

## NDQHA Open Membership Meeting

1-11-20 1:00 PM

Ramkota Hotel, Bismarck, ND

Introductions of BOD/Committees

Amateur Report- Ashley Everson-President

Amateur 2020 BOD Introductions:

VP- Lesley Foss

Sec-Alvina Ebensteiner

Treasurer- Sherri Matuska

BOD- Sharon Whitmer, Jan Ketterling, Jane Hammer

Youth Report- Kacey Jo Philpot (2019 President)

2020 BOD Introductions

President- Maren Skalicky

VP- Aubree Renner

Sec- Hannah Swenson

Treasurer- Lily Tobin

Directors- Destiny Vadnie, Adeline Brutger

Will be doing a Facebook food drive for first fundraiser.

Bake Sale at First Show

Introduction of Stan Weaver (AQHA Executive President)- Connie Armstrong

Stan Weaver- things AQHA is working on:

DocuSign.

Digital Certificate-AQHA will hold original certificate in office, copy will be emailed- voluntary

Microchipping

NCBA- Collaboration, legislation, currently work with the American Horse Council-

Move to Ft. Worth- it is a long way from happening- 4 or 5 interested parties are spearheading a fundraising effort.

New computer and phone system at the same time- caused a lot of issues but things are looking up.

If you have 2018 registrations that you have issues with please contact Stan directly and he will get you to the correct person to get it taken care of.

2019 budget- first time in 20 years the EC has put \$ back in the reserves.

Ranching Heritage Breeder Program- want to help the ranchers market- add value- to their horses-32 ranches gave away foals last year- 64 applicants.

Secretary's Report- Abra Sundsbak

Online- has been since last February

Motion To Approve- Jesse Armstrong

Second- Makayla Dicinno

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report- Melinda Reiss

As of 1/10/20

Open- 12500.21

Open Savings-2553.64

Amateur-43624.78

Youth-8027.01

Futurity-978.97

Motion To Approve- Rylan Sundsbak

Second-Scott Flach

Motion Carried

National Director Reports-

Connie Armstrong- Handouts

Highlights of approved show items from the Executive Committee.

Connie serves on the awards/recognition/marketing sub-committee of the Show committee.

Clarification on Performance Halter rule change- have to have your ROM to show in Performance Halter-

Open ROM can show in Amt Perf Halter

Handout on free show records-

Handout for leveling eligibility- please do this and take the printout to ALL shows

Online Leveling lookup program- available middle of January

Handout- Level 1 Application- needs to be completed annually if you are going to show in Level 1 classes

Scott Flach-

Thank you for supporting me as a director all of these years

He has now been elevated to Director At Large

At a national level he is on the Youth Committee- Scholarship Program- the foundation has come through with \$ for that for people who do well at the AQHA World Show

Young Adult Task Force- come up with a way to make our youth more aware of opportunities in equine related occupations. Comes down to cooperation with other entities and funding.

Hardship Rule- There are a certain allocation of kids that can attend the world show per state. There are hardship rules to allow kids from other states obtain spots.

Has always followed the AQHA's financial position- contacted the CFO- They do not have financial statements completed- their revenue side is waiting on information from AQHA 4.0, audit is being held up also.

Has loved his job as a national director.

John Hovde-

Great honor to have Stan and Nancy here.

Ranch Committee- 4 Heritage Breeders here at the meeting- Glen Dittus, Lee Hetelvedt, Dawn Martin, John Hovde.

Would like to thank the membership for allowing him to be a national director. He has been elevated to Director Emeritus.

Ranching Heritage side of his committee- Will be selecting the Heritage Breeder of the year for 2020- down to 2- K4 in Washington, and Jim and Joni Hunt in SD.

Budget/Financial Review- Bobbi Jo Krueger and Doreen Swenson

Doreen will be taking over the committee going forward.

2015 to present- trend of financial losses

2019- greatest loss- aprox \$20k

14k from Valley City Shows (Summer and Fall Hi Line)

New BOD elected this afternoon will be forming a new committee to have shows as priority #1

This wake up call will change how we do business. They will be reaching out to the membership to contribute ideas, to serve on committees.

Organizational Overhead was also a large area of loss- \$4200 was one-time expenses. Accounting Firm fees were double(or more) what they will be on a normal year.

Ready to engage in a "budget phase"

We ask for ideas- cost-saving, revenue-gaining

You do not have to be a BOD to be on a committee.

3-page packet was handed out.

2<sup>nd</sup> page is most important- we HAVE to make \$ in 2020- can not loose \$

wants to reassure the membership that the BOD is very focused on this.

3<sup>rd</sup>- page- very simplified P/L-

Any questions please visit with Bobbi Jo at any time

Ryane Bakke- asking for all members participation/ideas to help the association grow and prosper

New Sponsorship Committee- please help them

BOD is working to restructure- change the shows to become more profitable

New Show Committee- we have NOT committed to a show in VC- and at this point, if we not get members to help us gain \$- we will not have shows any more.

Please consider helping- being on the New Show Committee-

Futurity- Sue Karn- still looking for a Futurity Secretary

Matthew Abraham has offered to help her with the futurity this coming year.

2019 was last year of Super Horse- winner was CR Foxy Roxy- Craig and Robin Danielson

Sportsmanship Award- Karen Chyle

Jar in the back of the room- please nominate who you feel is deserving of that award. Will be announced tonight at the banquet.

2019 NDQHA Sponsorship List- handed out to everyone.

Please consider contributing this year- can do so online or find a BOD member.

BOD Elections:

Karen Chyle's Spot-

Nominees- Karen Chyle

Motion for unanimous ballot- Jesse Armstrong

Second- Bobbi Jo Krueger

Motion Carried

Len/Bobbi Jo Spots- please vote for 2:

Nominees:

Kristi Moldenhauer-Hoff

Makayla Dicinno

Leslie Stevens

Andrea Butler

Diane Andersen

Lesley Foss

Melissa Montgomery

Congratulations to:

Kristi Moldenhauer-Hoff

Leslie Stevens

Immediately after this meeting is the meeting with the NEW BOD

Election of New National Directors-

2 positions available

Nominees-

Rylan Sundsbak

Ryane Bakke

Sherri Matuska

Kristy Goodall

Dawn Martin

150 fixed national directors by state- pro rated by registered horses per state. ND has 50,000 AQHA registered horses- gives us 3 representatives.

287 total voting directors including past presidents, foreign countries, Emeritus and At Large.

Scott Flach- gave an excellent description of what is expected of a National Director.

Each nominee spoke

Voted on ballots

New National Directors:

Ryane Bakke

Dawn Martin

New Youth Advisors:

Jesse Armstrong

Bob Renner

