



# AURORA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

## Semi-annual Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** Monday, January 8, 2018

**TIME:** 7:13 pm

**LOCATION:** Vicky's Restaurant, Strathcona County Community Centre, 2001 Sherwood Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 3W7

### CALL TO ORDER

The Semi-annual Meeting was called to order by Karen Carruthers at 7:13 p.m. and a quorum was present.

Chair: Karen Carruthers

Board Members Present: (6) Marlene Tomusiak, Michelle Hansen, Diane Comeau Harasimiuk, Kim Seward, Faith Seward, and Jean Kot

Aurora Members Present: Gail Tory, Brittany McKenzie, Barbara McKenzie, Carla Jackson, Kelly Payne, Kaitlin Payne, Shaylin Sharpe, Shayne Sharpe and Linda Sharpe

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the Agenda as presented – Carla Jackson

SECOND: Marlene Tomusiak

CARRIED.

### APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes as presented – Carla Jackson

SECOND: Kim Seward

CARRIED.

### BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### REPORTS

##### President's Report

- Welcome to the meeting. Aurora has given \$10.00 towards the dinner.

##### Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer was absent and the numbers will be available at the next meeting.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Clinics/Education

- Trail Clinic – To be held April 7 and 8. Michelle will be determining the cost for the clinic and will have that available soon. Cost will be based on 10 participants, but there may be room for 12. Will also determine if there will be a separate non-member fee. Auditors fee will be \$30 (which includes lunch).
- Ranch riding may be another potential clinic.
- March 25 – Michelle is working on a free clinic for members, which will have stations for different subjects such as showmanship, grooming, etc. More details to come.

##### Membership

- Karen reported that there are 121 adults and 33 youth members
- Faith is looking into having a table at the Salisbury Farmers Market to promote Aurora and the Arabian Horse. There is no cost for the table.

##### Show

- June 7 -10. The Aurora show will be concurrent double Region 17 show this year.
- Sponsorship packages have been printed off and it is very important for everyone to bring in at least two sponsors for the show.
- Volunteer schedule is made, and everyone is encouraged to sign up for a position.

- Next Show Committee meeting – Monday, January 15, at 7:00 p.m. at Diane Comeau Harasimiuk's place. Diane will put the details on the Aurora Facebook page.

### **Social**

- Karen contacted two people for the position of social director and both are busy. The position will remain vacant for now.

### **Youth**

- There are no updates. Usually something at Scottsdale. Kelly and Mom need names of the youth by January 25, 2018. Diane will Facebook post all this.

### **OTHER**

- Region 17 meeting – Aurora can send 4 delegates to the March 17 meeting.
  - The 4 delegates going to the meeting will be Karen Carruthers, Karen Caughell, Michelle Hansen and Marlene Tomusiak. Carla Jackson is the alternate.
- Membership issue
  - If someone is a member of another AHA affiliate (professional horseman, etc) they are not able to also choose to be an Aurora member
  - Check if Aurora can do an associate membership without AHA
  - Karen will consult Brenda Engler regarding this
- Diane will be the Facebook person. She will contact Lorie Fisher.
- Jean Kot advised that Gary Millar's father passed away on December 31, 2017. Aurora will send flowers or donation. Carla will do this.

### **High Point Awards**

- The 2017 High Point Awards were presented, as follows:

Western Pleasure – BD Shavonna+++// & Kaitlin Payne (223 points)  
 English Pleasure – Halsteads Romeo & Brittany McKenzie (110 points)  
 Hunter Pleasure – Enrico++++// & Kaitlin Payne (220 points)  
 Sport Horse – KHS Jayda Kiss+++// & Shaylin Sharpe (304 points)  
 Adult Amateur – Brittany McKenzie & Halsteads Romeo (110 points)  
 Junior – Shaylin Sharpe & KHS Jayda Kiss+++// (401 points)

Paul Guthrie High Point Jr. Western Rider – Kaitlin Payne & BD Shavonna+++// (223 points)  
 Austin Whelihan High Point English Rider – Arianna Bell & Constantine LR (86 points)

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Website
  - There were some suggestions made that the website needs to be more current and updated.
  - Lorie is happy to continue with the website, we just need to communicate with her.
  - One person is to be responsible for providing Lorie with information. Carla will be the person. Put on website that any information goes through Carla.
  - Minutes go on the website upon approval at the meeting.
  - To be added to the Agenda – revamp website. Faith will look into it. Perhaps Lorie Fisher could come to the next meeting to discuss possible changes.
- The Sharpe family donated the entire meal, which Aurora appreciated very much. Thank you to the Sharpe family.

### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next A.A.H.A. show committee meeting will be on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the Director meeting to follow at 7:00 pm at the Strathcona County Community Centre, 2001 Sherwood Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 3W7

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Diane Comeau moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm.