Director Mark Himmel called the Delegate Meeting to Order at 7:45 pm.

# ROLL CALL/ OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

The Attendance of the Region 9 Officers was: Mark Himmel, Director; Pat Barton, Vice Director; Velma Boodt, Secretary; Mark Williams, Treasurer; Margo Shallcross, Past Director; Herb Meites, Oklahoma State Representative; Robin Bray, Arkansas State Representative; Charles Bass, Texas State Representative. Beth Walker, Louisiana State Representative not present. The Delegate Roll was called and Quorum was achieved with 27 delegates present representing 17 clubs.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA - Motion /2<sup>nd</sup> – Agenda approved as updated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 2018 R9 DELEGATE MEETING – Approved via Email.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mark Williams provided a treasurer's report for year to date as of 10/31/18. Report filed for Audit.

# **Committee Reports**

- 1. Finance Committee Mark Williams
  - a. 2019 budget was presented and reviewed
  - b. M/2 Charles Bass/Herb Meites to approve 2019 Budget approved
- 2. High Point Karen Campbell/Margo Shallcross
  - a. Number of members down by 8
  - b. Increased class types per horse
  - c. Hotel for the event is: Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott, 8840 Freeport Parkway, Irving, TX (972) 929-8800
  - d. Date is January 26, 2019
- 3. Region 9 Show Margo Shallcross
  - a. Responses to Mark's request for Judge names to be provided by the end or convention
  - b. Contracts are out for facilities, etc.
  - c. Dates are May 29th June 1st
  - d. Trophies will replace the garlands for the championship
  - e. Hotel for staff/volunteers is: Springhill Suites by Marriott-Fort Worth/University, 3250 Lovell Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76107 Tel: 817-878-2554
- 4. Hand Gallop/eBlasts Mark Himmel
  - a. eBlasts are now sent through Go-Daddy
  - b. Constant Contacts will be terminated.
  - c. All request for eBlast/web postings to be directed to Annalise (region9web@gmail.com)
  - d. Any club may request an eBlast to advertise an event, usually 2. If more eBlast are needed there is no problem. However, please keep the requests within reason.
  - e. Hand Gallop Annalise will provide notice of the submission deadlines for publication in the Hand Gallop
- 5. Distance Riding Carla Jo Bass
  - a. Distance ride was held on Oct 21-22- only 2 PB and 1 HA
  - b. Endurance ride at Lake Carl Blackwell on Nov 10-11 only 3 PB
- 6. Working Western Velma Boodt

- a. High Point awards will be distributed in the near future
- 7. R9 Youth Activities Debbie Himmel
  - a. See attached report
- 8. AHA Arabian Horses for Humanity Becky Nash
  - a. The original Goldie R9 purchased was provided to William Shatner
  - b. Another one has been provided and relabeled as #9
  - c. Painted with a Star Trek theme and auctioned off for \$15,000
  - d. Discussions ongoing with Make A Wish Foundation has fallen through
  - e. Currently working on a relationship with Ft. Hood which is the only Army base that still has a Cavalry section
  - f. The All Glory project raises awareness about PTSD and the need for treatment using Therapeutic Riding, etc.

## **Unfinished Business**

- 1. Resolutions
  - a. No discussion

#### **New Business**

1. None

## Announcements

1. Remember to support the R9 candidates during the election process

Adjourn at 8:43 pm

Respectfully submitted

Velma Boodt

Approved via email

# Region 9 Youth Committee Report November 15, 2018

Sarah Porter, our past Region 9 Youth Director, was elected at the 2018 YN AHYA Convention to serve as the new AHYA President. Payne Harper will now serve as the R9 Youth Director and Cole Reser will serve as R9 Vice Director. Jade Johnson will serve as Secretary and London Collins will serve as Social Media coordinator. The new R9 Youth Board are currently working on their plans for 2019 and getting together the rest of their state reps. to serve on the R9 youth Board.

This year at the 2018 USN Judging contest R9 had an AHA judging team. I was asked by an assistant coach of a collegiate team if her 4-H/FFA team could enter the contest as an AHA Region 9 team. The reason was that one of her team members lived in another county in Texas, and the 4-H/FFA rules state that all team members must reside in the same county. So I said R9 would be honored to support their team. I called Brenna, Youth and Families Program Coordinator, and she said they should join a youth club in R9 and they would be eligible to compete as an AHA youth team. Unfortunately, there were no AHA youth clubs close by to the team members, so they joined my youth club, Louisiana Arabian Horse Youth, because our club is free to join if you are a youth member. I was so proud of them for all of the awards they won at the Awards Breakfast on Saturday morning at USN. After the team presentations in center ring on Saturday afternoon, the coach and the team asked me to take a picture with them. I was so honored to have been able to help them on behalf of Region 9. I think they may be competing again in 2019. I would also like to thank the following R9 exhibitors for taking the time to show or lend their horses at the USN judging contest: Dr. Karlan Downing and Ray LeMaster, Dr. Herb and Karen Meites, Patricia Gerdes, Suzanna and Ethan Hupp, Laurie Long, Susan Lallo and Annalise Himmel Allemand. Your continued support is much appreciated. I would also like to thank Mark Himmel for volunteering to be a judge for the contest and he also listened to reasons for the contest all afternoon. He also presented awards at the combined Hippology and USN judging contests awards breakfast.

I would also like to thank the many Region 9 exhibitors, owners, and trainers who always lend me a horse for the TAIL tours at the YN, CN, and USN shows.

The Region 9 youth also donated \$500 to the R9 youth scholarship foundation this year.

The youth of Region 9 would like to once again thank all of the wonderful members of Region 9 who have supported them throughout the year cause Region 9 Rocks.

Respectfully submitted by:

Debbie Himmel

Region 9 youth coordinator