



2015-2016 Officers

Mary Jane Brown, Director
Chris Bickford, Vice-Director
Barb Garcia, Treasurer
Lisa Kolke, Secretary



**Region 4 AHA Spring Meeting
Mac's Grill~ Pendleton, OR
Sunday, November 6, 2016, 11:00 am
Agenda**

Roll Call/Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Director Mary Jane Brown. Roll call was made to establish a quorum.

The following 7 clubs and 9 delegates, plus the immediate past director were seated:

AHACO – Chris Bickford	AiM – Sarah Asby
AHACO – Sonya Bickford	DAAHA – Elizabeth Jensen
AHBAO – Julie Hedden	EVAHC – Gina Bressler
AHBAO – Cathy Stauffer	CASH – Barbara Zellner
AHCCO – Chana Vanderzanden	IPP – Peggy Weems

Not Present: Magic Valley Arabian Horse Association.

Introduction of guests: Katie Hudson, Peggy Vanderzanden,

Announcements: Region 5 is holding a Mini Convention and Year End Awards Banquet called the NorthWest EquestFest. It will be held on January 7, 2017 at the Tacoma Convention center. Region 5 would really love for some Region 4 folks to attend the event. They have a block of rooms and the link can be found on the registration form. During the Year End Award's banquet they will hold a dessert dash benefiting the Distress Fund with money raised going to Mike Whelihan. Director Brown asked that the Agenda and Registration Form be forwarded to all club delegates and/or presidents to be shared with their clubs. This was accomplished during the meeting via email by Secretary Kolke.

Agenda additions/modifications

Approval of minutes from March 2016 meeting. Tabled until next general meeting.

Treasurer's report and approval: Peggy Weems presented report on behalf of Barb Garcia. There are still a couple of clubs who have not paid their dues for 2017. Barb is following up to make sure she has correct contact and email info for those clubs. There are no new bad debt offenders. **MOTION 2016-07**

Director's report – Mary Jane Brown shared Cynthia Richardson's BOD report from October. 6 Thank You notes from Kids at Youth Nationals and 2 from Canadian National exhibitors were passed around for the delegates to read. Mary Jane discussed the August Board Meeting relaying ongoing and sharing the plans to remake the "Modern Arabian Horse" magazine and utilize it more as a membership tool. US Nationals just ended. It was our 50th Anniversary and it was a great show. Pacific Northwest horses and riders dominated the classes.

Committee Reports:

Region 4 Championship Horse Show Commission: Chairperson Connie Chapman reported that the show had suffered a significant financial loss for 2016. A large portion of this is attributed to the last minute cancellation of the cutting classes and the necessity to return all entry fees. Horse numbers were down approximately 20%. In addition to the Cutting cancellation, the Canadian monetary exchange rate was a significant contributing factor. They are already working on the Show Schedule for 2017 and looking at additional ways to reduce the operating budget.

Judges Selection Committee Dawn Gossler (16), Chris Bickford (16), Kaye Phaneuf (17), Karla Moffitt (17) Peggy Weems.

Announcement of 2017 Judge's Panel: Pre-Show Judge- Tamy Pacho; Regional Judges-Laura Doran, Chuck Mangan, Lisa Jo White.

Regional Working Western Beth Hora. Cutting-Dave Glaser.

Sport Horse/Dressage (Kaye Phaneuf). Survey SH exhibitors has stalled out. Sport Horse Nationals are in Nampa this year. There is conflict with the USDF Zone Championships the same dates. SHN moves back to Raleigh, NC in 2017.

- Region 4 Sport Horse Championships 2016 (Lyn Kinney). No report
- Region 4 Sport Horse Championships 2017 (Kaye Phaneuf)

Scholarship Foundation (Dawn Gossler, Sarah Asby, Becky Fielding, Karla Moffitt, Peggy Weems)

Announcement of 2016 Winners: Moana Kramer won the Youth Scholarship. An Adult Scholarship was not presented.

Youth (youth coordinator, XXXX XXXXX, youth director)

Region 4 Performance Futurity (Karla Moffitt, Mary Jane Brown, Lisa Kolke, Jim Shippers, Katie Walther) No Report

Breed Promotion /Albany Expo (Sue Thompson)

Breed Promotion/Idaho Expo (Lyn Kinney)

Breed Promotion/Fair Exhibits: 4-H fair awards results: High point winner of Des Arab Arabian Breed Award is Julia Matthews with her purebred Arabian Psycebration. Reserve high point winner of Des Arab Arabian Breed Award is Rachel Mansfield with her purebred Arabian Mona Lisa. Light Horse Show: The weather at the fair was mild compared to the usual roasting hot end of August heat that is typical for the light horse show. There was a good turnout of Arabians for Halter day, and there was some stiff competition in the Champion of Arabian Mares and Champion of Arabian Geldings classes. Grand Champion Arabian Mare, Melaina A handled by Elizabeth Jensen and Grand Champion Arabian Gelding, Rushcreek Apollo handled by Katie Hudson. The In-hand costume class had a whopping 25 entries in it. Melaina A and Elizabeth Jensen dressed up as Princesses did not place but had a fun time demonstrating how truly versatile Arabians are.

Oregon State Fair (Sonjya Luke) The Arabian Section was cancelled.

Oregon Horse Country – (AHCCO)

Audit Committee ()

Finance Committee (Chris Bickford).

Benefit Activities Committee (Judi Booth, Kaye Phaneuf)

Breeder's Spotlight Ad-Hoc Committee (Sarah Asby, Chana Vanderzanden)

Distance (Endurance & Competitive) (Carlene Benson)

Recognition Committee (Sonya Bickford) President Mary Jane Brown was presented with a beautiful tooled leather briefcase as a thank you for her years of service as the outgoing Regional Director.

Old Business

Breeder's Spotlight Ad-Hoc Committee (Sarah Asby, Chana Vanderzanden). Peggy Weems motioned to establish a formal Region 4 Breeder's Spotlight Committee of at least 3 people to select breeders to be honored on the Region 4 website. **MOTION 2016-08 Passed Unanimously.**

New Business

Motion for approval of R4 sport horse qualifying classes outside the region boundaries by Kaye Phaneuf

- ▶ Part of the agreement to allow Donida Farm to host the Region 4 Sport Horse Championships is the assumption that a qualifying pre-show will accompany the championship classes. Following the model used for the Region 5 Sport Horse Championships, the package would be known as the Arabian Salute with Region 4 Sport Horse Championships: 2 days of qualifying + 2 days of championships. AHA numbers, but all one show as far as USEF and USDF are concerned. All classes, including Equitation, to be contained within the Dressage, Western Dressage, Hunter, Jumper, Sport Horse In-Hand/Under Saddle/Show Hack and Carriage Pleasure Driving divisions. Since we all are aware of the perils of 'assume', I respectfully request that approval be expressly given for the above-referenced Region 4 Sport Horse qualifying classes. Said classes to be offered at and by Donida Farm, Auburn, Washington, as part of the Arabian Salute from 2017 through the duration of the Donida Farm/Region 4 Sport Horse Off Site-Championship Show contract. Dates for the 2017 competition to be July 13/14 (pre-show qualifying) and 15/16 (Championships).
- ▶ Potential exhibitors have already inquired if R4 Sport Horse qualifying classes will be offered at the Arabian Sport Horse Celebration, the pre-show for Region 5's Sport Horse Off-Site Championships. If this body will approve the inclusion of R4 Sport Horse qualifying classes at the Arabian Sport Horse Celebration to be held at Donida Farm on June 1-4, 2017, then the Celebration show committee will proceed with a cost-benefit analysis. **MOTION 2016-09 Passed Unanimously.**

Chris Bickford made an additional motion that the Region 4 Board Of Directors waive the rule that approval of a Region 4 Sport Horse Qualifying (**only**) show outside of Region 4 must be at a face to face BOD meeting. For shows wishing to host Region 4 qualifying classes for the Region 4 Sport Horse Offsite Show held at Donida Farms in **2017 only**, approval may be voted on by email or by telephone. **MOTION 2016-10** passed unanimously.

Region 4 Show Approvals

IEAHC Memorial Day Classic has requested approval for 4/5 Qualifier May 27-29 in Spokane, WA. Approved. **Motion 2016-11.**

HACW Mid-Summer has requested approval for a 4/5 Qualifier June 8-11, Evergreen Equestrian Park Monroe Washington. Failed. **Motion 2016-12.**

AHACO has requested approval for a 4/5 Qualifier May 19-21 in Eugene, OR. Approved. **Motion 2016-13.**

Utah Arabian Horse Club is requesting a Region 4 qualifier Sept 28-30, 2017 at Spanish Fork Fairgrounds in Spanish Fork, Utah Approved. **Motion 2016-14.**

Arizona Club R4 Qualifier per Peggy, no other information. Motion made to allow electronic approval of a Region 4 qualifier to be held in Region 7 upon receipt of written request from sponsoring group. Approved. **Motion 2016-15.**

Region 3 Red Bluff AHA Club has requested approval to hold a ¼ qualifier in Corning, California, January 21-22, 2017. Approved. **Motion 2016-16.**

Show Commission Elections (3)

Nominations: Barb Garcia, Teri Nilsson. Lisa Munson has elected not to serve again. Mary Jane Brown and Peggy Weems nominated from floor. Ballots were cast. New Show Commissioners: Barb Garcia; Peggy Weems, Mary Jane Brown. **MOTION 2016-17.**

Budget

Chris Bickford passed on the proposed budget for 2016-2017 and reviewed it line by line with the delegates. Motion was made from the floor that the 2 line items for Canadian National and Youth National Garlands be voted on by the delegates either to remain the same as proposed; cut in half, or reduced to \$0. Call for a written ballot was made. Ballots were cast. Result was to cut those 2 line items in half for 2017. **MOTION 2016-18.**

2017 Budget approved as amended. MOTION 2016-19.

Next Meeting date

Tulsa Convention

Spring Meeting **TBA**

It has been my pleasure to serve the members of Region 4 the past 8 years.

Respectfully submitted,

-Lisa Kolke

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Secretary

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