

POAC National Board Meeting - Unofficial until Approved by the National POAC Board

February 27-March 1, 2014

Clarion Hotel – Lexington KY

Roll Call – Present – Jackie Guthrie, WI; Judy Katzenberger, WI; Kathy McKenzie, OK; Kristen Fears, TX; David Brewer, TN; Scott Shingleton, IN; Harry Chestnut, MI; Janette Arends, CO; Diana Peaton, AZ; Carol Davidson, OR; and Karen Meyer, MN. Director Beverly Tabor, MD, was absent from meeting. Director Davidson made a motion to excuse Tabor from this meeting. Director Peaton seconded the motion.

Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Minutes of the October 2013 Board Meeting were reviewed. Chestnut moved to approve the minutes and Davidson seconded the motion.

Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Minutes of the November 2013 Board Conference Call were reviewed. Fears moved to approve the minutes and Brewer seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Committee Reports:

Treasurers Report – Treasurer Beverly Tabor prepared a letter of financial status for the Board in her absence. The Board will take some time to review the reports and re-address this later in the meeting.

CEO Report –

- Transition from monthly to bi-monthly POA Magazine going well...members like on-line issues also
- New Magazine Editor Elizabeth Murray – POAC Welcomes Elizabeth and thanks Tammy for her hard work over the years
- CBC Judges Seminar – I traveled to Tulsa again this past January – over 75 carded POA Judges in attendance – 3 new judges carded at this meeting as well as several renewals – awesome seminar
- New Inspectors PowerPoint Presentation now available. I plan to have it on the POAC Website soon so that inspectors can view it on the website, take a short quiz at the end, and then submit electronically the answers so they can get credit for their every three year participation in an official clinic. Thanks to Kristen Fears for overseeing this project to the end.
- Kelly Hardesty and Smith completed the year end independent audit review of the books at the National POAC. Complete financial reports prepared by the accountants will be available to all members at the General Membership Meeting tomorrow night.
- The Select Sire Futurity and the Yearling & Older Futurities now have their own saving and checking accounts as requested by the Board.
- This year's Convention should be a great one...thanks to Convention Host Alison Esler...Don't miss the field trip as it is going to be really informative for all!
- Featherlite Trailers is a POAC Platinum Sponsor again for 2014 and will be showcased and the presenting sponsor at the 2014 POAC National Congress!
- International Futurities and Sale – Contracts have been signed for facility and auctioneer, as well as judges and officials.
- Website Update: State Club News has been added, as well as State Inspectors, and show results for all approved POA shows
- Contracts have been mailed to all Congress Judges and Workers. Golf Carts have been reserved, and headquarters hotels have been contracted.
- POAC has three new National Inspectors to approve: Tommy Tomlin, TX; Shawn Wiest, CA; and Sylvain Marquart, France.
- POAC 60th Anniversary Belt Buckle is now available for purchase at the National Office. The #1 Limited Edition buckle will be auctioned at the banquet Saturday night with proceeds going to the Youth Scholarship Fund.
- The renter at the POAC National Office has signed another one-year lease
- The Computer Programmers continue to work on the Registration, Show, and Membership software with target to test later this summer and implement January 1, 2015.
- POAC 2014-2016 Handbook is going to the printers next week. These will be mailed to all current members and judges along with their member/judge card and a welcome letter as soon as the books are done. A big thank you to Pam Klein for proofing this Handbook, and for Kathy McKenzie for providing all of the changes, additions and deletions.

Cowboy Bronze Lawsuit Discussion – President Guthrie explained where POAC is at this time concerning the Cowboy Bronze litigation and asked for questions pertaining to this litigation. Discussion.

Committee Reports:

Eastern Classic – Shingletons reported that the Promotional Show is May 24, followed by the EC on May 25-26. Stalls were \$75 for the weekend last year. This year gaming classes will be split over the two days. Charlene asked the Board to consider changing the class fees from \$14 and \$18 last year to \$11 and \$18 this year. All other fees may remain the same. Director Fears made a motion to set the Eastern Classic class fees at \$11 for pre-entry and \$16 for late entry. McKenzie seconded the motion. Discussion Voting in favor: Davidson, Brewer, Arends, Shingleton, Chestnut, Katzenberger, McKenzie, Fears and Peaton. Opposed: Meyer MOTION PASSED Director Brewer made a motion to set stall fees for the Eastern Classic 2014 at \$85 per stall. Director McKenzie seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Peaton, Fears, McKenzie, Katzenberger, Chestnut, Shingleton, Arends, Brewer, Meyer and Davidson. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED

Youth Board – President Haley Purkapile reported that the Stick Horse Derby is set for Friday night and will be fun for all! There are roses for prizes and all entry proceeds will go to the Youth Fund. Proceeds from the “betting windows” will go towards the Youth Scholarship Fund. The Youth Board has committed to sponsoring the 2014 National Congress High Point and Reserve High Point Awards and will be purchasing saddles and show halters for these awards. They hope to raise enough money to purchase show saddles and are currently soliciting funds for this commitment. At this time they have raised about \$6000 towards the high point and reserve awards.

West World – Janette Arends reported that the judges have been hired and she is working on getting class awards quotes locally. The show is July 4th weekend with the Rocky Mountain Regional Show prior to this show. Class fees for West World are set at \$8 and there will be only one judge at this show.

National Congress – Chairman Harry Chestnut and Joyse Banister reported that all judges, show manager, gate personnel, awards person, ring stewards, etc. have been hired. Golf Carts have been reserved for rental to exhibitors. POAC will be working with a company that will rent stall mats. A video of Expo Square provided by the Tulsa Visitors Bureau was shown to the Board.

International Sale – Chairman Lynn Puffinbarger reported that there will be a sale in Lake St. Louis in October. The Sale Committee will determine whether this will be a one day or a two day sale, depending on consignment numbers. Also depending on consignment numbers, the sale committee will decide if there is a need for a screening meeting. Consignment Fee will be \$115 including a \$65 stall fee and \$40 consignment fee.

International Futurity – Chairperson Diane DeBuhr announced that the theme for the futurity this year is “Jackpot of the Equine World” and there will be a casino theme throughout the barns. The futurity will be held on October 1, 2, and the morning of the 3rd. At this time, they have 23 Elite Sponsors and 13 Class Sponsors. New classes have been added for 2014 including some Non Pro classes as well as Futurity Finals. The Board asked the Futurity Committee to wait to solicit additional futurity sponsorships until the POA Youth Board has had time to solicit for their Congress High Point and Reserve sponsorship needs. Diane asked that the Board allow the Futurity Committee to set the 2014 Futurity stall fees at \$100 (same as in 2013) in order to make a profit on the stalls and put more payback money into the pot. The Board asked the Sale Committee and The Futurity Show Committee to work together to agree on a stall price since the current POA Handbook states that the stalls must be offered for the same price at both the futurity show and the sale. If they are unable to come to an agreement, the Board will determine the stall fees for both events at a later time this weekend.

Old Business -

- 1) Discussion on increasing the height for two year olds and under – Director Chestnut – Referred to Breeders Committee for review
- 2) Novice Program Clarification – Director Arends made a motion to revisit the POA Novice Youth Program. Meyer seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED Discussion Director Brewer made this motion: To point out of a Novice Class, exhibitor must earn 200 points for that class AND/OR show in that class at a Regional, Classic, or Specialty Show level and above for two years (whichever comes first). State Level shows not affected by time limit, only points. Director Arends seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. Director Davidson made the following motion: When showing in Novice – an exhibitor can either do walk/trot or walk trot lope in the same discipline at the same show. Director Katzenberger seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Katzenberger, Arends, Meyer, Shingleton, Chestnut, Brewer, Peaton, and McKenzie. Opposed: Fears MOTION PASSED Director McKenzie made the following motion: At all state level shows (not to include Regionals, Classics, Congress, and Specialty Shows), novice classes are open to any novice rider deemed novice by that club show committee, but only POAC carded novice exhibitors earn National POA points in the novice classes entered. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Katzenberger, Meyer, Davidson, Arends, Chestnut, Peaton, Shingleton, and McKenzie. Opposed: Fears Abstain: Brewer MOTION PASSED Director McKenzie made a motion that any club can resubmit their show bills to the National POAC to amend their novice classes for 2014 at no charge to the club. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Unanimous MOTION PASSED Director McKenzie made the following motion: In the POAC Novice Youth Program rules, strike 3D. Referring to allowing novice points earned to count toward non novice high points. Director Brewer seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Unanimous MOTION PASSED Director Meyer made the following motion: The High Point Novice Award is a High Point Rider Award with all five novice classes combined. Brewer seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 3) 19 & Over High Point Clarification – The Scott Shingleton Family of Indiana is the sponsor of this award for five years (2014-2018) with first rights to renew sponsorship. This High Point Award is a One Pony/One Rider High Point Award.
- 4) Rules Proposal Submission Process Clarification – Director Meyer asked Kathy McKenzie, Rules Committee Chairperson, to clarify the process for submitting a rule proposal. Kathy explained that the Rule Change Proposal Form is located on the POA National Website. This form must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the National POAC. Once received, all rule change proposals are copied and saved at the National Office, and then passed on to the Rules Committee Chairman to make sure it is complete and then copy and retain in a file since the Rules Committee Chairman is the one that will be taking all rule change

proposals that pass committee and the Board, and get them into the next POA Handbook or Supplement. The Rules Committee Chairman then forwards the Rule Change Proposal to the appropriate committee(s) for review and discussion.

- 5) Measuring at Congress/Not measuring then at Futurity Show for 2014: Director Arends made a motion to revisit a previous motion made by the Board to allow horses that measure and pass inspection at the 2014 National Congress to not have to be measured and inspected before participating at the 2014 POA International Futurity Show. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Discussion. Director Chestnut made a motion to rescind the action taken by the Board for any horses measured and inspected at the 2014 National Congress to not have to be measured and inspected at the 2014 International Futurity Show in October. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Arends, Shingleton, Chestnut, Katzenberger, and Guthrie. Opposed: Fears and Peaton Abstain: Meyer, Brewer, and McKenzie. MOTION PASSED.
- 6) Youth Promoter Award – Director McKenzie presented a handout to the Board – Discussion – The purpose of this award is to encourage and reward youth for promoting their ponies to others who are not in our breed. An award will be given out to the youth who best promotes the POA. The award would be \$200 cash (already donated), a free family membership with magazine, and a one page picture and write up about the youth and how they promoted the POA's outside our breed. The type of promotion can be but not limited to:
 - Showing in non-breed shows
 - Using their POA for riding lessons
 - Doing a presentation on POA's to a non POA group
 - Setting up exhibit about the POA's at fairs, library, or other non POA audience
 - Inviting a non POA rider to share your horse at a show
 - Any other creative method the youth may use to promote the POA Breed

The Youth will complete an application, including an essay and pictures explaining their efforts. The youth scholarship committee will judge and determine the winner based on whomever they feel did the most to promote the breed. The details of the program would be published in the POA Magazine, once in hard copy, then each time in digital copies. Director Meyer made a motion to accept this Youth Promoter Award Program as presented for 2014. This award can go to a youth without a current POA membership. The deadline for submitting application is December 31, 2014 and the award will be presented at the 2015 National Convention. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED Director McKenzie will do the forms and promotional materials for this Program

New Business -

- 1) Approval of new POA National Inspectors: Tommy Tomlin, TX; Shawn Wiest, CA; and Sylvain Marcquart, France. Director Brewer made a motion to approve these three new National Inspectors. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 2) Mounted Shooting Program – President Guthrie asked for someone to write a proposal and submit it for committee review if there is any interest in this program
- 3) Barrel Racing Futurity – President Guthrie asked for someone to write a proposal and submit it for committee review if there is any interest in this type of futurity
- 4) Select Sire Futurity rule change – This was submitted by Dean Damman and he asked that the site for the Select Sire Futurity be set at least 22 months in advance because of the breeders timeline for getting the babies ready for the futurity show. This proposal was referred to the Futurity Committee for further review.
- 5) National Congress 2015 and Beyond – Tulsa had submitted a proposal for 2015-2016 to the Board for review. Karen Meyer submitted a proposal from the Alliant Center in Madison Wisconsin. POAC will announce that we are accepting bids for the 2015 and beyond POAC National Congress Show until April 1st. The Board will have a conference call later in April to review all submitted bids and make a final decision on the location of the National Congress for 2015 and beyond.
- 6) MN POAC request for exception to Split/Combine Show bill Rule for 2014 Spooktacular Show – Director Meyer asked the Board for an exception to the rule for the 2014 Spooktacular to give flexibility and ease of time constraints they have with such a large show that they offer in October. Director Meyer made a motion to suspend Rule 53D passed by the Board regarding the Split/Combine Show bill Rule for the 2014 Spooktacular. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Both Meyer and Davidson rescinded their motion and second. Director Meyer made a motion to reconsider the Split/Combine Show Bill Rule passed by the Board in October. Director Brewer seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Meyer, Brewer, Arends, Chestnut, Fears, Guthrie, and Peaton. Opposed: Shingleton, Katzenberger, and McKenzie. This motion was then determined to be an invalid motion. Director Meyer made a motion to suspend the Split/Combine Show Bill Rule for the 2014 Spooktacular. Davidson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Meyer, Brewer, Arends, Chestnut, Fears and Peaton. Opposed: Shingleton and McKenzie Abstained: Katzenberger. MOTION PASSED. Director Meyer made a motion to grant a one-time exception to allow a split combine show bill using a Ponyrama and a Promotional type show for the 2014 MN Spooktacular. Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Davidson and Meyer Opposed: Peaton, Arends, Shingleton, Chestnut, Katzenberger, and McKenzie. Abstain: Brewer and Fears. MOTION FAILED.

- 7) Deletion of Rule 172 B.1 – JPFC Futurity Rule referring to a 3-year-old winning the High Point 3-4 Year Old at the International Futurity cannot come back and compete in the JPFC Futurity as a 4 year old. Director Davidson made a motion to delete this rule from the POAC Handbook. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 8) Moratorium on Rule Changes – Director McKenzie made a motion to put a three year Moratorium on all show rules to take January 1, 2015. This would include all rules from Rule 90-143 in the current 2011 POAC Handbook. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Discussion. McKenzie and Peaton rescinded the motion and second.

POAC Scholarship Meeting – Director Fears (Scholarship Committee Chairperson) made a motion that because there is currently \$5,800 available for use plus what money is collected at the 2014 POAC National Convention from the 60th Anniversary Buckle, POA Memory Quilt, pair of black leather director chairs, and any other accepted items, POAC will give four - \$750 scholarships from the applications received. POAC will also give two \$500 scholarships at the 2014 POAC National Congress – to the qualifying high point 13-18 High Point One Pony/One Rider Boy and the qualifying high point 13-18 High Point One Pony/One Rider Girl. If the Scholarship Committee raises over \$2000 profit from auction items at the convention, the four \$750 scholarships will be increased to four \$1000 scholarships. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Unanimous MOTION PASSED.

At this time, the Director Davidson made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a new CEO Contract for 2014 and beyond. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Unanimous MOTION PASSED.

Once the Board came out of Executive Session and reopened the meeting, Director Davidson made a motion to offer a new three year contract to current POAC CEO Joyse Banister with contract details as presented. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. Joyse Banister accepted the offer made by the Board, and POA Attorney Jacob will prepare a contract to reflect the accepted offer to be signed by both parties.

- 9) President Guthrie announced that she is unsure when she is going to schedule the summer Board meeting at this time. She will review her options and let the Board know as soon as it is definite so they can make plans. It is possible that there will not be a meeting at the Congress in Tulsa due to limited available days to hold the meeting.

At this time Guthrie ended the Board meeting for Thursday, but left the meeting open to re-start on Friday at 3:PM.

POAC National Board Meeting – Friday, February 28th, 3:00PM –

All Directors present except Harry Chestnut. At this time Director Peaton made a motion to move into Executive Session to allow the Board to meet and discuss the status of the Cowboy Bronze vs. POAC litigation with the POA Attorney Jeff Jacob. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Katzenberger, Arends, Meyer, Fears, Shingleton, Brewer, Peaton, and McKenzie. Unanimous. Motion passed. (Director Chestnut joined the meeting at this time).

After discussion between Board and Attorney Jacobs, President Guthrie declared the meeting of the POAC National Directors out of Executive Session and the membership was allowed to re-enter the meeting at this time. Director McKenzie made a motion to proceed with the pending motion attempt to resolve the litigation, and give the CEO the authority to manage the case through resolution and payment of judgment as directed by the Board. The issue of any further challenges of the case will be decided by the Board of Directors. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Katzenberger, McKenzie, Shingleton, Fears, Meyer and Brewer. Opposed: Chestnut and Arends Abstain: Peaton MOTION PASSED

At this time the meeting was recessed until 7:30AM Saturday.

POAC National Board Meeting – Saturday, March 1st – 7:30AM –

All Directors present with the exception of Karen Meyer and Kristen Fears. President Guthrie reconvened the meeting and the following items were discussed:

- 1) POA Treasurer Report – This will be filed subject to audit
- 2) Director Peaton made a motion to approve the financial report submitted by the POA Accounting Firm for 2013 - Kelly Hardesty and Smith. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 3) Director Davidson made a motion to approve the 2014 POAC Budgets as submitted to the Board by the National Treasurer Beverly Tabor. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 4) 2014 Sale & Futurity – Show Schedule Presented – The Committee needs to make sure they change Weanling/Yearling Gelding Halter to Yearling Gelding Halter. The weanling geldings (if any) show with the weanling colts. Director Chestnut made a motion to approve the show bill as corrected. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. There will be no awards or money paybacks for the Non-Pro Classes that have been added. (Director Fears joined the meeting at this time). Voting in favor: Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.
- 5) International Sale and Futurity Stall Fees – Because the Chairpersons were unable to come to an agreement on stall fees for 2014, the Board will make that determination. Director McKenzie made a motion to keep the stall fees at \$65 for the sale and the futurity. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Unanimous MOTION PASSED Director Chestnut made a motion to implement an additional futurity fee of \$35 for all futurity ponies. Director Peaton seconded the motion.

Discussion. Motion and second were withdrawn. Director Chestnut made a motion to delete any reference to stall fees at the International Futurity. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Katzenberger, Arends, Fears, Shingleton, Chestnut, Brewer, and Peaton. Director McKenzie abstained. MOTION PASSED. The Board clarified that any for ponies that are in both the sale and futurity, the owner/entrant will pay the futurity stall fee price for both the pony stalls and all tack stalls they reserve for the week. The Futurity Committee and Sale Committee will split the profit of the stalls from ponies and tack stalls that are in both the futurity show and the sale (50-50 split).

- 6) On-Line Magazine Pricing – Director Fears made a motion to review the cost of advertising in the on-line POA Magazine and possibly lower the fees to encourage more advertising, as determined by the POA editor and CEO. Director McKenzie seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. At this time, Joyse Banister introduced the new POA Magazine Editor Elizabeth Murray to the Board. POAC welcomes Elizabeth to our POA family!
- 7) 2014 Congress Stall Fees – Director McKenzie made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Congress Committee to charge \$150/stall (\$50 additional fee charged if requesting a center isle end stall). Director Fears seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Chestnut, Shingleton, Katzenberger, Peaton, McKenzie, Fears, and Brewer. Opposed: Arends and Davidson. MOTION PASSED.
- 8) Other Discussion:
 - Charlene Shingleton announced that the POA Youth Board made \$475 on the Stick Horse Derby...Great Job!
 - Penny Poczobut requested that the General Membership Meeting be earlier in the day at future convention sites.
 - Ken Tearman asked the Board if Breeder Committee action would go into effect for 2014 – Ken was informed that any motions passed from the Breeders Committee would come to the Board for review and discussion at a future Board Meeting but would not go into effect for 2014 if passed by the Board.
 - Director Chestnut requested that the February Board Meeting at future conventions include a Sunday morning Board Meeting to hear Committee Reports and finish any business from the weekend.
 - Susie Drish asked if it is possible to have more than one General Membership Meeting each year – possibly have one at the Convention and one at the International Sale and Futurities. This is possible and will be considered for future events.

At this time, with no further business, Director Chestnut made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyse L. Banister

Joyse L Banister/POAC/CEO

General Membership Meeting February 2014 Minutes

President Jackie Guthrie opened the meeting at 7PM and welcomed members to the 60th Anniversary of the POAC. Directors were introduced as well as staff in attendance. Minutes of the 2013 GMM were handed out at the door. Barb Hood made a motion to approve those minutes as published. Tracy Keen seconded the motion. Motion Passed. Joyse Banister gave her CEO report to the membership, highlighting:

- New Handbooks available next 2-3 weeks for mailing
- Computer Software still in development phase for membership, registration, and show depts.
- Congress Plans well underway – all judges and officials hired
- Futurity Plans underway as well – all judges and officials hired
- State Club News, State Inspectors, and Show Results on POA Website for 2014
- Online bi-monthly magazine working well as well as bi-monthly hard copy POA Magazine
- POA welcomes new POA Magazine Editor Elizabeth Murray to the POA Family

Old Business – Discussion of POA vs. Cowboy Bronze Lawsuit – POAC Attorney Jeff Jacob was present for questions regarding the case. Penny Poczobut made a motion to move on to new business. Pamela Aide seconded the motion. Discussion. Gene Carr stated Point of Order and sited that the motion is invalid. Guthrie said that this is the members meeting and the motion will stand. Ballot Vote: 31 yes – 33 no – 4 invalid. Motion Failed.

Peggy Lough made a motion that POAC pays the judgment and the club moves forward. Michelle Tauson seconded the motion. Discussion. Ballot vote: 29 yes – 34 no – Motion Failed.

President Guthrie announced that the Board met on Thursday and is currently in recess...they will meet in an open session tomorrow morning at 7:30am to finish their agenda for this February meeting.

Director and Congress Chairman Harry Chestnut announced that the 2014 POA National Congress Show Program covers and center spread would be auctioned at this time. All covers and center spread ads must be submitted to the National POAC or directly to Jennifer Horton no later than June 1, 2014. Purchasers include: Front Cover - \$1200 – Purkapile, MO; Back Cover - \$600 – McDaniel, OK; Inside Front - \$450 – Davidson, OR; Inside Back - \$350 – One Source Trucking (Fears), TX; and Center Spread 2-page color - \$650 – Puffinbarger, OK.

New Business – Bylaw Changes – The following bylaw change proposals were given to the members for a vote. These proposal handbook sections are from the 2011 POAC Handbook:

- 1) Remove Art V Sec 1F – any Director found delinquent in the payment of dues by the deadline of March 1 of the current year, shall be considered a non-member the following year and ineligible to hold office. The President shall declare his/her position vacant and the Board of Directors shall appoint an active member from his/her area to fill the vacancy and the remainder of his/her term of office.

This rule is also found in Art V Sec 4 I – Does not need to be in the Bylaws twice.

- 2) Change Art VIII Sec 2B to reflect the changes proposed to be made in Section 10 of the rulebook... Change from:
 - A. It shall be the duty of the Hearing Committee to hear protests and charges in connection with alleged violations of the rules in accord with the powers and duties referred to in Rule 11. All decisions of this Committee are final.

To:

- A. It shall be the duty of the Hearing Committee to hear complaints in connection with alleged violations of the rules in accord with the powers and duties referred to in Rule 11. All decisions of this Committee are final.

- 3) Change Art VIII to reflect the following change:

Change From:

- B. This committee may meet whenever necessary as described in Rule 11. A Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be elected in October. The Chairman shall designate a Hearing Officer, from those available to attending the hearing, to be in charge of any hearing that he is unable to attend.

To:

- B. This committee may meet whenever necessary as described in Rule 11. A Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be elected in October. The Chairman shall designate a Hearing Officer, from those available to attend the hearing, to be in charge of any hearing that he/she is unable to attend.

Voting on the bylaws by the membership:	Proposal 1 – 55 Yes	1 No	3 Invalid	Passed
	Proposal 2 – 52 Yes	4 No	3 Invalid	Passed
	Proposal 3 – 55 Yes	1 No	3 Invalid	Passed

Financial Reports prepared by the POAC Accountants Kelly, Hardesty, and Smith of Indianapolis IN were provided to all members attending the meeting. Discussion. Member Michelle Tauson made a motion that within 60 days of this General Membership Meeting the National Office will send out a RFP to get quotes for replacing the current bookkeeping software with QuickBooks, and will also send out a RFP for quotes on an External Audit. Darrin Schaefer seconded the motion. Vote: 41 Yes 16 No Motion Passed.

Rosslyn Spencer Biggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Charlene Astin seconded the motion. Vote: 38 Yes 8 No Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

(Motions taken in these committees are only committee actions and must still go before the Board for discussion and vote)

BREEDERS COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Called to order by Russ & Carol Davidson...Committee Members in attendance: Tracy Keen, Charlene Astin, Bob Zahm, Linzy Lahr, Ken Tearman, Millard Fisher, Tommy Tomlin, Rosslyn Spencer-Biggs, and David Spencer.

1. Select Sire Futurity monies are in a now in a separate checking account, as well as Yearling & Older Futurity
2. Kristen Fears completed the new National Inspector PowerPoint. This will hopefully be on the POA website soon with a short quiz at the end for state and national inspectors to view. Quiz results will be forward to the National POAC so inspectors can receive credit towards their three-year clinic requirement.
3. Computer Program: Guthrie reported that software is being written with hopes of implementation estimated by end of year.
4. SSF- more defining -Making a Champion and steps to get there. (possibly a promotional video)
Moving the futurity – discussion on why it moved and who was responsible for the move. The Committee expressed concern because it was moved before discussion with Breeders Committee or Futurity Committee. There needs to be steps to get national events moved. If it is a Board’s decision, the committees do not have a voice...committees should be consulted. Discussion regarding SOPs to outline Committee structure.
5. Reichert Celebration Sale – Discussion on whether it has an impact on the National POAC International Sale.
Other Business –
6. LP Gene Proposal The LP gene is responsible for appaloosa color now has an available DNA test. It stands to reason that by utilizing the test that we can be more inclusive by allowing marginally colored ponies to show if they can prove that they do indeed carry the gene responsible for visible appaloosa color: LP. This procedure whereby testing is done in a controlled manner will allow breeders and owners to show these ponies at an earlier age instead of waiting for them to color. It will also take the pressure off of inspectors who are currently assigned the daunting task of determining whether a pony 1) has appaloosa color and

- 2) determining if it has enough visible color. It also puts the responsibility of proving the pony has sufficient color and characteristics in the hands of the owner. It is hoped that owners will use this procedure to prove the pony is genetically appaloosa colored rather than go through the process of inspection for color. Rule 25 D.5. – Are eligible to undergo a DNA test to determine the LP status. In the event the pony tests either Lp/Lp or Lp/lp, they shall be given tentative papers and be given the right to show without undergoing color inspection. a) Ponies presented to at least one National POA Inspector and two witnesses shall have their hair pulled by the inspector. Hair, signed affidavits, pony's original POA registration certificate or completed application for registration with the appropriate fees shall be sent to the POAC by the Inspector. The POAC will then send the sample to the lab for testing. Results will be sent directly from the lab to the POAC. The POAC will notate the results on the pony's registration certificate. In the event a state has no National Inspector, a licensed veterinarian with two witnesses may be substituted. No inspector shall pull the hair of his own pony or any immediate family member's pony. Rule 52 E. All ponies except those with Permanent Height Card or verification of LP status... Add as a last sentence: *Those with verification of LP status shall still be measured.* - Discussion
- Rosslyn – made motion to approve – Tracy seconded motion – Voting in favor: Ken, Tommy, David, Tracy, Charlene, and Rosslyn. Opposed were Bob, Carol, Russ, Linzy, and Millard. Motion passed.
7. Rule 20F page 45 of official Handbook...Buckskin – definition change, changing dun & buckskin
Tracy Keen – changing them in future - look at it as a whole and all colors
Spencer motion to change – Linzy Lahr – seconded motion Unanimous decision – Motion passed
8. Champagne color/gene – Proposal submitted: The champagne gene is a dominant dilution gene that affects coat color pigments; causing red pigment to be diluted to gold and black pigment to be diluted to chocolate. The champagne gene is distinctly separate from the cream gene and the dun gene. This gene modifies the appearance of the horse by affecting the eye color and skin color as well. The eyes of a champagne foal will first be an icy blue and as the foal ages, the eye color will change to green and finally to amber. The skin will appear a pale rosy pink and as the foal ages, freckling will appear over the pink skin, around the eyes, the pony's sheath or udder and under the tail. Ponies will be registered with the base colors already recognized by the POAC on the certificate of registration with the notation under Markings "Carries and expresses the champagne dilution". To acquire this notation, the owners of the pony must provide a copy of the DNA test results, showing either Ch/Ch (homozygous) or N/CH (heterozygous), which indicates the pony carries the champagne dilution. In the event of multiple dilutions, the notation may read, for example, "Carries and expresses the champagne dilution and the dun dilution". – Discussion David Spencer made a motion to approve. Ken Tearman seconded – Unanimous decision to table motion.
9. Show Rules – Proposal: The Select Sire Futurity show site and dates must be locked-in 22 months before the SSF Show because a breeder needs to know where the futurity will be held before they buy a stallion service in the SSF Stallion Auction...Discussion
Bob Zahm made a motion to reject motion. Tearman seconded motion. Voting: All in favor but Carol Davidson. Motion Passed.
10. Height Change Proposal – Harry Chestnut submitted a proposal that asked the Breeders Committee to consider changing the POA Official Height limits of weanlings from 46" to 48", yearlings from 51 ½ " to 53" and for two year olds from 54" to 54 ½". The reason for this proposal is with the improvement in breeding and feeding. Discussion. Ken Tearman moved to accept this proposal and Tracy Keen seconded motion and commented that she thought a ½" on the current height would be more appropriate. Voting: All yes but Tracy Keen and Charlene Astin. Motion Passed.
11. Broodmare Proposal – Motion to add "full term foal" to Rule 92F, in current Handbook (live or dead). Discussion. Charlene Astin made this into a motion. Tommy Tomlin seconded motion. Unanimous. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned.

RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Kathy McKenzie at 5:30pm.

Roll Call: Kathy McKenzie, Charlene Shingleton, Jeanette Krueger, Janette Arends, Judy Katzenberger, Tom Walmsley, Tracey Keen, Karen Meyer, Charlene Astin, Holly Deschenes, Lynn Puffinbarger, Janice Spears. Absent: Becky Baker, Dawn Walther, and Liz Otten.

Motion by Janice Spears second by Judy Katzenberger to approve minutes from February 2013; Motion passed. Motion by Janice Spears, and second by Jeanette Krueger to approve special meeting minutes July 2013. Motion passed.

Open Issues:

- Kathy McKenzie states rulebook will go to print in approximately one week.
- Jeanette Krueger would like to express thanks to Pam Kline for her help on the rulebook.

New Business:

- A) Reining - Motion by Janette Arends and second by Charlene Shingleton . Discussion. Committee would like to add current pattern 5 as another choice for 8 & under. Sent back to be adjusted and will go back to Rules Committee by email for vote. Motion failed.
- B) Definition of Family: Unanimous - Motion Passed
- C) 2 Year Proposal - Motion by Holly Deschenes and second by Janette Arends. Discussion
Vote- Yes 3, No 8 Motion Failed
- D) Trail - 3 Evades: Motion by Holly Deschenes and second Tom Wamsley . Discussion

Vote - Unanimous. Motion Passed

E) Youth Halter: Motion by Karen Meyer and second Holly Deschenes. Discussion

Vote - Yes 10 Abstain 1 Motion Passes

F) Non Pro Adult Proposal: Motion by Tracey Keen and second Tom Walmsley. Discussion

Vote- Yes 5 No 5, Abstain 2 Motion Failed

G) Show Approval: Motion by Judy Katzenberger and second Janette Arends. Discussion

Vote – Unanimous. Motion Passed

H) Trail: Motion by Jeanette Krueger and second Janette Arends . Discussion

Vote- Yes 5 No 5 Abstain 1. Motion Failed

I) Flexibility of How Shows can be Held in a Weekend: Motion by Karen Meyer and second by Holly Deschenes Discussion – issues with write up. Committee asked for rule write up which would allow a club to be able to run their shows currently allowed in a weekend, or 2 day period, to also be able to be run concurrently over two days. Sent back for rewrite and to be voted on by committee via email. Vote- Yes 7 No 4 Motion Passed to send back to correct.

Adjournment

(Details of each rule in packet provided to each Rules Committee member. They can be available to anyone by emailing a request to poarules@gmail.com)

NATIONAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE MINUTES-

Committee Members in attendance – Ashley McKenzie, Brady Chestnut, Andy Chestnut, Harry Chestnut, Diane DeBuhr, Charlene Singleton, Scott Singleton, Rosslyn Spencer-Biggs, Diana Peaton. Rosslyn showed a PowerPoint - Map of facility, stalling charts – We will be showing in Ford Truck Arena, stalling in Ford Barns, and the secondary arena is the Pavilion. The RV park is handled by Expo Square. Other information:

- o -416 stalls in main barn
- o -measuring at end of Ford Barn towards Pavilion
- o -Show office/concessions at far end of main arena
- o -no charge to POAC for vendor space
- o -catering services at EXPO – all food must come through this service
- o -Golf Carts - \$275 – weekly rental through POAC

Headquarters Hotel – Holiday Inn Express – Exhibitors

Headquarters Hotel – Hyatt Place - Staff and Officials

All Judges and Show management and Ring Stewards/Gates have been contracted

*Mats for stalls – available to rent – info will be in POA Magazine

*Pete’s Feed – Will Bed Stalls prior to arrival if contacted in advance by entrants

*All High Point Awards have been sponsored but still need to secure class sponsorships

*Shane Rux will be the official POA Photographer again this year

Congress Fees: Camping Fees - \$35/night

Stall Fees: Discussion to raise fee from last year to cover new arena expenses. Diane DeBuhr made a motion to set the stall fee at \$150. Seconded by Ashley McKenzie. Motion passed.

Class Fees: Class Fee will be \$18 for pre-entries and \$25 for post entries

Judges – Two sets of five judges...first set will judge first four days (3 at a time) and the second set will judge the second four days. Game judges have been hired in addition.

Trail & Jumping Equipment: We will try to secure equipment from the Oklahoma POA clubs. Jumping will be set up by Ashley McKenzie, Michelle Tauson, and Scott & Charlene Shingleton. Game Equipment will be provided by Show Management.

All Class Patterns must be completed for the program by May 15th – Jennifer Horton is doing pattern book.

Buying of Stalls: This year end stalls can be purchased for an additional \$50/stall. There are 52 Stall ends available for purchase. Charlene Shingleton made a motion to charge an additional \$50 for all end stalls used. Diana Peaton seconded motion. Passed
Kathy McKenzie made a motion that there be no designation necessary for competing for High Point Rider and High Point One Pony/One Rider. No action taken.

Congress Awards: Discussion whether to give award jackets or trophies for class winners. Ashley McKenzie made a motion to give trophies at the 2014 National Congress. Diana Peaton seconded the motion. Passed. Finalist ribbons will be given again this year as well as neck ribbons for first and second placings. Joyse will check on ribbon prices but will probably order from Hodges again to save on shipping costs. Rosslyn asked the POAC Youth Club to possibly offer more social activities for the youth at the Congress so the office staff would not have to be responsible for these types of activities. Hailey Purkapile said that the youth could offer social activities for the youth. The Youth Club is currently asking for sponsorship assistance to pay for High Point Show Saddles and Reserve High Point Show Halters for the Congress. Youth Sponsor Charlene Shingleton asked that the youth be permitted to charge for youth trail practice again this year as a fundraiser.

Tom Walmsley is in charge of the Yearling Sale to be held at the Congress this year. Only yearlings will sell. Tom is working on

details at this time, such as consignment fee, commission, etc. Yearlings that sell will be eligible the following year for futurity classes (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle or Lead In Trail and Longeline). Sale is Friday Night, July 11th in the Pavilion. Auctioneers are being secured.

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

President, Haley Purkapile called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm

Introduction of the new board members and officers for 2014

I. Old Business

- A. As of December 2013, our account balance was \$5,136.

II. New Business

- A. National Congress Awards were discussed. Jack Tearman made a motion to go ahead and keep trying to get sponsorships to purchase show saddles for high point and show halters for reserve. The motion was seconded by Sable Tearman. The motion passed.
- B. Team Tournament Awards were discussed. Dylan Payne made a motion to purchase awards only for the first and second place teams. The motion was seconded by Ashley Corn. The motion passed. Jack Tearman made a motion to set the budget for each award at \$20 per item. The motion was seconded by Kirstin Schaefer. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm.

JUDGES COMMITTEE REPORT:

Committee Members Present: Biggs, Deschenes, DeBuhr, Meyer

Meeting called to order at 8am.

1. Judge Recruitment and Retention
 - a. Volunteers needed to develop and implement plan of action
Ideas were discussed including targeting collegiate judging team members as well as judges that have previously been carded with POAC. Volunteers will be requested from Judges Committee members to develop plan of action and/or policy.
2. Rule Change Proposal for Judges at Premier Events
 - a. Submitted by Brady Chestnut
Measure tabled.
3. Judge Classification System
 - a. Proposal to categorize judges according to experience level: Diane DeBuhr
Formal criteria will be developed. Draft proposal will be submitted by June 15. Brady Chestnut and Diane DeBuhr will develop guidelines.
4. Judges Show Evaluation Sheet
 - a. Sheet included in show packet for judges to identify positive and negative aspects of show including management and rule issues/violations. Need volunteer for development if approved
Request volunteer from Judges Committee to develop form. Form will be placed on POAC website for judges to submit to POAC office following the conclusion of a show.
5. Judge Disciplinary Action
 - a. Official written policy and process needs development
Rosslyn Biggs will continue to work with LeeAnn Haack on this policy.
6. Continuing Education of Judges
 - a. Volunteer POA representation needed at each seminar: See attached list for locations and dates
Volunteers are needed at each of these events to represent POAC.
7. Color Breed Council International Equine Judges Seminar Update
 - a. Interviewed 3 applicants
 - b. Discussed points outline in Judges Update sheet: See attached
Update provided by Rosslyn Biggs.

New Business -

Holly Deschenes made a motion to raise amount offered to judges at national by \$100 to \$200 per day. Diane DeBuhr seconded motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9am.

POAC MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair: Karen Meyer, Joyse Banister

MEMBERS ABSENT: Eva Dahl, Sara Donnerbauer, Kim Eigenberger, Hilary Hansen, Jared Katzenberger, Jackie Pertzborn, Joanna Ruffino, Tom Walmsley

FEBRUARY 2014 MARKET & PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT: (2014 BUDGET) \$2500

2014 PROPOSED PROJECTS:

1. Development of a Mission Statement and Goals/Objectives for the Marketing and Promotions Committee (Eva Dahl, Karen Meyer)

Mission Statement:

The mission of the POAC Marketing and Promotions Committee is to maintain and enhance knowledge, to provide resources, support growth and to enable members to promote the POA Breed as the Family Equine.

Goals and Objectives:

- To generate growth of POAC membership via the marketing, promotion, advertising and publicity of the national Pony of the Americas Club.
- To stimulate interest and understanding of the POA Breed and its offerings.
- To seek corporate entities that are interested in supporting the POAC through Corporate Partnerships.
- To develop diverse educational materials that will position the POAC as the leading resource for information on POAs.

2. Educational, promotional materials for use at POAC Breed Booths at large events such as Midwest Horse Fair (Sarah Novotny, Karen Meyer, Jackie Pertzborn, Eva Dahl)

Currently state POAC chapters are participating in large horse expositions in their state providing ponies and participating in the demonstrations portions, but there is limited availability of materials for POAC members to talk to individuals about POAC and its offerings. This project will focus on the development and testing of educational materials that will be created and made available in electronic form to POAC State Chapters for use at their local venues. Topics include: POAC History, Judging Criteria, Breed Characteristics, Youth Novice Program, Adult Program, Breeder Information and Opportunities, etc.

Benefits for POAC:

- Opportunity recruit new members
- To educate horse enthusiasts on the POA breed
- To effectively highlight special programs within POAC such as the expanded Leadline Program, Youth Novice Program and the newly expanded 19 and over program
- To increase understanding of POA rules
- Development of POAC educational materials to supplement those currently available
- Networking opportunity for state chapters and the national POAC

Benefits of EXPO participants:

- Increased Knowledge of the POA Breed
- Access to knowledgeable POA members
- Networking for purchasing and/or training POAs
- Improved understanding of the POA Show Circuit and what it has to offer
- Increased understanding of new POA programs

3. NATIONAL CORPORATE SPONSORS (Eva Dahl, Karen Meyer)

National corporate sponsors are essential to contributing to the bottom line of the POAC. This project will focus on the development of materials for any members to use in soliciting corporate sponsorships for the National POAC. Professional materials that outline the POA national organization and its membership are key in obtaining these sponsorships. This project result in the development a professional portfolio to be used in corporate sponsorship discussion. This portfolio can be made available to any members that are pursuing a corporate sponsorship on behalf of the POAC. Joyse Bannister also reported on a contact which she has made where corporate sponsors are solicited by a contracted individual. This individual also solicits corporate sponsorships for AQH A and APHA. Both organizations are pleased with the return on investment. Joyse will solicit a bid from this individual as feedback from the membership indicated that this would be good use of the Marketing and Promotions budget in 2014. The financial returns would potentially be greater in the long run.

4. DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS FOR USE BY JUDGING SEMINARS, JUDGING TEAMS, YOUTH PROGRAMS, ETC. (Karen Meyer, Audrey Meyer – Youth Contributor as Video Editor)

The national POAC office frequently gets requests for judging materials from judges and youth organizations. Currently, we have very little to provide for these requests. Video Horse World has videoed our POAC Congress in past years and is willing to contribute to this project. This project will consist of a compilation of selected videos for each of the pattern classes (Showmanship, Equitation and Horsemanship) for the 9-12 and 13-18 age groups. These videos can be used at POAC Approved Judging Seminars or by Youth Judging Teams.

5. COLLEGE INTERNSHIP WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION TO ASSIST WITH CORPORATE FUNDRAISING (Jackie Pertzborn, Sara Donnerbauer)

Historically, POAC has largely depended on its membership for sponsorship of events, awards and other related expenses at regional and national POAC events. Our membership is being stretched to continue doing so due to the current economy. This proposal suggests using a college intern solely dedicated to corporate sponsorships. This intern would be responsible for development of materials that could be used at a regional and national level for recruitment of corporate sponsorships. It has been my personal experience in seeking national

sponsorships, that without properly developed, professional materials outlining the POAC, membership, activities, and strategy, it is difficult to be successful at a high level. An intern could develop these materials under the supervision of an appointed person within POAC and/or the BOD. Our club has many members with academic affiliations at colleges with equine majors. Sara Donnerbauer, for example, completed her bachelors and masters degrees at UW River Falls which is a highly regarded equine related college in River Falls, Wisconsin and has a well-established network with faculty at the university. With the properly developed materials, members such as Sara could work with her contacts and through her relationships at these colleges to set up internships to help POAC to accomplish these goals. A portion of this project could also include formulating and managing a positive presence on social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. representing the official POAC. Since sites like POA Breeders, POA Talk, etc. are so negative; this effort may assist in improving the appearance that POA members are posting on these sites. Internships could also be established in other areas to assist POAC. These internships may not necessarily be onsite at POAC but could be conducted remotely with visits as needed, thereby avoiding additional expense to the intern or POAC. This is a win-win situation for both POAC and the students involved.

Benefits of Internships for POAC:

- Source of fresh and diverse talent for new insight and ideas
- Intern recruiting aligned with college recruiting efforts simplifying the process
- Project help; reduce workload
- Improve efficiency, morale and motivation
- Promotes community education; great public relations
- Training and development opportunity for POAC office positions
- Increased positive marketing impact for the POAC on social media

Benefits of Internships for STUDENTS:

- Experience a prospective career path
- Meaningful work experience related to field of study and major
- Exposure to real-world scenarios in the workplace
- Experience complements theoretical knowledge learned in the classroom
- Potentially receive academic credit
- Professional, social and volunteer activities for networking
- Develop new skills and refine others
- Commitment and assignment management
- Helps students build resume
- Career development and performance management
- Mentoring and coaching; training and development
- Gain confidence in abilities

6. THEHORSE.COM (Karen Meyer)

TheHorse.com is adding breed profile articles to their website: thehorse.com. If you're not familiar with TheHorse.com, they are an education partner with the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) and their articles/digital features are visited by millions of horse enthusiasts each year. They would like to include the Pony of the Americas in their horse breed profiles. With the assistance of Joyse Bannister, the forms have been completed for this website.

7. ADVERTISING IN NATIONAL MAGAZINES

The feedback on the 2013 Equine Chronicle ads was very positive. It was felt that it brought POAs to a new position within the horse industry. The ads in 2013 consumed the entire Marketing and Promotions Committee budget. Feedback from the membership indicated that the funding would be better spent on corporate fundraising in 2014.

8. SOCIAL MEDIA

Our goal is to utilize the official Facebook page as a means of promoting POAs.

Futurity Committee Minutes

Abbreviated: Minutes in full are available by request, mdtauson@yahoo.com

Sponsorships: 23 Elite Sponsors and 13 class sponsors for an estimated total of 12.5 K in donations have been secured to date. Harry Chestnut announced that Mahindra USA and Dutch Acres Equipment owned and operated by the Tearmans is proud to be a part of the 2014 National Futurity Show. They will be donating the use of a 50HP Mahindra tractor for one year to the 3&4 Y/O Highpoint Futurity Winner.

Stall Fees and Assignments: Stall fees will be \$65.00 and a \$35.00 (barn fee) will be charged for each tack and pony stall of those exhibiting in the Futurity even if they are also in the sale. Diane also reported that the Futurity Committee will be handling stall assignments. The Sale committee has requested the stalls in the main barn closest to the arena. Barring requesting stalls in this location this request should be no problem.

Show Schedule: The proposed show schedule was approved by the BOD. Adult Non Pro Classes will be new additions to the schedule. Finals for all WP, HUS will be held on Friday with the intent to showcase owners, breeders and trainers.

Futurity Events: Special events slated for the Futurity include Casino Night, an Isle decorating contest, exhibitor games, giveaways

Equipment and Ring Help: The main arena will be set up as it was for Congress (split down the middle), Charlene Shingleton would like to see the obstacles set up in the second arena for exhibitors to practice in so that the trail courses look fresh and ready the day of the show. Charlene will check with the venue to obtain an inventory of equipment and report back to the committee. Ring Masters have been secured. The Committee agreed to secure an equipment judge to assist in time management.

Scribes and Point Tabulators: Based on complaints received last year, it was decided that the point tabulator for trail and reining will not be a member of the committee, POA employee or BOD. The committee will work to obtain qualified scribes.

Program and Pattern Book: Holly Deschenes announced the winners of the Front Cover - Charlene Shingleton, Center Spread - Sara Gronski, Inside back - Denise D'Anna, Back - Erin Zimmerman. The committee will begin to develop the program book and work with the editor and printer from last year. MFA will be the proud sponsor of the Program/Pattern book.

Awards: A subcommittee was appointed to develop financial markets for awards and begin to search for ideas and vendors.

2Y/O Program: Harry Chestnut presented the idea of not permitting 2 Y/O to participate in riding classes at any POA show prior to July 1st of the current show season. Much discussion from all in attendance in support of this proposal. Voted and passed to present to the BOD.

Slot Classes: Much discussion from all in attendance, in support of slot classes. The committee will use this method for Maturity and Non Pro Classes for the 2014 Futurity.

Abbreviated minutes submitted by M Tauson.