

AHAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 11, 2011

Attendance: President -Ann Knoop; Vice-President-Linda Corich; Treasurer-Ron Gekiere; Secretary-Judy Zumbach; Sue Tuck; Betty Horst; Chelsea Knoop; Cheryl Sepulveda; Suzy Hall; Paul Diedrich; Tom Connelly

Absent: Chad Roberts; Laura Brodzik;

Introduction of Guests & Guest Comments: Jennifer Tuck; Elizabeth Corich; Barb Connelly

Additions to Agenda: None at this time

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were passed out and reviewed. Linda Corich made a motion to approve the minutes; 2nd by Ron Gekiere. Motion passed

Correspondence: Sue Tuck provided gift cards for the August show from Cracker Barrel. These will be given out at the show. Freddy Gosling formerly of Michigan had a devastating barn fire where he lost 14 of his show horses. Chelsea Knoop suggested we do a silent auction at the show for Fred Gosling. Linda Corich made a motion to do the silent auction for the Horseman's Distress Fund in the name of Fred Gosling; 2nd by Betty Horst. Motion passed. Also all Board Members should donate an item for the auction.

A second motion was made by Paul Diedrich to have all proceeds go to the Horseman's Distress Fund plus a donation of an additional \$500 from AHAM. 2nd by Ron Gekiere. Motion passed

Membership Report: Judy Zumbach indicated that we currently have 225 adult members. This is up by 2 members from May but was down by 3 youth members. Judy asked for suggestions on emails to be sent out to members and individuals who signed up for email notification. Suggestions came from Chelsea Knoop were items discussed at the board meetings; results of the August show; upcoming events.

Treasurers Report: Ron Gekiere reported as of today checking was \$26,790.45 in additional \$10,450 was in our CD for a total of \$37,240. Ron also indicated that our new credit card machine didn't work. Another machine was sent to Ron and he just finished putting all credit cards through for the May show. Motion to accept Treasurer's report was made by Chelsea Knoop; 2nd by Betty Horst. Motion passed

Dressage/Sport Horse Report: - Judy Zumbach Dressage will be having a clinic at the August show. This will be a "Do-Over" clinic and people will be able to sign up at the show.

2011 August Show: Ron reported that 320 stalls have been sold for both clubs. All officials have been hired. There will be a hot dog roast on Thursday at 5:30. Five classes have been added to the show; 3 halter classes for Arab's and 2 for Morgan's. Classes must be posted on our website and posted at the show office. Sue Tuck and Cheryl S. will be camper police again this year. USEF and USDF are fining us for a date change and a name change. USEF is fining us as they did not receive the program within the 30 days.

Paul suggested that we combine with the Arab Futurity. Discussion needs to take place on what we will be doing with our August show for next year.

Website/Facebook: Chelsea will be adding new items to our webpage and to Facebook.

Marketing Report – Chelsea Knoop – Chelsea reported the same information as above.

Futurity: Paul Diedrich requested an annual sponsorship for the Futurity from AHAM. Historically we have donated to the Futurity. Ron made a motion to match last year's donation; Betty Horst 2nd the motion. Motion passed to donate \$200 to the Futurity

Board Comments: Ann reminded everyone that our Annual meeting is fast approaching. Committees need to move on their tasks. Review the by-laws and be ready to discuss any changes at our September meeting. Paul had a comment regarding the possibility of a scholarship fund for our youth. Ron indicated that someone had to head it up and run it annually. Morgan club has a "model" scholarship program that we could duplicate if someone was willing to head it up. Chelsea is willing to meet with Sue Hall of the Justin Morgan club next week to discuss.

Tom Connelly expressed condolences to Judy Zumbach over the loss of her horse. Tom also expressed how debonair and handsome Ron looked at Region 11 as he was in a tuxedo.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Betty Horst; 2nd by Cheryl Sepulveda. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.