



AURORA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: Monday, June 12, 2017

TIME: 7:00pm

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

CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order by Carla Jackson at 7:00 p.m. and a quorum was present.

Chair: Carla Jackson

Board Members Present: (8) Carla Jackson, Karen Carruthers, Norrie-Shan Fyfe, Marlene Tomusiak, Karen Caughell, Shelley Robertson, Kim Kelemen, Diane Comeau

Members Present: (2) Christine Loo, Jean Kot

Guests Present: (2) Raylene McWade, Barbara Brinker

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda is prepared in advance of the meeting and if members would like to add something to the next agenda, you are asked to notify A.A.H.A. with your request prior to the meeting. It is the responsibility of the Chair to ensure the meeting keeps moving to cover the issues in the time allotted and to ensure everyone has an opportunity to contribute. We encourage additions to the agenda, participation and open conversation.

MOTION: To approve the Agenda as presented - Karen Caughell

SECOND: Karen Carruthers

CARRIED.

The agenda was reviewed and approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of May 8, 2017 as amended - Karen Carruthers

SECOND: Karen Caughell

CARRIED.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as amended.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

These are Action Items, items that were initiated at the last meeting, projects that members committed to accomplish before the next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS from the previous meeting

N/A

REPORTS

President's Report

- Welcome to all those in attendance. There will be a lot to cover and given the time constraints, the meeting will move along.

Treasurer's Report

- Online/e-transfer banking is being added to the Aurora bank account to facilitate receivables and payables.
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clinics/Education

- Deb Storey would be available in March to run a two day Trail clinic
- Deb Witty has been contacted to do a Ranch Pleasure clinic
- Smith Lilly recently did a saddleseat clinic hosted by the saddlebred community and the cost was \$300.00 to ride and \$40.00 to audit. It was a successful clinic for them.

Communications

- N/A

Membership

- 142 adult members which means Aurora would be eligible to send four delegates to Convention
- Board members in attendance were asked who might be interested in attending. There was consensus
- Carla Jackson - delegate
- Marlene Tomusiak - delegate
- Karen Caughell - delegate
- Kim Kelemen - alternate
- Norrie-Shan Fyfe - alternate
- Karen Carruthers - alternate
- Early Bird registration is valid until _____
- The delegates and alternate roster will be finalized by _____
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Show

- 177 entries (134 arabians, 40 saddlebreds, 2 morgans, 1 pony)
- the initial numbers: income - \$64,000, expenses \$53,000. approximate profit \$11,000.
- made money on camping and shavings
- 40 post entries, after deadline \$25, less than one week before show a rush fee increase to \$50.00
- there were a large number of dressage entries that needed to be accommodated
- classes ran late so perhaps a change to the prize list, earlier start on Thursday
- the consensus with moving dressage inside with a compressed three rings worked pretty well
- not having a photographer worked out just fine
- perhaps shorten Sport Horse in Hand time
- have a cooler with water in the hitching ring for volunteers
- consider early stabling on Wednesday night
- a social/food truck night was suggested. sylvan lake routinely has Thursday Food Truck Night
- safety in the Hitching Ring needs to be closely monitored by the Steward
- we need to make a decision regarding ribbons for next year. There was some miscommunication and the ___ classes received only strip ribbons
- evaluate and create some paid positions for key people

Social

- N/A

Youth

- Youth did a photo booth in the Arena at the Aurora show

CORRESPONDENCE

- A.H.A. made a request for an email address. Aurora does have an email address and Kim will check to see who currently manages it and will have directed to her so someone on the Board has access.
- An email request was received through A.E.F. from Horse Haven for coaches and instructors to volunteer during the Stampede to provide the general public with information about horse ownership and care. This event takes place in Calgary one week prior to the Region 17 show.
- The 2017 Convention sponsorship was presented and it was decided that the A.A.H.A. would sponsor some door prizes for Convention but would not be making a cash donation. This will be discussed further at the September meeting.

OTHER

- Board Positions - The next meeting of the A.A.H.A. will be the Annual General Meeting in September and elections for all positions on the Board will be held. Shelley will check the bylaws to see if there is flexibility on the date for the AGM. There is interest from a number of Board members to let their names stand for the 2017-2018 year (Diane, Norrie-Shan, Karen Carruthers, Karen Caughell).
- Dates To Note:
 - Region 4 - June 19-24, Nampa, Idaho
 - Western Breeders Show - June 22-25, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
 - Region 5 - July 6 - 9 Monroe, Washington
 - Region 17 - July 24-29 Calgary, Alberta
- Region 17 will hold their Fall meeting in Nisku, September 30, 2017 at the Wingate, the same location selected for the Spring meeting. There was some discussion about A.A.H.A. sponsoring a wine and cheese mixer. The decision was made to see if there was a room

available so wine and cheese could be brought in and a casual affair held which would be far less expensive.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next A.A.H.A. meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 7:00p.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 9:00 p.m.