

AHBAO BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 30, 2012 – Capital Concrete, Aumsville, OR

The meeting was called to order at 5 PM by President Barb Garcia. Board members present: Mary Jane Brown, Norie Phelps, Karla Moffitt, Sue Thompson, Greg Hager and Connie Chapman. Unable to attend: Haley Vachter and Shelley Jones. Treasure Joe Gradin and Secretary Kay Herbst were in attendance.

Minutes from the January 7th meeting were approved. Motion by Norie, 2nd by Mary Jane.

Treasurer's Report – Joe handed out an Income and Expense sheet, 11/30/11 thru 4/30/12, which showed a small profit as a result of membership dues and the AHBAO 65th Annual Show. This report was approved. Motion by Mary Jane, 2nd by Karla.

No current **correspondence**, other than the inquiries from the AHBAO web site. Most of these inquiries deal with registration questions and they are referred to the Arabian Horse Association for correct answers.

Committee Reports:

Futurity: A discussion was held regarding ways to increase the prize money awarded to the horses entered. The entry fees to the futurity have not changed in many years and it was suggested to consider an increase. Sue T. will talk with other futurity horse owners to see what they think about raising funds. Shelley was not in attendance, so the subject of raising fees will have to be considered at a later meeting.

Scholarship: Connie reported there were no entries for the 2012 \$500 Academic Scholarship. It was brought up by a board member that their granddaughter did submit an application. Connie said it was not received. This will be investigated to see if it was lost in the mail.

Membership: Kay reported membership is slowly improving, as the numbers are up from the beginning of the year.

Web Site/Facebook: The club's new web site is up and running. It has all the forms and information for all activities within the club and region. The new Web Master has done a great job in making it more attractive. We now have the ability to have different member's photos on the web site. So far we have show wins, trail rides and new foals. The Facebook page "likes" have increased. The week after the Albany Expo we had 113 new "likes", as a result of a one page flyer we handed out.

Fall Open Schooling Show: Barb reported all is going well. The entry fees, per class and all day, were set, as well as a small office fee. The class list is complete, a judge hired, we have enough ribbons for the classes. The 6 High Point awards will be purchased. It was suggested we consider bridle bags. Class awards will be donated by Sue Thompson and Karla Moffitt.

2013 – 66th Annual Spring Classic: The 2013 show will once again be held at the Oregon Horse Center, with them as the management. Some of the ideas that are being considered are going to a 4 day show with the possibility of having a concurrent show. The class schedule for a 4 day show will be similar to what the Oregon Horse Center uses for their Rally in the Valley show. A motion was made by Karla, 2nd by Connie to work with the Oregon Horse Center. Approved.

Old Business – A site for the **Winter Party** was brought up. Norie volunteered her home once again. More information about date and time will follow.

New Business- None

Next Meeting will be scheduled later.

Respectively submitted: Kay Herbst, Secretary