



AURORA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: Monday, April 9, 2018

TIME: 7:10 pm

LOCATION: Strathcona County Community Centre, 2001 Sherwood Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 3W7

CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by Karen Carruthers at 7:10 p.m. and a quorum was present.

Chair: Karen Carruthers

Board Members Present: Marlene Tomusiak, Faith Seward, Diane Comeau-Haramasiuk, Kim Seward, Michelle Hansen, Karen Caughell, and Jean Kot

Adult Members Present: Carla Jackson (Past President) Kristen MacGarva, Linda and Shaylin Sharpe, Wanda and Mackenzie Leubner, Brittany Mackenzie, and Kelly Payne

Youth Members Present: Kaitlin Payne

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the Agenda as presented – Carla Jackson

SECOND: Karen Caughell

CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of March 12, 2018, as presented – Diane Comeau-Haramasiuk

SECOND: Carla Jackson

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

REPORTS

President's Report

- **Region 17 Meeting** – Marlene Tomusiak, Karen Carruthers, Karen Caughell, and Gary Millar attended. They didn't get through the entire Agenda. Ongoing lawsuit between the Purebred Trust and AHA.
- Sweepstakes – significant changes – how the board is run and ??? of the breeder, and AHA member – structure of the program.
- AHA website ongoing.
- There were stats on the 2017 Show. There was a decline in entries: 7.3% entries, 3.5% across AHA; Canadian entries up from year. There was discussion about whether the convention will be held from 2019-20. They are thinking of combining the regional shows and redefining the boundaries. Classes in the Scottsdale show have to be changed, due to re-evaluate Show Commission 2018 Show Committee ???. Delegates on a ??? of the Thunderbird facility. They have retained it. Show locations 2019 - Calgary, 2020 – Calgary; 2021- Langley; 2022 – Calgary.
- The Budget was discussed. Karen Caughell urged members to go to the Region 17 to fill out the survey about regional realignment.
- Westjet has a discount to fly to Brandon. If you have to book rooms or campgrounds are scarce because of another event.
- 2020 Sport Horse Nationals is moving to Chicago. It is only two weeks after Canadian Nationals.
- The next Region 17 meeting is in Calgary.
- Compensation for attending the Region 17 meeting \$300.00
- **MOTION:** Michelle Hansen
- **SECONDED:** Carla Jackson

- CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

- Put off until next meeting because Kim Kelemen was absent.

Region 17 Awards

- The Region 17 High Point Awards were presented by Karen Caughell, as follows:

- High Point Youth: sponsored by Royden Arabians
Shaylin Sharpe & KHS Jayda Kiss+++//
- High Point English/Country English Pleasure: sponsor Willow Acres
Halsteads Romeo & Brittany McKenzie
- High Point Hunter: sponsor Pringle Farms
Enrico++++// & Kaitlin Payne
- High Point Sport Horse: sponsor Millarcom
Qaracus CSF++++// & Kristen MacGarva
- Champion High Point Halter :
MS Solara and Sheena Steenhardt, sponsored by RaeDawn Arabians
- High Point Adult Amateur:
sponsor Kim Seward Training
Kristen MacGarva & Qaracus CSG++++//
- High Point Western Reserve Champion:
sponsor McLean & Shaw Insurance
WG Kahill & Mackenzie Leubner

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clinics/Education

- **Aurorapalooza** – Michelle Hansen gave a report. The group of clinics was well received. We should concentrate more on non-Aurora members. The cost of the event was low. There was discussion about another similar event and when.
- **Trail Clinic** – Michelle gave a report on the clinic.
- There was discussion about the possibility of a parade. We should start small before involvement in a large parade such as K-Days. Jean Kot will post the question on the Aurora Facebook page for any interest in participation.

Membership

- There are 126 adults and 25 youth.

Show

- Show Committee meeting date – May 16, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

Social

- Are we having a member appreciation night? Perhaps another potluck. Maybe July 27. Have a poster at the Aurora Show, 6:30 p.m. event time. Faith Seward is our new Social Director.

Youth

- Diane Comeau-Harasiumiuk gave a brief talk.

CORRESPONDENCE

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OTHER

- Kim Seward mentioned the Region 4/5 Qualifier – should we have an Aurora table? Marlene Tomusiak volunteered to print some information for Aurora and AHA.
- **Website** – Faith Seward suggested changes. Two or three people will get together at Lorie Fisher's place to discuss changes to the website - Diane and Faith. Jean is to send Minutes, once approved, to Lorie to put on the Aurora website.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next A.A.H.A. Board meeting will be on Monday, May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Strathcona County Community Centre, 2001 Sherwood Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 3W7

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting – Karen Caughell.

The meeting was adjourned at __:__ p.m.