

AHBAO Board Meeting – November 11, 2013

President Sue Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30. Board members in attendance: Sue Thompson, Karla Moffit, Haley Vachter, Mary Jane Brown and Greg Hager. Guests, Kay Herbst, Joe Gradin, Nancy Gradin and Brandi Ebner. Shelley Jones, Connie Chapman, Norie Phelps and Barb Garcia were unable to attend.

Greg moved to approve the **Minutes** from the June 3, 2013 meeting. Mary Jane second. Passed.

Joe presented a current **Treasurer's Report**, along with a proposed December 1, 2013/November 30, 2014 Budget. The final budget will be approved at the January meeting.

2014 Spring Show Report – Sue will make contact with Major and Diane of Oregon Horse Center. The club wants to be assured the correct wording was used in obtaining USEF and AHA approvals. Will again be a concurrent show. Region 4 and Region 3 qualifying show. The club would like to be involved with the selection of the judges. Mary Jane would like to help with the show schedule. It was agreed the schedule needs to have a few changes to accommodate the exhibitors.

2014 Fall Show Report – Kay has sent in the approvals for OFA and PHA. The contract for the facility has been signed. Karla was asked to make contact with a possible judge. Karla moved to change the name of the show to **AHBAO Fall Open Show**. Haley second. Passed. The wording “Open to All Breeds” will be added to the show flyer. Need donated ribbons for 1st and 2nd place. All donated ribbons will be used. Show date – Saturday September 6th, McMinnville.

AHBAO Futurity Report – No report. Discussion followed regarding awards. If there are classes for two year olds and yearlings, this needs to be taken into consideration when obtaining the awards for the Futurity Classes. Shelley will be asked to create wording for an E-Mail blast promoting and reminding everyone about the club's futurity. ***This email blast needs to be sent to Mary Jane by November 30, so it will be included in the AHA Email Blast that goes out the first week of each month to all members of the Arabian Horse Association.***

AHBAO Scholarship Report –No action at this time. ***Connie will be asked if she could create an informational paragraph regarding the club's scholarship. Again this needs to be sent to Mary Jane by November 30.***

Membership Report – This report was not part of the agenda, but added later. 75 members.

AHBAO Winter Party – Haley volunteered to contact Norie to see if we could have this event at her home. The date of Saturday, January 4, 2014 was selected, with January 11th at an

alternative. It was agreed to have the board meeting at 3 PM and the Winter Party start at 4 PM. This meeting will be short. New board members, election of officers, etc. **Watch our club web site and Facebook page for final information.**

AHA Convention Resolutions – Two were discussed. One regarding Amateurs the other regarding the dues increase. The board would like both to pass.

Old Business – None

New Business – A Memorial Trophy for Carolyn Sheppard Burdick was proposed. Carolyn was a long time active member of AHBAO until her move to Central Oregon. Mary Jane made a motion that our Spring Classic show add a special class for the awarding of a Carolyn Sheppard Burdick Memorial Trophy. The class will be a “Supreme Champion Halter” and made up of all Halter Champions from the Arabian classes. All judges will adjudicate using comparative judging. Greg seconded. Passed. A silver tea set will be the award for the 2014 show and the club will pay for the engraving.

With no further business at this time the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted, Kay Herbst for Barb Garcia

At this time our guest Brandi Ebner, representing Oregon Horse Country, made an informative presentation.

We were made aware that Oregon Horse Country is like a state-wide EQUESTRIAN Chamber of Commerce. They focus on enhancing the economic vitality for the equestrian related business and events throughout Oregon. They are a voice for the Equestrian Industry, thru promotion of Equestrian Tourism, Provide Business Newtworking, Equine & Business Education, and Marketing. They soon will be publishing an Oregon Equine Directory. A listing will be free for non-members. Just go to their Web Site for information. www.OregonHorseCountry.com. They have 5 levels of memberships. They invite everyone to get involved.

Everyone agreed this was a very interesting guest speaker with an interesting subject.