



#### **2017-2018 Officers**

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**Arabian Horse Association**  
**AHA REGION 4**

**Region 4 AHA Spring Meeting | Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 11:00AM**  
**Cascade Grill 110 Opal St NE Albany, OR 97322**

**Roll Call/Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Director Chris Bickford, roll call was made to establish a quorum.

**The following 5 Clubs and 7 delegates were seated:**

**AHACO** - Linda Waagen

**EVAHC** – Dawn Gossler

**AHACO** - Sonya Bickford

**CASH** – Barbra Zellner

**AHBAO** - Julie Hedden

**AHCCO** - William Condron

**AHBAO** - Karla Moffitt

**Not Present:** Arabians In Motion, Arabian Reining Horse Association, Des Arab AHA, Magic Valley AHA

**Introduction of guests:** Peggy Weems, Shari Younce, Kelsie Younce

**Announcements:** Barb Garcia was presented with the Region 4 2016 Volunteer Award for her exceptional service to Region 4 and AHA. Introduction of Kelsie Younce Region 4 Youth Director.

**Agenda additions/modifications:** None

**Approval of Spring 2016 Minutes:** Motion 2017-007, minutes approved

**Approval of Fall 2016 Minutes:** Motion 2017-009, minutes approved

**Approval of November 2016 Caucus Meeting:** Motion 2017-010, minutes approved

**Treasure's report and approval:** Motion 2017-001 Closure of US Bank CD, motion approved. Motion 2017-008, treasure's report approved.

**Directors Report:** Chris Bickford attended, Highlights:

- Cynthia Richardson met with the Chinese Delegation, who has received conditional recognition by WAHOO
- Halter: Nancy Harvey helping address halter issues @ US Nationals.
  - Changes in scoring system must be made through the delegate process, resolution in process.
  - Halter classes will be handled differently 3 judge system with MOS & Score Card with 4<sup>th</sup> Judge acting as penalty judge, horses will be show with in ring procedure.
  - No foreign judge will be used.
  - Yearling Gelding Class AAOTH being added, no qualifications needed for 2 years.
- AHA is moving to a Paperless Association to save costs



- Emails must be present & updated.
- New York Time Square show will be held September 20, 2017
- AHA Registration
  - Purebred - 6.4%
  - Half Arabian + 0.7%
  - Other breeds -23% to +3%
- Overall AHA Membership - 4.2%
- Resolution to Raise AHA Dues will be presented to the delegates.
- AHA Headquarters: 43 Full Time Positions 3 Part Time Positions
- Rob Bick has created a Stick Horse Project, stick horses will have registered names, #'s, cost ~ \$45.00
- Youth Nationals Theme: Vintage Your Way
  - No Gold Cart Parade of Regions
  - Creating a \$1,000.00 for each regional director.
  - \$22,000 needed to create.
- Convention 2017 Marriot & Tech Center in Denver
- Convention 2018-2019 will be held in Tulsa
- Be certain @ Regionals all Sweepstakes horses are announced Horse & Breeder, along with promoting sweepstakes program.
  - All Top 5 receive green neck ribbon,
- Futurity Nomination Fee will be raised \$10.00 to cover extended promotion
- Performance Futurity will increase from \$600 to \$700 excluding Cutting, Reining & Open Reining Derby
- APHA (Arabian Profession and Amateur Horseman Association) High Point Amateur Program
- Encouraging Delegates to attend National Convention.
  - Motion 2017-002, Motion Approved
- Encouraging Membership to come to Regional Meetings
- Develop Club Membership
  - Clinics, Education, Riding Programs
  - Some regions in order get volunteers pay youth volunteers \$25.00 per session they worked into the Youth Fund.
- New Youth Coordinator: Michelle Rasmussen
- AHA Staff Directory for Membership

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **Region 4 Championship Horse Show Commission:** Karla Moffitt
  - Everything is online
  - Show has been shortened, everything is on track & working to finalize everything.



- An abbreviated preshow will be offered also patron program has been changed significantly.
- A paid trail & pattern class warm up will be offered.
- **Judges Selection Committee:** Dawn Gossler
  - Judges selection committee has a list of judges for 2018, pending committee approval.
- **Sport Horse/Dressage: (Kaye Phaneuf)** Barbra Zellner gave an abbreviated report.
  - Region 4 Sport Horse Championship at Donida Farm during the third week of July
  - 2 day preshow called Salute will be offered.
- **Scholarship Foundation: (Dawn Gossler, Sarah Asby, Becky Fielding, Karla Moffitt, Peggy Weems)**
  - Report given by Dawn Gossler: Reserve right to give two scholarships of same category
- **Youth (Youth Coordinator: Michelle Rasmussen, Youth Director: Kelsie Younce)**
- **Region 4 Performance Futurity: (Karla Moffitt, Mary Jane Brown, Lisa Kolke, Deb Witty, Laura Venne)**
  - Based on suggestions from exhibitors, show staff & USEF Stewards, the futurity committee has reviewed the rules and made a few revisions to make them clearer. Once again, we have new buckle designs ordered for this year's show. Because the futurity payouts are fully self-funded, we are actively looking for buckle and purse sponsors. Please contact Karla Moffitt if you are interested in making a donation. Nominations are due April 1<sup>st</sup>. Payments may be paid by installments, or in one complete payment. Make sure to meet these deadlines to avoid penalties. The 2017 rules, the nomination and sponsor forms are posted in the regional championship prize list and on the Region 4 website.
- **Breed Promotion:**
  - Albany Expo: Sue Thompson
    - Same weekend as Rally in the Valley
    - Only have 8 volunteers
    - AHA Booth has been ordered.
    - No \$ from region for breed showcase so private individuals have stepped up and paid for stalls and showcase.
  - Idaho Expo: Lyn Kinney, No Report
  - Western State Fair: Lyn Kinney, No Report
  - Oregon State Fair: Sonya Luke, No Report
  - Oregon Horse Country: Chana VanderZanden, No Report event not held until April 20-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017
- **Audit Committee:**
  - Appointed by the Director: Chair Bill Condron, Peggy VanderZaden, Julie Hedden, Barb Garcia, Connie Chapman
- **Finance Committee: Chris Bickford No Report**



- **Benefit Activities Committee: Judi Booth, Kaye Phaneuf No Report**
- **Breeders Spotlight: Sarah Asby**
  - Director to create committee to establish guidelines.
- **Distance (Endurance & Competitive): Carlene Benson**
  - Actively getting stuff ready for the Region 4 Show
  - National Competitive Endurance Ride being held in Region 4 this year.
- **Handbook: Mary Ann Milette No Report**
- **High Point Program: Peggy Weems, Barb Garcia**
  - Everything is the same as previous years.
  - Eblast with slot machine theme was requested.
- **Recognition Committee: Sonya Bickford**
  - Lisa Kolke awarded the volunteer service award & gift @ regional show
- **Ad-Hoc Continuing Education: Peggy VanderZanden, Karla Moffitt, Dawn Gossler No Report**

#### **New Business:**

- **Region 4 Show Approvals:**
  - Region 8 No Frills ODS – One Day Region 4 Qualifier May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017
  - Motion 2017-003 Approved
- **Show Commission Election:**
- **Website Design and Social Media:**
  - Motion 2017-005 Approved, Motion 2017-006 Approved
- **Judges Selection Committee:**
  - Nomination: Kaye Phaneuf
  - Nomination: Karla Moffitt
  - Motion 2017-011
- **2017 Fall Meeting**
  - September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Bend, OR
  - Karla Moffitt requested a Farm Tour to be incorporated with the Regional meeting to make it more interesting and encourage greater attendance.