North Dakota Amateur Quarter Horse Association Annual Meeting Minutes January 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Ashley Ebensteiner at 10:10 am.

The meeting minutes for the September 12, 2015 meeting were read. Sharon Whitmer motioned to approve the minutes as read. Second by Lacey Armstrong. Motion carried.

The Annual meeting minutes of January 17, 2015 were read. Motion was made by Sherri Matuska to approve the minutes as read. Second by Abra Sundsbak. Motion carried.

Sherri Matuska gave the treasurer's report. The balance of the account is \$22648.03. Cash awards to be given are not deducted from this balance. The Wadena run had a net income of \$18,585.44. The Pre-Fair show had a profit of \$1449.44. Lacey Armstrong motioned to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Second to motion by Doreen Swenson. Motion carried. Old Business:

Pre-Fair Show report was given by Scott Flach. Scott Flach will be the show manager and Theresa Morlan will be the show secretary for 2016. Scott will work on hiring some gate and arena help for the show. Trail will be on Wednesday evening. Motion was made to approve hiring arena and gate help for the show by Bob Flach. Second by Jesse Armstrong. Motion carried.

Wadena run will be 4 days instead of 5 days for 2016. We will still have 5 judges. Carla Blaha will be the show secretary and Sherri Matuska will be the show manager. Carla Blaha will take care of the office help and do the assignments of stalls. Sherri Matuska will be in charge of hiring judges and arranging arena help. She will work with Ron Sundby and the arena crew for the show. The amateur's will do the exhibitor appreciation with bars and lemonade. Amateur's will provide a prize box and each amateur should bring something to contribute to the box. Amateurs will use the ARC credit to order the hand towels for the prize box.

New Business:

Roan Horse Association: There will be 5 roan approved shows. No extra show fees will be charged. The will be a \$10.00 flat fee at each show. There will be other incentives offered, such as added money. You must be a member of the roan horse association before the show. You can sign up at ridearoan.com. Roan classes are approved for state fair and Wadena run.

State fair fees were discussed. It was decided that the fees for the state fair show should \$9.00 and \$12.00 per class and offer an all-day fee of \$50.00/horse/judge. Jesse Armstrong motioned to accept these fees. Second by Scott Flach. Motion carried. The fees will be at Par for the Canadian exhibitors.

Doreen Swenson motioned that the classes for the Pre Fair show and state fair show match. Second by Jodi Haus. Motion carried.

Prize Committee:

Prize committee would like to know if gift cards or prizes are what the exhibitors would like. They would like to do all prizes or all gift cards. Lacey Armstrong motioned that we have a checklist for prizes or cash and set a budget. Sharon Whitmer seconded. Motion carried.

Novice Championship show qualifying is now January 1, through December 31st each year. Abra Sundsbak motioned to amend our state qualifying rules to agree with the AQHA qualifying. Rylan Sundsbak seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fundraisers:

Basket Auction for the 1st Valley City show. Those with last name A-M should bring for this show. Basket Auction for the 2nd show in Valley City. Those with last name N-Z should bring for this show. Suggestion for paid warm-ups at the shows if there is ample time to schedule. More discussion will be held at the April meeting.

Wadena run will be bars and lemonade. Everyone can sign up to bring something throughout the weekend.

Lacey Armstrong motioned to have baskets auction at May and June shows and decide on other fundraisers at future meetings. Second by Ryann Bakke. Motion carried.

Election of Officers:

Treasurer elect: Sherri Matuska

2 year director ending in 2018: Bree Dewing1 year director ending in 2017: Jan Ketterling2 year director ending in 2018: Sharon Whitmer

Region 2:

Motion was made by Sheri Lien to give a \$1000.00 sponsorship to support the Region 2 Experience.

Second by Jesse Armstrong. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Sherri Matuska to adjourn the meeting. Second by Sheri Lien. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Alvina Ebensteiner, Recording Secretary