

QCABHA BOD Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2021 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Conference Call via Skype

Present: Gail Stevens, Cindy Meldrum, Annette Johnson, Kathy Brenneman, Sue Larkin, Susan Burr, Lowes Schmidt

- Meeting minutes read from November 20, 2020. Motion to approve by Susan; 2nd by Sue.
- Treasurer's Report read by Lowes. We currently have \$17,798.85 as of November 30, 2020. Motion to approve by Cindy; 2nd by Kathy.
- Richie Dykeman check. Has it been received yet?
- High Point awards: \$30 to Grand; \$15 to Reserve Grand, certificates and customized printed yard signs. Prizes will be mailed to recipients. Motion to approve by Cindy; seconded by Lowes. Motion passed.
- Standard Op. Procedures. All members have responded to job duties except the President. Gail said she would have it to Cindy soon.
- Discussion held on donating money to Schone's Equine Rescue and Nicole Welsh (her horse fell through ice into a pond, vet bill is over \$3k – horse later passed). After much discussion, it was decided that we would not donate any money at this time until we can bring more money into the club. We have a few payments to be made at the beginning of the year (insurance, PO Box, taxes and first payment of arenas and judges). Maybe set out a donation jar at the shows for Schone's or pet shelters donation. Discussion tabled until March.
- Showbill. Cindy will send out the 2020 showbill to BOD so they can review it and make suggested changes. Lowes brought up the idea to move the light breed/gaited classes to the end of that particular division. No one has shown in that class for a couple of years and to announce that your class is coming up a lot quicker because of no horses entered. Kathy wanted to know why the Ranch classes were moved to the morning section. Dressage discussion: Cost of dressage judge versus amount of entries. Nothing in the way of growth in the last 3 years. Do we need to change these classes? Drop them?
- Grounds Fee: Lowes would like to charge all horses a grounds fee (regardless if they board at the facility or not). Black Spur does not donate any part of the arena like Schone's did. Each show would bring in an extra \$72 +/- just in grounds fees. Lowes moved to charge grounds fees at all shows. Cindy seconded. Motion approved.
- Lowes asked that the novice fee be changed back to regular entry fee. The reduced fee did not bring any more entries. This would make the bookkeeping process much easier. Lowes moved to put the entry fee back up to the regular amount. Cindy seconded.
- Cindy brought up the idea to have one or two shows at Lost Grove Stables. They charge \$300 and have an indoor and outdoor arena, parking if everyone parks conservatively, announcers' booth, bleachers. Gail said we couldn't discuss this right now.
- Black Spur schedules will be coming to Gail. She requested to know what shows were already scheduled on the same weekends so they did not conflict with our type of shows. Still checking on dates for September shows.
- MVF Fair shows are scheduled for August 7 Western Show; August 8 QCABHA Memorial Show. Rodeo last year was held on Wednesday and in the grand stands. June 27, July 11 or 18 are available to book our shows. Gail will check on July 11 date.
- Week of July 17 is Rock Island County Fair. Lowes was told that if they don't have a fair this year, they will never have another fair there again. Must not miss two years in a row according to state laws.
- Year-end High Point. Gail wants to hand that off to someone else for 2021. Lowes would like to learn how to do it and take that over.
- Try to schedule an in-person meeting. Maybe at Pizza Ranch? Lowes will call to find out what is available. Annette will not be available until after February 22. Cindy's office is still not available due to Covid-19 restrictions.
- No further business.
- Next meeting tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 28; 1:00 p.m. at Pizza Ranch.
- Motion to adjourn by Cindy; 2nd by Annette. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Cindy Meldrum, 2020 Secretary

Date Approved: