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## **AHA REGION 4**

Meeting Minutes March 21, 2021

# **Opening**

The convention caucus meeting of AHA REGION 4 was called to order at 1110 AM on March 21, 2021 via Zoom virtual meeting by Julie Hedden. Roll call was made, quorum of 10 present.

#### **Present**

AHACO Rebecca Duoos-Bourgazas AHACO Amy Pike

AHBAO Julie Hedden AHBAO Cassondra Richard AHBAO Carol Helton

AIM Sara Asby AIM Marcia Donnelly

**DES Arab** Elizabeth Jensen **EVAHC** Gina Bressler **CASH** Lisa Kolke

Not present: MVAHA, AHCCO, ARHA

**Board, committee chairs, guests present**: Lisa Kolke, Peggy Weems, Chris Bickford, Dawn Gossler, Carlene Benson, Julie Hedden, Elizabeth Jensen, Barb Garcia, Cassondra Richard, Rebecca Duoos-Bourgazas, Amy Pike, Carol Helton, Sarah Asby, Marcia Donnelly, Gina Bressler, Dawn Gossler,

Guests: Laura Roberts, Kathy Roberts

#### Agenda approved as amended.

**Minutes presented.** Marcia Donnelly moved to approve (Motion 2021-001). Seconded by Carol Helton. Minutes approved.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Presented by Barb Garcia. Barb explained a problem that has been corrected with the CD.

## **Directors Report Julie Hedden**

Ransomware attack at AHA. No data leak for concern. USEF is working on changing COVID protocols. AHA charged a "regional recovery fee" of \$25/horse at last year's regional shows. Fee has been dropped to \$15/horse for this year. Canadian National AHA show has been canceled for this year and we will again have the

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Midsummer show with youth nationals. Virtual shows have been added, there will be one monthly. Ranch horse rail classes added to US and Youth Nationals. Distance nationals has a site for this year. Glen Petty retired as executive director and Stan Morey replaced him. Convention details to follow. Youth "Are you okay?" program announced related to bullying.

# **Committee Reports**

**R4 Championship Show Commission** Peggy Weems presented.

Ranch pleasure rail classes added. Short stirrup reining added. Performance halter added. Deleted cutting classes but added a cutting clinic and "shootout". Silver Sire breeders group is adding \$3500.00 prize money and halter classes. Schedule same with those additions. Karin Brown is appointed to the show commission to replace Julie Hedden. It was voted to approve the appointment. 10 in favor.

# **Sport Horse/Dressage Championship & Sport horse**

Lisa Kolke presented.

Sub-committee of R4 show committee. Championship show to be held at Devonwood August 6-8, 2021. Judges are selected. Cindy Reid will be steward. Pre-show will be offered. Kaye Phaneuf sent dressage report.

## Judges selection committee

Dawn Gossler presented.

Judges selected for 2021. Judges contracts are pending for 2022 championship show. 3 open positions on committee. Karla Moffit, Kaye Phaneuf, and Dawn Gossler nominated to committee. Voting approved.

# **R4** Performance futurity

Julie Hedden presented.

Futurities are arranged for this year. New committee chair needed. Buckle sponsors needed for 2021.

## **Scholarship Foundation**

Dawn Gossler presented.

Applications due for both May 1, 2021.

#### **Breed Promotion**

NW Horse Expo canceled for 2021. Sue Thompson stepping down as chair. Idaho expo and Western Idaho state fair unclear if they are happening this year – Elizabeth Jensen. Oregon Horse country- no AHCCO members present.

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**Benefits committee** Kaye Phaneuf

No updates.

**Audit committee** Barb Garcia for Jon Howell

Barb states an audit was performed. Barb suggested the championship show books be audited. Julie will talk to Jon about auditing the books. Credit card has been canceled.

Youth committee Julie Hedden

No activity from R4. Current chair is Camryn Pugh with Amanda Kennedy as vice.

**Breeders spotlight Ad-hoc committee**Julie Hedden

No update. Sarah Asby looked into the function of this committee elsewhere. Committee to be disbanded.

**Distance (Endurance and Competitive)**Carlene Benson presented.

Full slate of rides for 2021 scheduled. No PNER convention this year. Funds to go to the May ride for awards for Arabians. May 15, 2021 in Brothers, OR.

**High Point Jackpot** Peggy Weems presented.

Program will run for 2021. Website is updated. Entries must be received before the first show/ride.

**Recognition committee** Chris Bickford presented.

Amy Pike and Kira Millard we recognized for their work during the fires. Barb Garcia received a thank you for her dedication to R4. Connie Chapman received a recognition award as well.

Nominating committee Julie Hedden

Lori Sage is chair. No current activity.

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## **AHA Local level committee**

Julie Hedden/Sarah Asby

Sarah Asby, Cheryl Deahn, and Emily Hanauska volunteered to serve on this committee. Committee is formed to generate local level membership. May is "Meet an Arabian horse month", templates available from AHA to promote.

#### **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

Clarification of Motion 2017-002. Motion reads "if the region 4 show makes over \$20,000.00 profit the excess profit be earmarked to help send delegates to convention by paying early bird registration. The allocation to be decided by a committee to be appointed by the director.

Action to follow.

Elizabeth Jensen to step down as vice director as of the fall meeting as she has moved to GA.

Chris Bickford suggested that R4 should commemorate Irwin Schimmel in some way. Peggy Weems stated that the show commission has plans to do that.

Next meeting: October 10,2021 1100-1300 via Zoom.

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1320 by Julie Hedden.

Minutes submitted by: Cassondra Richard

Approved by: