



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
January 14, 2023, 8 AM CDT
Ramkota Hotel, Pierre, SD

Call to Order

President Bob Quickstad called the meeting to order at 8:05am.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Shelby Holmes. Members present were:

- Bob Quickstad
- Jodie Svennes
- Shelby Holmes
- Janet Hansen
- Shirley Wetz
- Troy Crowser
- Penny Petersen
- Marcia Henderickson
- Debbi-Holmes-Stockstill
- Kirsten Gonsoir
- Dean Johnson
- James Hootman
- Larry Larson
- Jim Hunt – was in EC meeting for the first half of board meeting

Secretary's Report

Shelby Holmes presented the secretary's report from 1/7/2022. Dean Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. Penny Petersen seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Financial Report

Jodie Svennes updated the board on the financial report. Major highlights include that we transferred account from First State Bank to Wells Fargo. Taxes have been complete and filed. The rise in membership this year compared to previous years with 53 members as of January 14th. The 2020 and 2021 audits are complete. Jodie also brought up remodeling the booth for the Black Hills Stock Show.

Other miscellaneous things that were brought to the board by Jodie Svennes. The topics included that Jodie Svennes and Shelby Holmes were going to work to get the historical documents organized and making another copy to have for either Shelby Holmes or Bob Quickstad to keep for safekeeping. With the help of Marcia Hendericksen's scanner, these things will hopefully get done this year.

Dean Johnson made a motion to approve the financial report. Penny Petersen seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Committee reports.

A) Audit Report

Jodie Svennes had nothing to add.

B) Grievance

Bob Quickstad expressed concerns brought to him by board members and the general membership. The biggest concern was how to grow our youth program. The perception that each youth must pay \$300 to be a part of

the youth association. The youth membership fee is \$20 plus \$10 per additional youth. The \$300 is an additional sponsorship to be able to go to the World Show, All American Quarter Horse Congress, YES Convention, and Level 1 Championships. The board offered to make the Youth membership a tiered membership to not make it seem like every potential youth must pay \$300 to be a member. Jim Hootman made a motion to appoint a committee to talk to the youth advisor, Becky Johnson, to revise the wording and get everyone on the same page. Debbi Holmes-Stockstill seconded. Kirsten Gonsoir offered to volunteer to be on the committee. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Another concern brought to the board was not having sufficient help at shows. Shows are not able to function properly without volunteers. An idea to make a sign-up sheet for the Brookings show was brought up. It is up to the show committee to determine the best course of action concerning the lack of volunteer help. Kirsten Gonsoir brought the idea of the Mike Clites volunteer award for an outstanding volunteer in honor of Mike Clites.

B) Nominating

Terms expired for 1 year
Shirley Wetz
Penny Peterson
Amy Krueger
Resignation
JoEllen Miller

Director Nominations:

- a. East: Bob Carr
- b. West: BeLynn Johner
- c. Central: Mindy Hubert
- d. At Large: Sheila Prins.

C) Awards

AnneMarie has resigned from the awards committee. It is not a permanent absence, but one for until further notice Jodie Svennes brought up the idea of some way to thank AnneMarie for all of her hard work over the years. Janet Hansen mentioned giving AnneMarie and Carter Johnson an SDQHA life membership. would like to get AnneMarie a life membership (family membership). Sheila Prins said she would take over the year-end awards.

Janet Hansen made a motion to give Annemarie a life membership to SDQHA and award. Penny Peterson seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

D) Points

Janet Hansen spoke about her changes to the policy sheets regarding the many points and classes offered. They are listed below.

1. Membership Requirements

- A. To be eligible for Year-end awards, the exhibitor and all owners listed on the registration papers must be current SDQHA members prior to first earning points. To promote participation, SDQHA will allow 7 days from first show for membership to be received by SDQHA. It is the responsibility of the members to verify receipt by the SDQHA Secretary.

2. Awards offered

- A. SDQHA will offer High Point and Reserve High Points awards in all AQHA classes at approved shows for the following divisions.
Open Level 1
Open Level 3
Amateur Level 1
Amateur Level 3
Amateur Select Level 1

Amateur Select Level 3
Rookie Open
Rookie Amateur
Rookie Select Amateur

- B. VRH Entries will receive High Point and Reserve High Point awards based upon total points earned in each division.
- C. SDQHA will offer All-around and Reserve All-around in all divisions where halter classes are available.
- D. Performance Champion and Reserve Performance Champion will be awarded in divisions where there are none qualified for All-around or Reserve All-around.
- E. SDQHA offers a State Champion. To be a STATE CHAMPION, one must have a minimum of 30 points at halter and 30 points in one performance category, 20 points in the second performance category and 10 points in a third performance category, for a total of 90 points minimum. Points must be earned in one division, such as Open Division or Amateur/Select Amateur Division.

3. General Rules

- A. Open Classes offered in Junior and Senior age groups will be awarded as All Ages. This may be adjusted as entry numbers change.
- B. Horses shown in an aged division halter class at one show and Performance Halter at another show will have their points tabulated for each class separately.
- C. Grand Champion Halter Horse in each division will receive 1 more point than any other horse in that division.
- D. Reserve Champion Halter Horse in each division must receive equal to any other horse in that division.
- E. In Open Divisions, points will be totalled on the horse and may have more than one exhibitor. In all other divisions, points will be on a one horse/one rider basis.
- F. Amateurs eligible for Select Division may have choose to have their points tabulated as Amateur or Select Amateur for the year. They must designate their choice on their membership form.

4. Point Calculations

- 1. For individual classes, points will be awarded to entries according to the number of placings awarded by the AQHA Judge in each class with a maximum of 9 placings. Example: If a judge placed eight horses in a class, state points would be awarded through 8th place.
- 2. Class points will be calculated based on the total number of horses in the class. Example: If there are 12 horses in a class, 1st place would receive 12 points; 2nd place would receive 11 points; etc. through 9th place.
- 3. The horse is required to place in 1/3 of the classes offered for that event and earn a minimum of 10 class points. Example: If Open Western Riding is offered 12 times that year, the horse would have to place 4 times and accrue 10 points to be eligible for High Point or Reserve High Point.
- 4. All-Around and Reserve All-Around awards will be calculated using ALL-AROUND points, with the maximum number of points awarded per class being nine (9), i.e., in a class of more than 9 entries, first place would receive 9 points, second place would receive 8, etc.

A minimum of 10 All-Around points at halter and a minimum of 10 All-Around points in two different categories, as defined in the AQHA Rule Book, is required for an entry to qualify for these awards.

- 5. Upon meeting minimum requirements, the entry accumulating the highest total ALL-AROUND points in all categories will be the ALL-AROUND CHAMPION. The entry accumulating the second highest total will be the Reserve All-Around

6. Regarding All-Around awards in the Select Amateur Division, halter points will be earned in the Amateur classes and performance points in the Amateur and Select Amateur classes. A Select Amateur can enter the corresponding Amateur class and his or her state points will count toward the SDQHA Select Amateur event. The Select Amateur will designate upon his/her membership form in which division he/she is competing for points.
7. High Point and Reserve High Point Performance Horse Awards will be given when qualifications have not been met for the All-Around and Reserve All-Around awards.

A minimum of 10 All-Around points in two different categories as defined in the AQHA Rule Book, is required to qualify for these awards. Halter points are not included.

Upon meeting minimum requirements, the entry accumulating the highest total ALL-AROUND points in all categories will be the High Point Performance Champion. The entry accumulating the second highest total will be the Reserve High Point Performance Champion.

Our competition is open to the world and will follow AQHA rules for horse eligibility except were stated in these policy sheets.

Jim Hootman moved to let Janet Hansen do whatever she wants regarding the points and year end placing since she is the expert regarding the topic. Dean Johnson seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Sportsmanship Award Nominations

Due to the lack of members eligible to receive the sportsmanship award. The board made a motion to only give the sportsmanship award when needed. The board will now ask membership for nominations on the SDQHA website.

Janet Hansen made a motion that we change the policy to not have the sportsmanship award given every year. Make the award optional.

Janet Hansen amended her motion for the sportsmanship award to be given every year but not required. Penny Petersen seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Jodie Svennes recommended Shelby Holmes for the sportsmanship award. Shirley Wetz seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

E) Youth

Since Youth Advisor Becky Johnson was not in attendance, Dean Johnson spoke on her behalf. There are 8 youth members total. Youth have so many things to do, sports, work, school, etc. SDQHYA President Kimberly Johnson resigned from the AQHYA national board. She is now a AQHYA High School Rodeo Ambassador. Youth will not get a membership coming in due to the many pulls tugging on them, need to find something to draw them into the association. Youth Advisor Becky Johnson said the annual meeting will be in three weeks.

F) By Laws.

No comments

Short Recess at 9:55am

Start up again at 10:12

G) Shows/Clinics.

Kristen Gonsoir stated that the brooking's show had good turnout just desperately needs volunteers. A form was put on website for signup to volunteer. Penny Petersen added to ask for help from people coming from other states. Brookings has two bids for show secretaries. Show committee will review and assign a show secretary.

Discussion on the poor conditions of the EXPO building in Sioux falls. Not enough support to show in that show and can't justify paying 4 judges.

Kirsten Gonsoir mentioned continuing with the one-day Aberdeen shows, this was approved by the board.

Brookings offered to host a show in August to offset losing the Sioux falls show, Jodie svennes and the show committee is looking into this proposal.

Old Business

2023 Directory Bids

Jodie Svennes expressed the need for more ads for the directory to make the directory a "in and out" expense to the association. **It is up to the Board of Directors to encourage and gather ads for the directory.** Jodie Svennes will send out a document with pricing. The inside front cover, centerfold, and inside back cover will be auctioned off during the banquet. Companies and people who want ads need to be submitted by **February 1st, 2023.** If Jodie Svennes needs to design an add for the directory, it was brought up to charge the person \$35 an hour for designing. Dean Johnson accepts Jodie Svennes' Bid for directory. Larry Larson seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

2023 SDQHA Secretary/Web Bids

No bid present. Dean Johnson moved to accept Jodie Svennes and Shelby Holmes as secretary and website. Kirsten Gonsoir seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

2023 Show Secretary

Show committee will handle. Two bids for now. One from ND and Sheila Schelske. Mike Clites was show manager for many years but with his passing we will need to fill that position. This position needs to be someone on the SDQHA board of directors. Dean Johnson moved to have the show committee handle the show secretary and manager. Penny Petersen seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

2023 Points Secretary

Marcia Hendericksen, Jodie Svennes, and Janet Hansen will work on a new program to make the process of counting points and determining year end awards a smoother process. Janet moved to accept the bid for points secretary. Dean Johnson seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

New Business

2022 Youth Report

No comments

2022 Tax/Insurance

Jodie Svennes and Wendy will do taxes. Jodie Svennes will fill also out applications for insurance.

2024 Membership dues

Due to surrounding affiliates raising their membership fees, it was decided to raise the membership fees for SDQHA starting 2024. Janet Hansen motioned for \$45 membership fee. Kirsten Gonsoir seconded. Jim Hootman and Dean Johnson said no.

Janet amended her motion for \$50 for 2024. Kirsten Gonsoir seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

2023 Budget

Dean Johnson moves to approve the budget with the slight changes made by Jodie Svenes. Shirley Wetz seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Janet Hansen will donate her projector to the association

2023 Show Dates

Presented on the SDQHA website.

2023 Annual Meeting Location

Dean Johnson moved to meet in Pierre for 2024. Larry Larson seconded. Unanimous approval was made by the board.

Meeting Recess

Recess for annual meeting at 12:00pm

After General Meeting

Kirsten Gonsoir makes a motion to reaffirm our affiliate agreement. Janet Hansen seconded. Unanimous approval by the board.

Jim Hootman made a motion to confirm the status of National directors. Larry Larson seconded. Unanimous approval by the board.