



**NORTH AMERICAN SHAGYA-ARABIAN SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
JULY 29, 2020 AT 5:00 PM, PST, 8:00 PM EST**

MEETING MINUTES

Call to order: Roll call of Officers and Board Members.

Joan Clark, Adele Furby, Directors: Hallie Goetz, Gabrielle Gordon, Jamie Hug Hughes, Elaine Kerrigan, Kathy Richkind, Dr. Bronwyn Rutland present
Candace Philips not present

Other members present: Shelley Child, Barbara Ott, Daunna Sellers

Review of April 29, 2020 meeting minutes:

Joan suggested one change for Bravo awards committee that Candace volunteered to chair and Joan to assist.
Minutes approved with one Nay from Gabrielle.

Board of Directors Elections:

Three at-large positions election results: Candidates: Kathy Richkind, Elaine Kerrigan, Dr. Bronwyn Rutland elected.

Officers Reports:

Joan Clark, President

Adele Furby, Vice President no report

Beverly Thompson,

Treasurer report attached. She has added notes on Membership list for e-mails that don't work and postal addresses that don't work. They are also sorted by region and alphabetically.

Elaine Kerrigan, Registrar – Report Attached at end of Agenda

Adele Furby, ISG Liaison

Reported that ISG BOD will have a conference call August 11. The planned show in Slovakia is on hold due to a change in Slovakian government so it won't be til Jan that they will know if government approves the show, which would be in conjunction with an anniversary show of the Topolcianky Stud's Lipizzans establishment. If the meeting and show cannot be in Slovakia they will be in Geneva.

Board of Director Reports:

Midwest Regional Director:

Gabrielle Gordon reports regular e-mailing to her members about once a month. In her Region she has one new member and one newly inactive.

Southwest Regional Director:

Joan Clark reported that she emailed her Region and notified them of this meeting. Joan also reported that she knew of three new babies belonging to Jamie Hughes, Melissa Rodewald and Elaine Kerrigan.

Rocky Mountain Regional Director:

Adele Furby reported on member who was interested to attend meeting but is at Big Horn Endurance ride.

Eastern Regional Director: Candace Phillips not present

Northwest Regional Director: Jamie Hughes

Had one member asking about Performance Awards

Board of Directors at Large: Kathy Richkind none, Elaine Kerrigan none, Hallie Goetz none.

Committee Chairpersons' Reports:

Website Committee: Hallie Goetz

Committee Chairs and Officers should forward to the Website Committee any updated, missing or new material for the website to:

website_committee@Shagya.net.

Request to BOD to update the NASS Website Builder Platform, this was approved unanimously.

Suggestion for a search bar on the home page of our website. Hallie will look into it.

Are the NASS Meeting Minutes posted on the Website? Hallie said there is a button but no minutes. Adele will work with Hallie to get previous minutes available for posting

New Membership Category on our website for Lifetime Foreign Memberships? BOD asked where this category came from, nobody can remember it being approved. Hallie said she must have inherited it from previous websites. However, it is not on our fee schedule. It was agreed to research the history for evidence of this category being created.

Suggested changes for membership application:

Where it says, "I currently own the following Shagya-Arabian(s) or Part Shagya(s)", change the form to say "I currently own the NASS Registered Shagya-Arabian(s), Part Shagya(s), or Part Shagya-Arabian(s).

Daunna Sellers suggested and it was agreed to instead change to "I currently own the NASS Registered horse(s): name and registration number:"

Add: "Membership year runs Jan 1 through Dec 31"

Adele and Elaine will work to make these 2 changes and present to BOD

Breeding Committee: Adele Furby nothing other than usual business

Promotions Committee: Candace Phillips not present

Jamie Hughes: 2021 National Championship Distance Ride

There was a long discussion of possible ways to have NASS championships at either one ride or a compendium of rides in different regions. It was decided for the moment that Jamie will work towards a proposal for a northwestern championship in lieu of partnering with AHA, as that is as much as she wants to handle for starters. Other possibilities are on the table with several interesting ideas, but we will start with Jamie's project first.

Bravo Awards Committee: Joan Clark

Gabrielle requests discussion of the motion which was passed 7-1-1 at the previous meeting:

She feels it is a conflict of interest. She described her reasoning. No support for this concern was expressed by others. No actions were taken.

“The Versatility Committee would be renamed the “Bravo Awards Committee”.

The Versatility Committee shall concentrate on the development of recognition for any activity not recognized by the traditional NASS Performance Awards.

1. The award itself will be named “The Bravo Award”, and it’s subtitle will be “Shagya-Arabians-Born to Perform”
2. The award can be given to any person or Shagya-Arabian-bred horse for any activity designated by the Committee and approved by the NASS BOD. This could include, but not be limited to, performance in completion in any horse-connected discipline, any notable achievement in horsemanship utilizing Shagya-Arabian-bred horses, any humanitarian act utilizing Shagya-Arabian-bred horses, any breeding or horse management achievement involving Shagya-Arabian-bred horses, any accomplishment or recognition involving Shagya-Arabian breed promotion locally, regionally, or internationally.

Fundraising/Marketing Committee: NASS 35TH ANNIVERSARY 2021:

Special promotions, articles, 2021 calendar, etc.

– Shelley Child report on Calendar Production/Fundraiser.

She described the basics of the calendar she did for NASS last year, it could be a similar one or there are some other options and discounted options to look into. She was invited to present a more specific proposal for a 12 or 18 month calendar within the next month. There was discussion of having individual pages plus possible NASS history pages, European pages or a combination.

Performance Awards Committee: Joan Clark

2019 Awards went out last week.

- Mailed announcement for members to turn in their Performance Awards Entries for 2020 for those who are able to participate in their discipline this year.
- Approve reimbursement of postage for awards in the amount of \$54.55.
Approved

Radautzer Award Committee: Patti Betts - not present

USDF Report: Kathy Richkind –

NASS participates in the All-Breed Awards. NASS didn't have any qualified horses 2019.

Gabrielle question about USDF Nationals. Kathy said that she has explained the reasoning in past meetings – nobody has qualified in the past, nor will they this year, and it is poor publicity for the breed to have an uncollected award year after year because no Shagyas have been able to qualify. In previous discussion the board has agreed.. Gabrielle feels that it is good publicity anyway.

Newsletter: Melissa Rodewald – Deadline for the next Newsletter is Oct. 1. Not present

Correspondence/Announcements/Reminders:

Old Business:

Emails to Membership: Joan explained that a Board matter had been shared by email to the Membership and asked that the Board Members be careful not to let that happen.

New Business:

Share Drive verses Email:

Proposal by Jamie Hughes for a Share Drive system. Report by Jamie Hughes – See attached for sample of screen shots. Jamie described how this might work, giving examples. The concerns mentioned were expense (\$10 per month per member) and the learning curve for the directors. Jamie will look into possible organizational discounts and present at next meeting. It is possible to do a free trial for a few months.

It's been proposed by Gabrielle Gordon to have bi-monthly meetings instead of quarterly meetings. This did not receive support from other members.

Closing Remarks and Questions:

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 5:00 PM PST, 8:00 PM EST

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:07p.m. PST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adele Furby, recording secretary