

**REGION 4 ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Director Peggy Weems at 11:05 a.m.

CLUB VOTING DELEGATES PRESENT WERE:

AHACO	Not Present	ARHA	Not Present (2)
AHCCO	Deb Witty	CASHC	Chris Bickford
AHBAO	Carol Helton	DAHA	Not Present
AHBAO	Alissia Agte	EVAHA	Gina Bressler
AIM	Jonathan Howell	PAST DIR.	Julie Hedden

PRESENT: Julie Hedden, Chris Bickford, Peggy Weems, Deb Witty, Braden Davidson, Alissia Agte, Kay Herbst, Carol Helton, Jonathan Howell, Dawn Gossler, Lisa Kolke, Noel Collins, Cecily Sotomayor, Dan Agte.

MSA/ Chris Bickford/ Carol Helton motioned to approve the agenda as amended adding performance futurity. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 MINUTES.

MSA/ Deb Witty/ Carol Helton motioned to approve the September 22, 2024 minutes. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER REPORT.

Barb Garcia was not present. No report given.

DIRECTORS REPORT – Peggy Weems.

Director Peggy Weems gave a recap of the AHA Board of Director's spring meeting she attended in Denver. She reported the Purebred Arabian Trust (PAT) has filled their four vacant positions.

Director Peggy Weems explained there were two resolutions passed in regard to Canadian Nationals:

- (1) the dissolution of the AHA Canadian National Show Commission
- (2) the Canadian National Show, which is run by Canadians, will now be recognized by AHA.

Director Peggy Weems reported there will be some changes at US Nationals. The addition of some new classes, and English Trail Open and the Derby will only have one go instead of two.

Director Peggy Weems stated Brad Short, Senior Director of Finance & Administration, is no longer with AHA.

APPOINTMENT OF JULIE HEDDEN TO REGION 4 SECRETARY.

Director Peggy Weems explained the Region 4 Secretary is vacant and she would like to appoint Julie Hedden to fill the position.

MSA/Chris Bickford/Deb Witty motioned to confirm the appointment of Julie Hedden to fill the open position of Region 4 Secretary. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A) Region 4 Championship Horse Show –Deb Witty.

Region 4 Show Committee Chair Deb Witty reported the information for Region 4 show is on the website. She stated some of the highlights will be Heritage Day, Cancer Awareness Day, Military/First Responder Day, and Youth Day.

B) Performance Futurity – Karla Moffitt

Peggy Weems reported Karla Moffitt resigned as the Performance Futurity Chair. Lisa Kolke nominated Rod Powell. Deb Witty said she will contact Rod Powell and see if he is interested. It was discussed to have a Performance Futurity Committee. Cecily Sotomayor agreed to be on the Futurity Committee.

C) Region 4 Championship Sport Horse Show – Lisa Kolke.

Lisa Kolke reported she has judges for the show and the awards and ribbons have been ordered. She explained there will be no carriage driving classes as they will be held at the Main Ring show in Redmond this year. There are also no hunter/jumper classes. In the absence of these classes she is looking to expand the dressage classes offered.

D) Judges Selection Committee – Dawn Gossler.

Dawn Gossler reported the committee will meet the first week of April to go over a slate of judges for the 2026 Regional Show. There are 2 positions open for the Judges Selection Committee.

MSA/Julie Hedden/Dawn Gossler nominated Sarah Robertson.

MSA/Dawn Gossler/Deb Witty nominated Cecily Sotomayor.

Both candidates were elected by acclaim.

E) Sport Horse / Dressage – Amy Pike.

Amy Pike was not present, no report given. In the absence of Amy, Jonathan Howell agreed to take over.

F) Scholarship – Dawn Gossler.

Dawn Gossler reported Whitney McCord will take over Karla Moffitt's position on the Scholarship Committee.

G) Audit Committee – Julie Hedden

An audit of the Region 4 Main Ring show was done late last year, so there was no report given.

H) Youth – Theresa Spencer.

Theresa Spencer resigned. Region 4 Director Peggy Weems appointed Noel Collins as Youth Advisor.

I) Distance (Endurance & Competitive) – Carlene Benson

Carlene Benson was not present, no report given.

J) Recognition Committee – Sonya Bickford.

Sonya Bickford was not present, however there was discussion on who to recognize for their service to the region.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Director Peggy Weems appointed Braden Davidson to be the representative on the Local Level Committee.

There was discussion on outreach and promotion. It was brought up that a list should be made that can be found on the website and given out, listing trainers, breeders, and lesson programs that are available.

Deb Witty reported the Canadian National Show is sponsoring a welcome party at the Region 4 show on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, to invite exhibitors in Region 4 to the Canadian National Show in Brandon.

It was discussed that Jim Robbins, I Love Arabians, be contacted to do some social media posts leading up to the Regional Show on the heritage of the Arabian horse in the Central Oregon area.

All budget requests should be sent to Chris Bickford and Barb Garcia no later than August 31, 2025.

It was decided to have the next Region 4 meeting online. Dawn Gossler will look at setting it up.

ADJOURNMENT - (NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 22, 2025, 6:30 P.M. VIA ZOOM OR GOOGLE MEETS).

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

On March 23, 2025, following the close of the meeting, Amy Pike resigned from the Region 4 Show Commission and Regional Director Peggy Weems appointed Cecily Sotomayor to replace her. Cecily accepted.

Peggy Weems - Director

ATTEST:

Julie Hedden - Secretary

Julie Hedden - Transcribed

REGION 4 AHA SPRING MEETING
HUBBARD CITY HALL – 3720 2ND STREET, HUBBARD, OREGON
SUNDAY, March 23rd, 2025 - 11:00 A.M.

Call to order

- Roll Call
- Introduction of guests

Approval of Agenda

Approval of minutes: September 22, 2024

Treasurers Report – Barb Garcia

Directors Report – Peggy Weems

Confirmation of Julie Hedden to fill vacant Region 4 Secretary position appointed by Director

Committee Reports:

- Region 4 Championship Horse Show Commission – Deb Witt
- Region 4 Championship Sport Horse Show Committee – Lisa Kolke
- Sport Horse/Dressage – Amy Pike
- Judges Selection Committee – Dawn Gossler
- Performance Futurity – Karla Moffitt
- Scholarship – Dawn Gossler
- Audit Committee – Julie Hedden
- Youth – Theresa Spencer, Braden Davidson & Noel Collins
- Distance (Endurance & Competitive) – Carlene Benson
- Recognition Committee – Sonya Bickford

New/Unfinished Business

- Other new business

Next Meeting date

Adjournment