

The March meeting of the NYSQHA was called to order at 6:10p.m. By President Diane Tetlak

Members present: Diane Tetlak, Heather DeLucia, MaryAnne Dronchi, Amy Bubniak, Beckie Thomas, Dee Hartman, Skip Hartman, Kim LaFlair, Sandy Emanuel and Bruce Cater.

Absent: Sandra Wilkes, Cathy Elderkin

Heather DeLucia read the January minutes,

Corrections: the discussion for stall fees is for the five day show and only the Sarah Roberts trophy is a youth trophy.

Additions: Rick Garber will donate additional \$50 to make an even amount.

Heather made a motion to accept the secretaries report with corrections, Sandy Emanuel seconded the motion, vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Maryanne read the treasurers report. Diane questioned the total on the stallion service sale for 2008. The report reads \$1856.66 and should read \$3026.00. A discussion followed and was decided that Information submitted for stallion service sale is confusing and should be eliminated until corrections are made. Maryanne will look into what money was taken in and make corrections. A discussion also followed on how money for futurities is disbursed. Diane will send Maryanne the information she has for the futurities so she can make corrections on treasurer's report. Sandy asked for clarification on monies owed and monies left on futurity section of treasurer's report. Also, brought up was the fees still not accounted for such as AQHA and APHA registration fees, Fairgrounds fee and insurance? Diane asked if there were any other questions or concerns on the treasurer's report. MaryAnne questioned whether to take the mailings for things such as the stallion booklet out of the auction monies instead of clubs account. It was agreed it should be taken out of the stallion auction account so Maryanne will correct that.

Barbara stated that she will get donations and didn't specify for futurities.

Sandy questioned a double charge on the Holiday Express bill. Sandy will call Holiday Express and find out why there was a double charge. Skip Hartman made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Kim seconded the motion. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried. Dee thanked Maryanne for mailing the treasures report.

Communications: Diane gave Maryanne a thank you card from Rebecca Pirger for donating the season stall for the youth auction.

Diane read email from Crystal stating she did not owe the club any money for any ads placed while she was newsletter editor and as far as the complaints on her note in the last newsletter

she sent out she has received many kujos herself. A discussion followed. Heather made a motion to send Crystal a bill for ad placed on the back cover in the Nov/Dec newsletter. Skip was the second. Vote taken Heather, Bruce, Sandy, Skip, Dee, Beckie and Kim fore, MaryAnne opposed, Amy abstained. Motion carried.

Diane read an email that Dee received from Cathy requesting that Jeff Elthorp provide receipts showing he paid the \$1500.00 he owed the club.

Maryanne received an email from Deana Ross saying that Cathy Domiano's husband passed away and wasn't sure if they still were members. Maryann sent a sympathy card out to Cathy.

Maryann also received a phone call from Joanne from SteednRead magazine out of Mass wanting to know if the club wanted to do any advertizing and they have an upcoming free events page for our show dates. Maryanne will send her the information.

Committees:

Amateur: Kim Laflair reported that \$305 was collected from the basket of cheer raffle and made \$38 from the clock that Diane donated at the banquet. Also, Kim suggested that we hire the DJ that we had at the banquet for our wine and cheese party at the five day show.

Diane asked if the club wanted to raffle off something again this year like the bistro set last year, Tractor supply has nice swings and benches for about \$197.00. A discussion followed. Skip and Heather will look into possibly getting something donated.

Banquet; previously reported by Sandy in treasurers report.

Futurities (closed): So far \$1050.00 is collected for 2 stallions. Diane expressed concerned, with the lack of stallion services sold, if we don't get more soon may have to dissolve the auction, depending on what is going to happen with our economy. Diane suggested any board members to encourage anyone they know that's considering breeding their mare to go through the stallion service sale.

Futurities (open): Dee didn't know what dates were to advertise (September 11-13) A discussion was brought up to post on website to try to get the word out. Dee asked if there were any classes that needed to be added or changed. Entries are light and asked if deadline was to the same as last year. (Morning of show).

Maryanne brought up that NSBA rules state that 2yr olds cannot be shown before July 1st and we have classes in our May show. It was decided to add a note saying NSBA rules will be followed for judging. Diane asked if the board wanted to add hunter and western for the 2 yr old long line.

Bruce made a motion we ad 2yr old hunter and 2yr old western longeline, and that we change the dates to September 11-13(3 single days). Skip seconded the motion; vote was taken, all in favor motion carried. Dee will make corrections to rules and dates and send copies to Diane and Kathy. Heather reported that the closed rules are correct.

GOOD WILL: Dee suggested we send Cathy Elderkin a card get well or thinking if you.

Memberships: Maryanne reported we have 61 members on mailing list as of Feb20, and will send an updated list on Monday.

Newsletter: Diane explained that there was some confusion on the newsletter for February and the next one will be out last week of April. Diane asked Kathy to put ad rates for the directory booklet in the newsletter.

Bruce made a motion to change our directory 2008/2009 to 2009, 2010, 2011 and will be handed out at our five day show. Beckie seconded the motion, vote taken, all in favor, carried.

Maryanne suggested a notice be put on the website stating people get their membership paid or their going to miss getting names put in the directory. Sandy suggested putting a notice for people wanting to put ads in the directory to get their ads in soon Rates are on back cover. ½ pages \$35 and business cards \$20.

Heather read an email from Susan McPherson Winters regarding newsletter that she does for western New York quarter Horse club. How we can save on costs.

Heather motioned us start sending our newsletter via email to those email addresses that we have and put a note in the next newsletter to those who would like to receive newsletter via email to send us their email address. Sandy seconded vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

POINTS Heather reported she received 2 emails one from Brittany Francis' mom wanting to know if she got an award for youth barrels and poles Heather sent email back saying she didn't meet the number of shows to qualify, the other from Jean Haltalsky requesting what her points were from NYSQHA she also didn't meet the amount of shows to qualify.

Diane showed the board samples of sheets from Greeneville County Horseshoe Supply. Nylon sheet \$20, plus \$10 for embroidering or \$5 for just lettering. Cotton sheet for \$17.50 and fly sheet w/neck wrap is 23and21withoutwrap. awards for our five day show we have 21red coolers left over from last year with NYSQHA Liberty Circuit embroidered on them along with plaques. A discussion followed on different types of awards to give out. Heather and Sandy will check into the cost of thermal mugs and save the coolers for all around awards. There are 30 all around awards, 5are small fry awards. Sandy suggested we use the red coolers and plaques we have. Using the plaques for the small fry awards and the red coolers for the hi point awards

leaving only four to be ordered. Heather will check into ordering boxed fans for all around awards. Beckie suggested box fans w/our logo on a decal in the center. Beckie we check into the cost of having decals made up.

QUEEN Beckie had no new reports but introduced Nicole Kirsetter as candidate for queen. Nicole gave a short speech on her background and accomplishments. Beckie as the only queen committee member present would like to have Nicole represent us. Diane asked if the board was in agreement. Vote was taken, all in favor for Nicole Kirsetter being this year's NYSQHA Queen. Kathy will put write up in newsletter w/Nicole's picture and it will also be put on the web. The board welcomed Nicole as queen. Nicole asked as part of the contest she has to submit an entry fee of \$250 and wanted to know if she covered it or would it be covered. Also, asked about advertising. Diane said for Nicole to find out more what the cost would be. Being entry form doesn't have to be in until August we will hash out what we want to do. And whats involved. Beckie suggests we can do fundraisers at our shows.

RULES AND BYLAWS Diane brought for boards consideration to raise our membership fees by \$5 for next year. As it won't take effect until next year. Diane suggested we could split the youth membership fee because mother club pays for awards and Beckie feels to give the mother club the whole fee because they do pay for the awards.

Heather will write up a membership increase list to submit for next year's bylaw change. Sandy brought up eliminating the late fee for new membership. Heather will add to the membership form new members are to be exempt from late fee.

SCHOLORSHIPS none applied yet. Amy will send form to website.

STABLING Bruce asked who bought stalls at the banquet. Alice Witherel and Kathy Powers . Other than that just a couple individual shows reserved. Deadline for season stalls is April 1st to be paid by May 1st.

PROMOTIONS and Barbara Sullivan reported that Rick Garber did agree to the additional \$50. So far she has collected \$15.15 from Nutrena labels. And reminded everyone that Triple Crown does the same. Also she is looking into the Doradey foundation for sponsorship and will send for application. Heather also said Walgreens might do sponsorships. Heather or Kathy will send a note to Nadine about members collecting coupons off back of Nutrena and Triple Crown bags and send them to Barbara. (Proof of Purchase). Diane said for any one out and about to try to get

SHOWS Bruce reported hat we will have the sanctioned 3D barrels again for our July 3day (on Sunday) and (on last day) of the futurity shows. Added money will come out of the entry fee.

We don't have to put out any money it all comes out of the pot. There will be two classes open and youth. Maryanne asked if we get the timer fee. Bruce is not sure.

Diane asked if Kim Emanuel had show bills done. Kim will not be able to do our September show. Sandy said she would with same guidelines as Kim. But she'll need help on Friday.

Bruce will have our 4in 1(drag) fixed. The fair board will pay \$200 of the \$600 bill. Bruce made a motion to pay the \$400 to get the 4 in 1 fixed. Heather was the second to the motion .vote taken, all in favor carried.

Heather read an email from Mystical Photography inquiring about doing our August show. Bryan Nigro will do our 5 day and possibly futurity show. .

Sandy made a motion to have Amy contact mystical photography for our may show and confirm August show. Kim seconded .vote taken. All in favor motion carried.

Heather also read email Rita Gambino on Kentucky bred Barrel and pole request Bruce expressed his theory and getting a smaller piece of the pie and not knowing whether anyone will show up after paying for programs ect. Discussion followed

Diane questioned whether we want to split our jr. and sr. barrels. Vote taken. Opposed.

Sandy reported concerning the fair board contracts .Its stated that the village wants to charge the fairgrounds for water as of April1st so on the contract it will show that if the fairgrounds gets charged for water the event will get charged for water.

Also, on the indoor arena there is \$115,000 in pledges so the plan is to start the indoor the end of September of 2009 as long as they make it to \$150,000. So they need another \$45,000 before they accept the plan.

Another email was read by Heather from Robyn Stultz about having a casual day show. Discussion followed.

TRAIL form is out

YOUTH Beckie reported the youth had 11 members attend the meeting they turned in the Gertrude Hawk candy order, the candy should be in for April meeting. Beckie asked the board if she could have Nicole Kersetter as a co advisor for the youth. The auction took in \$1188.00. They are preparing for the Food booth fundraiser.

She received one letter of intent so far youth voted to give the mother club \$300. From loan we gave those years ago.

Beckie also expressed concern with not having enough youth members needed for the shavings for the July and August shows and will consider giving to the amateurs for fundraiser.

Discussion followed. They also discussed community service projects. The next fundraiser is to raise money for the covered arena they are collecting bottles and cans and another thing they want to have some evening before one of the shows is to have Brooks BBQ come in and they give the kids usually if they sell 400 halves the kids would make \$700.00 open to the public with kids profit going to the covered arena. Unfortunately not available but will contact Claude Ray to see if he would be willing to do it. A discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS –none

NEW BUSINESS Diane brought up that Crystal Nalley has missed 4 meetings in a row and our bylaws state if you miss 3 meetings in a row you will be replaced and asked the board to consider Barbara Sullivan to be Crystal's replacement for 1 year, as she had the next highest votes in last year election.

Diane appointed Barbara Sullivan to fill Crystal's position on the board. Vote taken, all in favor, carried.

Skip Hartman brought up what the board was going to do about the stallion service auction. A discussion followed and everyone is to think about it and come up with suggestions on what to do if more stallions aren't sold.

Next Meeting April 4, at 6:00p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Skip, Heather seconded. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Amy Bubniak