, approved, subject to audit.

Robin reported that as of Feb 3, 2021 NDQHA has 121 paid members, 29 of which are new members, 32 youth, 66 amateur. Rylan will post a reminder on our facebook pages encouraging all to get their memberships paid before the first NDQHA show of the year.

AMATEUR REPORT: Leslie Foss-No report

YOUTH REPORT: Jess Armstrong

The youth blanket on-line fundraiser raised over \$500. The youth are still selling exhibitor numbers. Deadline is March 1st, 2021. Molly's buckles were awarded for All Around & Reserve. checks were sent for all other divisions. Jesse will reach out to the new youth members with information on fundraisers, showing, etc.

ANNUAL CONVENTION: Ashley Montgomery-no report

AWARDS: Andrea Butler

Andrea has been shadowing Ryane Bakke. 2020 awards are being ordered. The approved budget was \$6500. Approximately 27 Grand @ \$105, 19 Reserve @ \$85 & 3 All Around Awards @ \$1350. They will be working on getting the awards to the recipients. Summer Hi-Line will spend \$50 on Grands & \$35 on Reserve awards. Sue will get the number of classes to Andrea for Futurity prizes, there are usually around 11 classes. Andrea will send a summary of awards given out to the BOD.

BYLAWS: Denise Majerus- no report, Rylan will get a copy of the updated ByLaws to Robin so she can send it to Keely for the website.

BUDGET & REVIEW: Doreen Swenson

We had unexpected expenses in 2020 in unpaid taxes from 2015 & 2016.

Delinquent charges due to AQHA of \$1860.

We were reimbursed \$11,500 in over charges from the Winter Show Building.

Credit card fees amounted to \$99 in 2020 . Katie is working on closing the Credit cards & using debit cards. Bremer Bank charges \$15 a month to have our checking account. Doreen will check out other banks.

1099's for 2020 are out. No further word from Diane Gage about supposedly getting a W-2 instead of a 1099.

Accounting fees will hopefully be less in 2021.

A ZOOM account has been purchased for NDQHA. Rylan, katie, Jess & Leslie have the login information. If anyone would like to use it for a NDQHA related meeting, contact any one of them.

FUTURITY: Sue Karn

The Futurity Show will be held during the Fall Hi-Line 2 day show in August. She will be sending out the Futurity Rules after proofing the wording concerning running classes concurrently. With the donations from the Amateurs & the Open Board, she is very excited about the 2021 Futurity. It was suggested that we do 80% payout for the Jackpot classes & retain 20% to the organization. Ashley has a Sponsorship letter that Sue will ask her for.

HALL OF FAME: Jake Anderson-no report

MARKETING & MEMBERSHIP: Paige Brummund

Paige was wondering if there was a list of responsibilities for the committee members, there is not. She suggested that we compile such a list to give to any new incoming members. She suggested that we man a booth at the ND Horse Expo on June 3,4,5 2021 in Minot. Hand out directories, have membership forms available, get promotional stuff from AQHA.

SHOW AND SPECIAL EVENTS: Kristie Hoff

The facility contract has been signed for the Summer Hi-line. Katie signed the contracts & emailed them to Tessa at the Winter Show . The Show Secretary contract has been signed. Sherri has the blank contract forms. Sherri is working on getting judges, Sherri will get the Office 365 information to Robin. Kristie has emailed Tessa about the contract for the Fall Hi-line but hasn't heard back from Tessa as of yet.

Kristie will reach out to Krista Marshall about the possibility of NDQHA joining their Versatility show. She will reach out to the Minot Trail Riders before their annual meeting. She would prefer to have a plan to present them beforehand, should we pay/share the cost for show manager, show secretary, hotel, judges fees? Need AQHA approval/another judge approved?

The BOD needs to discuss further whether we need to reduce the number of judges required for year end awards. We will only be short one judge offered in 2021 but we are short on shows. The May show is cancelled and we aren't hosting the All Novice Show in 2021 so fewer dates are available for exhibitors

DIRECTORY & WEBSITE: Keely Hewitt

Keely & Nikki are busy working on finalizing the 2021 NDQHA Directory. Its coming together very nicely. It's going to be very nice, a little different, larger & exciting. Nikke has been a HUGE asset. They will plan to send out to households as opposed to individual memberships. Andrea volunteered to pick the directories up in Fargo when they are completed. All are reminded to send any website information to NDQHAWeb@gmail.com not Keely's personal email.

ZOOM: A package has been purchased for NDQHA. Contact Ryan, Katie, Jesse or Leslie if you would like to use it for any NDQHA meetings.

REGION 2: Discussion will need to be held on whether to continue to count Region 2 points for NDQHA year end awards. NDQHA receives NO compensation from the show. It a very expensive place to show at. 2021 points will still count. All are encouraged to discuss with members as to whether NDQHA should continue to count them in 2022.

NEW BUSINESS:

As an organization we need to offer more opportunities to engage AQHA owners . We need to support and promote the American Quarter Horse. Trail rides in different areas of the state, explore & promote different disciplines, potlucks with possible educational events too. Possibly offer some kind of incentive to stallion owners?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Encourage all NDQHA members to print their Proof of Eligibility for both Level 1 & Rookie classes for themselves AND their horses . They can then present them to the show Secretary at the shows. Connie is asked to email all NDQHA members, we need to post to all 3 facebook pages & have Keely post a notice on our website.

Kristi made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dorren, meeting adjourned.

NDQHA Secretary, Robin Danielson

Our next NDQHA BOD meeting will be held on Wednesday April 7,2021 @ 8:00pm. Rylan suggested that we post the ZOOM link so that any NDQHA member may audit the meetings. Individuals can ask questions but would need to be acknowledged by the President of the BOD before speaking. Rylan will review Robert's Rules of Order before the next meeting to clarify the proper protocol.