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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2011

Roll call was taken at 7:05 p.m. when the meeting was called to order by Gene Allen. The following people were present: Gene Allen, Joe Glassford, Cheryl LaMaster, Brian Jallas, Kandi Lane, Jeff Greaves, LeaAnn Koch, Barb Gibson, Lori Jallas, John Boxell, Chris Arentsen, Pat Fewell for Jake Lane, and Tammy Rogers. Present by phone were Ken Freeman, Nancy Allen, Debbie Loftus, Alyssa Freeman, and Heidi Coop. Directors were reminded to provide Cheryl with the name of their alternate.

Minutes & treasurer's report: Cheryl LaMaster presented 2 sets of minutes from the convention. John Boxell made a motion to accept the minutes. LeaAnn Koch seconded the motion which passed. Brian Jallas went over the financials for this year so far. Our costs are much higher than our income at this point. One suggestion that was discussed was to explore charging life members for the Yearling. Other ideas will be explored. Our costs have risen in the past few years but our income is not keeping up. The finance committee will have a meeting at the spring show to look at ideas. John Boxell made a motion to accept Brian's report. Joe Glassford seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Recreational ride report: There were 3 tables of recreational riding members at the convention. Most of the year end award winners attended. Members were present at the Horse Fair, where several new members were signed up. This year's trail ride will be Sept. 23-25 at Big River State Forest. The permits, trail bosses & vet are already lined up. They are working with Indiana, Iowa & Wisconsin trail ride people to post each other's rides on our websites and in our publicity.

Race report: There will be about 26 races at Fairmount Park this year, with good size purses. The association will get a percentage of the betting money to go for purses for races. Membership money from 2010 for those who joined both the race and the main association will go to the race account, as in the past (\$15 x 62 memberships = \$930). Money collected by the race group for 2011 memberships will be sent to the general account (\$1740). Race members sent Gene Allen worker's comp. money and membership money together, so membership money had to be moved back to the general account.

Affiliate agreement for Regional show: The affiliate agreement wording was included in the board packet for information only since a motion to sign the agreement was passed at the last meeting.

Committee reports:

Queen: There are 4 candidates for queen this year. The competition to choose our association queen will include an oral but not a riding competition. We will add a riding competition next year. There will be 3 judges. The general fund will contribute \$500 to the queen's fund raising campaign. Further fund raising will be at the spring shows. Several race trainers will donate money from their winnings from this year. It is planned to crown our queen at spring show. As clarification concerning money for the queen's campaign, the January minutes mentioned \$1000 (\$500 from the general fund, \$250 from race, \$250 from show). The amateurs added \$250 more, as well as an added \$250 from youth. This actually added up to \$1500 instead of \$1000, as a correction to the minutes from the January meeting.

Shows: Joe Glassford said we are ready for the spring shows. Kari Williams will work in the office on the computer. Her husband will announce. Cheryl LaMaster will be show manager. We do need more help in the office. Joe does still need an announcer at DuQuoin. We plan to get some sponsors for classes to help out the spring shows. The race group will donate \$120 for youth classes at the spring shows. Everybody should try to get some sponsors to help out.

Futurity: Connie McLaughlin's report was in the board packet. Futurity entry forms are ready. The first payment is due May 15th. For the stallion auction, 29 stallion services have been sold to date for \$22,850.

Yearling: June 1 is the deadline for the next issue. Alyssa Freeman will be contacting trainers to get trainers to do ads for the next issue. Last year's calendar project brought in money but was too much work for one person. Alyssa is working on the calendar for 2012. Kandi Lane is hoping for more page and half page ads to help with expenses.

Marketing: Alyssa worked on getting business card ads for this past issue. She has brought in about \$900 so far. Purina has agreed to do educational articles for next few issues. Alyssa is working on ads for upcoming issues.

Amateurs: The amateur group has agreed to pay for the liquor at spring show exhibitor party.

Youth: The youth shows in May are all set, with flip cameras as all around awards. A bake sale was held at the recent Gordyville shows. A silent auction is planned for the spring shows. The youth have over \$16000 in their treasury.

Old business:

a. **year-end awards:** As mentioned at the last meeting, Cheryl had used Division 1 money to pay for year-end awards. The general account will reimburse D1 for the amount for the main association. Each division (youth and recreational ride) will also reimburse the D1 account for their portion. The race group had purchased their year-end awards separately. D1 money will be transferred to the control of the futurity committee. The D1 checking account will be closed and the money sent to Brian Jallas to be deposited as he feels appropriate.

b. **election procedure:** Gene decided to set up a committee to look at ideas on how to do our election in the future. The committee will look at procedures for nomination, ballots, counting ballots, collecting ballots, etc. The committee will consist of: Joe Glassford, Nancy Allen, Cheryl LaMaster, Barb Gibson, and Greg Simmons. These people will get together & bring back information to the Board at the next meeting.

c. **Super Stakes:** Several people mentioned that they thought there was money left, but the amount was unknown. Questions were raised about how to go about finding the money. Joe Glassford made a motion for the president to write a letter to Karen Bingham to ask about the money. Questions were raised about the location of the original documents to show how the Super Stakes were set up. Those present did not have enough information regarding the issue.

New business:

a. **teleconference information & cost:** Cheryl has set up accounts with a new company with lower costs.

b. **Horse Days:** Horse Days will be Aug. 19-21 in Belvidere, IL. Our association will have a booth at the event, paid for with AIM money. LeaAnn Koch made a motion to participate if the AIM money comes through. Ken Freeman seconded the motion, which carried.

The next meeting will be in July, but the date is undetermined yet. Send finances to Brian by June 30th. Joe Glassford made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by John Boxell. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl LaMaster