

October 31, 2009 SDQHA Board of Director's Meeting

Ramkota of Pierre, SD 8:00 AM

SDQHA President Dean Johnson called the meeting to order. SDQHA Board of Directors and officers present included President Dean Johnson, Vice-President Janet Hansen, Youth Representative Tiffany Lesmeister, Jo Walder, Karen Horn, Tim Scott, and National Directors Larry Larson, Georga Sutton, Mike Clites, and Jim Hootman. President Johnson reported that all absent directors had contacted him and were excused due to illness or family illness.

Secretary/Treasurer Kristen Gonsoir brought the April Board of Director's meeting minutes and the special June Board of Director's meeting minutes to the table for approval in a form of a motion. The minutes of the regular April meeting were posted on www.sdqha.com and published in the Wrangler. Janet Hansen seconded the approval and the motion passed.

The current financial report was brought to the table for approval by Treasurer Kristen Gonsoir. Mike Clites seconded the motion for approval and the motion passed.

The next items on the agenda were reports from the various SDQHA Committees.

SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT- Jim Hootman Chair

Region 2- Jo Walder presented the Region 2 report to the board. The 2009 Region 2 was held in Rapid City in September and had 1380 entries. The 2010 Region 2 is scheduled for September 22-26, 2010 in Rapid City. January 1, 2010 is the targeted date for having the 2010 website online. Sponsorships for the 2010 event will again be needed and the Region 2 committee would also like to thank all that sponsored the 2009 Region 2.

April Sioux Falls Shows- Jim Hootman then reported for Dr. RM Christensen regarding the Sioux Falls April shows. The 2010 Sioux Falls Shows will be held April 8,9,10,11, 2010. Janet Hansen moved the SDQHA again serve as a co-sponsor for this event allowing SDQHA to include the event on the SDQHA insurance. Larry Larson seconded this motion and the motion passed. Janet Hansen will be in contact with Shawn Jaacks and Dr. RM Christensen regarding SDQHA involvement with the show.

SDQHA Summer Shootout- Jim Hootman then presented a report to the board regarding the SDQHA sponsored Summer Shootout held in Brookings in June. In an email vote the SDQHA board of directors already moved to host the 2010 Summer Shootout in Brookings June 15-19, 2010. The 2009 Summer Shootout reported a positive revenue gain. SDQHA would like to thank all involved in helping to make the 2009 Summer Shootout a success especially the following: Dean Johnson- NRHA event, and Novice Show Clinic; Mike Clites- grounds, Swiffel Center coordination, grounds

equipment, Brookings Convention Center contact, motel rooms; Roger Wilson- grounds, stalls, arena preparation, trail, vendor set up, poles and barrels set up, cattle set up; Audra Wilson- announcer, pictures, video; Gage Wilson- stalls and bedding; Kylie Jo Wilson- stalls and bedding; Janet Hansen- announcer, NRHA event, ring steward; Karen Horn- ring steward; Rhonda Nussbaum- cattle; Shawn Jaacks- cattle; Kristen Gonsoir- Sponsors; Rhonda Loges- hospitality and cookout; Paul Martens- security; Connie Henrichs of White Horse Show management- show secretary; Jim Hootman- show manager. SDQHA would also like to thank all who donated sponsorships and those who worked to obtain those sponsorships.

Discussion was then held regarding the 2010 Summer Shootout. June 15, 2010 will again be a special event roping and all-novice show. June 16-17, 2010 will be a split combined show and June 18-19, 2010 will be split combined show. Jim Hootman has again volunteered to serve as the head of the committee for the Summer Shootout. Karen Horn has volunteered to serve as ring steward chair person. It was decided to check into having 5 judges for the roping events. Paul Marten's will again be contacted to see if he will do security again. Dean Johnson volunteered to give the novice clinic.

Jim Hootman reported that AQHA members have until December 31, 2009 to contact AQHA in writing for any rule changes they would like to see. The 2010 AQHA Convention will be March 5-8 in Kissimmee, Fl. Please see www.aqha.com for more information on rule change proposals or the 2010 Convention.

Doug Haul Clinic- Dean Johnson reported on a request by CONQHA President Patty Brunner regarding assistance in hosting a Clinic by Doug Haul sometime in May, 2010 in Rapid City. The board requested more information regarding this clinic. Dean Johnson will contact CONQHA and gather more information for the board of directors and present it via email.

Black Hills Stock Show- Discussion was then held regarding how to convince the BHSS to seek SDQHA approval for the January AQHA show. Janet Hansen will contact Jill Swanhorst with the BHSS to try to help getting this show SDQHA approved.

2009 AIM FOLLOW UP COMMITTEE- Dean Johnson Chair

Introductory Show AIM follow up- No shows applied for assistance from SDQHA in 2009. One show that was planning to was canceled due to rain. Janet Hansen moved to continue in 2010 with open show/introductory show sponsorship either in the form of one day insurance assistance or general financial assistance for the Black Hills Open show circuit or any other show associations on a case by case basis to a max of \$250 per show. This motion was seconded by Georga Sutton and passed.

AQHA VRH AIM follow up- This area was tabled for discussion at a later date. SDQHA would like to piggy back and event with an existing event. Janet Hansen will talk with Don Ulmer regarding existing VRH competitions.

AMATEUR COMMITTEE- Amy Goembel Chair

Amateur Committee chair, Amy Goembel, sent a report to Dean Johnson that was read. One amateur has requested support for the AQHA World Show, however, since the availability of assistance had not been advertised and the Select World Show was already it past, it was decided to not consider the request. Janet Hansen moved that the current amateur committee funds be paid out to the amateur award winners over the next two years and that the additional amateur sponsorship be eliminated. Karen Horn seconded this motion and the motion passed.

In addition to Amy Goembel's amateur committee report, she also submitted a letter of resignation to the SDQHA board of directors. Janet Hansen moved to accept Amy Goembel's resignation effective as of the annual meeting. Georga Sutton seconded the motion and the motion passed.

AWARDS COMMITTEE-

Janet Hanson moved that the policy sheet page 3, Awards Section, Number 5 be amended to read, "Any time that an event has been offered throughout the year as a junior and senior class, the end of the year awards will be given as junior and senior horses. " Penny Peterson seconded this motion and the motion passed.

Kristen Gonsoir presented the board of directors with the awards budget. \$3442.00 was/will be received in fifty cent fees and the 2009 auction generated \$2123.50 giving a total awards budget of \$5565.50.

A 2010 awards committee has been formed of Karen Horn, Georga Sutton, Penny Peterson, and Kristen Gonsoir. Janet Hanson moved that the awards committee be given the power to allocate awards monies as necessary to stay within budget. Mike Clites seconded this motion and the motion passed.

2009 BANQUET COMMITTEE- Karen Horn and Dean Johnson

The 2009 SDQHA Annual Meeting and Banquet will be held January 16, 2010 at the Cedar Shores in Chamberlain, SD. The following schedule was created: Friday, January 15, 2010 at 8:00 PM Board of Director's meeting; January 16, 2010 8:00 AM- noon Board of Director's meeting continues; 11-1:30 SDQHYA youth meeting with pizza provided; 2:00 SDQHA Annual General Membership Meeting; 5:30-6:30 Social Hour; 6:30 PM Banquet Meal. Banquet prices were also set: With an RSVP and payment by January 1, 2010 \$22 for each adult, \$14 for each child; tickets after January 1, 2010 \$27 for each adults, \$19 for each child.

TRAIL RIDE 2009-

Dean Johnson reported on the ride held at Hay Creek Ranch in the Black Hills. There were 32 South Dakota Riders on the ride. The Hay Creek Ranch is interested in hosting the ride again in 2010. SDQHA will, however, suggest a different weekend for the ride as this year's ride was scheduled the same weekend as the Region 2 Experience. Brad Hauge had also contacted the board of directors to ask how he should transfer the SDQHA ride account. Larry Larson moved that Brad Hauge be asked to close the account and send the remaining balance to the SDQHA Treasurer who should then put \$5000 into a Certificate of Deposit and the rest into a saving account. Jo Waldner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

YOUTH COMMITTEE- Tiffany Lesmeister and Linda Johnson

Dean Johnson read to the board of directors an apology letter from a youth member.

OLD BUSINESS-

Discussion was held regarding different promotional activities from 2009. Janet Hansen read a thank you and a correspondence from the race that SDQHA sponsored. Secretary Kristen Gonsoir also circulated thank you letters from various activities that SDQHA sponsored. Penny Peterson moved that SDQHA should only have a breed booth which is provided free of charge for the 2010 Horse Fair in Sioux Falls. Janet Hansen seconded the motion and the motion passed. Janet Hansen moved that SDQHA donate \$120 to the 4-H State Horse Show in 2010. Penny Peterson seconded this motion and the motion passed. Janet Hansen moved that SDQHA provide a \$100 sponsorship for the horsemanship award at the Miss Rodeo South Dakota Pageant. Penny Peterson seconded this motion and the motion passed. Janet Hansen moved that SDQHA not sponsor the SDRCHA in 2010. Mike Clites seconded the motion and the motion passed. Janet Hansen moved that SDQHA sponsor the SD 4-H Ambassador's program again in 2010. Karen Horn seconded the motion and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Kristen Gonsoir then reported that SDQHA collected and donated \$210 to the "Dually Fund". A thank you from Wendy Halweg was circulated. Georga Sutton moved that the SDQHA secretary send a letter on behalf of SDQHA to Governor Rounds and Stanley County State's Attorney Tom, Maher, Jr indicating SDQHA's support of the action taken thus far in the "Dually" case. Penny Peterson seconded this motion and the motion passed.

Dean Johnson then conveyed a request from Kirk Ford regarding SDQHA's sponsorship of the SD Rodeo Horse of the Year. No motion was made regarding this request.

Next item on the agenda was the completion of the 2009 AIM Follow up plan. Janet Hansen volunteered to complete the 2009 AIM follow up.

The 2010 AIM plan was discussed. SDQHA strengths, weaknesses, and goals were identified and discussed. Tiffany Lesmeister volunteered to work on writing the portion of the AIM plan regarding 4-H and education. Dean Johnson will contact board members not present at this meeting to see about having them help complete the 2010 AIM plan. The AIM Plan is due to AQHA by early January 2010.

The only bid received for the 2009-2010 Directory was shared with the board of directors. Linda Johnson submitted a bid with the following stipulations: each SDQHA page will cost SDQHA \$35/page and will be limited to 15. Other pages will cost one page full color members \$275, nonmembers \$300; one page black and white members \$150, nonmembers \$175. Other rates are available for partial pages too. SDQHA will also not retain the rights to the inside cover, inside back cover, middle, and back cover as these are premium spaces to sell. Karen Horn moved to give the bid to Linda Johnson and Larry Larson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Terry Scott submitted a bid for the 2010 secretary position with the same conditions as 2009; \$600 plus printing expenses. Larry Larson moved to accept this bid and Mike Clites seconded the motion. Motion passed.

All-tech sponsor of the FEI World Equestrian games contacted Dean Johnson about buying the SDQHA membership list. Janet moved to appoint Jim Hootman to contact All-tech and provide our SDQHA membership to All-tech for no fee. Karen Horn seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The SDQHA board of director's would like to congratulate Dean Johnson who was recently voted as the SDQHA Affiliate MVP. In order to provide consistency with the MVP vote Janet Hansen moved to add this to the third page of the policy sheet below the Directory section and label this section as SDQHA Affiliate MVP- "In voting for the MVP, each youth SDQHYA membership, individual SDQHA membership, and SDQHA business membership shall have one vote. Each family SDQHA membership shall have 1 or 2 votes dependant on the membership status." Tim Scott seconded this motion and the motion passed.

The last item on the agenda was the approval of the AQHA Affiliate agreement. Janet Hansen moved that SDQHA renew the AQHA Affiliation Agreement for 2010. Karen Horn seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Janet Hansen moved to adjourn the meeting. Karen Horn seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Gonsoir, SDQHA Secretary/Treasurer

Correspondences from the following were circulated:

1. Thank you from Lew for SDQHA's sponsorship of the SDRCHA futurity
2. Thank you from Kristina Maddocks for sponsorship of the 4-H Ambassador's program
3. Thank you from Wendy Halweg and Dually
4. Thank you from Kate McCoy for the sponsorship and hosting of the Brookings All-Novice show- she was the 13 and under all-around
5. Thank you from the Brookings Area Food Pantry for our donations collected at the Summer Shootout
6. Thank you from Ft.Pierre Chamber of Commerce for our support of a QH race at the Ft. Pierre races