

POAC National Board of Directors Summer Meeting  
September 28, 2014 – 1:00PM CST  
Lake St. Louis MO

(Unofficial until approved at next Board Meeting)

President Jackie Guthrie opened the meeting with roll call: Directors present included Jackie Guthrie, WI; Beverly Tabor, MD; Diana Peaton, AZ; Scott Shingleton, IN; Karen Meyer, MN; Janette Arends, CO; David Brewer, TN; Kristen Fears, TX; Judy Katzenberger, WI; Kathy McKenzie, OK, and Harry Chestnut, MI. Director Carol Davidson was not present due to flight delays and is expected to arrive later.

Minutes: February 27-March 1, 2014 Board Minutes – Director Fears made a motion to approve these minutes as published in POA Magazine. Director Peaton seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Tabor, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Katzenberger, and McKenzie. Director Chestnut was opposed. MOTION PASSED. The April 23, 2014 Board Minutes – Director Fears made a motion to approve these minutes as published in POA Magazine. Director Meyer seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Tabor, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Katzenberger, McKenzie, and Chestnut. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

CEO Report – Joyse Banister reported on the following topics:

- Very successful 2014 National Congress and very positive surveys from attendees for Board to review
- Report on the Congress 2014 Suspension issue and the process followed by POAC
- Missouri Attorney Richard Beard letter to POAC and donation received
- Computer hardware and software update – new department computers and a central server has been purchased and will be installed later in October to prepare for the uploading of the new program software. The membership and registration software will be installed first, followed by the show department software
- Convention 2015 is being planned at this time and looks like a great time in TX on Feb 26-March 1<sup>st</sup>
- 2014 International Sale and Futurity – Futurity Programs are in packets for Board to view...Sale Catalogs will be mailed out first class next year because of the uncontrollable delays with second class mail. The Sale and Futurity Committees have both done an excellent job this year to provide a quality event for POAC exhibitors and attendees
- Color Breed Council – I will be attending the 2015 CBC in Tulsa again in late January to represent POAC and assist with the Judges Academy, Applicant interviews, and carded judges seminar...this is a very important event for all judges and a great avenue for continued education
- Anniversary Belt Buckles – We continue to get orders for buckles, and they have been very well received
- Bylaw Change Ballots – These ballots have been mailed out as directed by our current Handbook and will be counted by KHS Accounting Firm
- POA Website – We are continually adding new items like educational literature on the various programs offered through POAC, as well as Committee Descriptions...be sure to keep watching the website for more information
- Karen Meyers, Kristen Fears, Scott Shingleton and I met with POAC Accountant to discuss the various POA accounts and what they are used for, as well as the current process for the annual year-end review. Excellent informational meeting for all
- Hall of Fame – A new Chairman must be elected for 2015-2019 and ballots have been sent out to the HOF Committee to complete this election process.
- Bi-monthly POA Magazine – This has worked well for most, and the on-line “newsletter” is viewed by a large number of both members and non-members
- Promotional materials have been provided to both Germany and France for their breed fairs...they are going to use our materials and then convert it to their native language for distribution. They are excited about the interest in POAs in their countries

- Featherlite – They have been great as our Platinum Sponsor for 2014 and I am working with them to encourage them to be a part of the POA Sponsorship Team again in 2015

Treasurers Report – The Board reviewed the financials provided by Treasurer Beverly Tabor and the National POAC. They were reviewed and the Board was given time to look them over before asking questions to Tabor and also to POA Bookkeeper Stacey Stewart. Meyers questioned if the deposit for the Tulsa Congress facility was reflected on the Congress Profit-Loss Statement for 2014. This will be researched and amended if necessary. This Treasurers Report will be filed subject to audit.

#### Committee Reports –

National Congress – Chairman Harry Chestnut reported that the congress made a good profit for POAC and that the facility was well received, as well as the hired show staff and facility workers and numerous volunteers. Also the yearling sale went well for the first year.

West World – Janette Arends reported that the West World was successful even though they were not able to make a profit on this show this year. The expenses for next year will be considerably less because they have many unused awards that will carry over to 2015. They would like to keep the one judge show to keep entry fees lower and encourage more participation. They could change dates to June 11-14 (including RM Regional) to get away from Congress dates if the Board would prefer. Discussion. Arends made a motion to have the 2015 West World Show in Longmont Colorado June 13-14, 2015 and raise entry fees to \$10/class. McKenzie seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Fears, Brewer, Arends, Katzenberger, Chestnut, McKenzie and Peaton. Directors Shingleton, Meyer, and Tabor abstained. MOTION PASSED.

Eastern Classic – Shingleton reported that for the numbers that attended, the EC made a good profit in excess of \$5000 for the club. Dates are very important for attendance. The EC is set for May 24-25 in 2015 with a one-day Promo Show on May 23<sup>th</sup> at the Cloverdale Indiana show facility.

Central Classic – Meyer reported that a show bill draft has been completed for the 2015 Central Classic to be held in Winona MN on June 19-21<sup>st</sup>. They are planning a two-day Promotional Show followed by a two day Classic Show. They are trying to get all classes sponsored. The MN POAC may have a state show the weekend prior to this Classic weekend. Meyer suggested that the Board consider having some type of a Classic Circuit High Point Award. Discussion. No action.

International Futurity Show – DeBuhr reported that there are currently 25 Elite Sponsors. Class numbers are down slightly but pay outs will be better than last year. There will be no payout for the non-pro classes and this entry and sponsorship monies will be divided among the other futurity classes after the class awards have been deducted. The Futurity Committee and Board of Directors recognized and thanked Ken Tearman for his work in getting a Mahindra Tractor donated for one year to the winner of the Three & Four Year Old JPFC High Point.

International Sale – Puffinbarger reported that the sale will be held in the main arena in an arena approximately 40'x20'. The sale numbers are down this year but the quality is better than most years. Internet sale opportunities hurt live auctions in all breeds. Justin Ochs will be back this year to do the sale and DV Auctions will be here to live stream the sale and take on-line bids. President Guthrie added that the HYPP rule for sale ponies needs to be reviewed in the Handbook because there is not enough time to check all ponies and get tests done if needed before the Sale Book goes to print.

Marketing and Promotion – Karen Meyer reported that the committee has completed a Mission Statement for the Committee and is doing job descriptions for all committees listed on the website. POAC was represented at the Midwest Horse Fair this past year. The cost for this participation is \$450 but it is a huge event and POAC

receives a tremendous amount of exposure. The committee is working on making a Judging Instructional DVD for training purposes. Also, the POAC profile has been updated on The Horse.Com.

Scholarship Committee – Kristen Fears reported that the NSBA Trainer Auction is being researched as a possible fundraiser for POAC Scholarship Program. Also, there will be items auctioned before the start of this year's sale.

Youth Board – Charlene Shingleton reported that Nominations for Board Representatives were due September 20<sup>th</sup> and at this time six nominations have been received from three regions. Their Bylaws need to be amended so that the representatives rotate like the adult directors. They need to find ways to have youth “spotlighted” in their regions and not have to attend National events to participate. President Guthrie asked Charlene to try to have proposed Bylaw revisions for the February 2015 meeting of the Board. Director Peaton made a motion that the Youth Board open up their nominations again to encourage additional participation. Discussion. Motion was withdrawn. Charlene will work with the youth to solicit for more participation.

Rules Committee – The Rules Committee reviewed rules for Board action. Some of the rules will be discussed today but held for action until tomorrow when they are taking actions under the Fall Board Meeting agenda. The new age group codes will go into effect January 1, 2015 for all POAC approved shows as follows: 6&U Leadline, 9&U, 10-13, and 14-18.

#### New Business:

- 1) Germany has requested a letter stating that POA Germany is the official POA Club in Europe. Joyse has sent them a letter stating that POA Germany is the official POA Club in Germany, because we also have POA France.
- 2) International Futurity Late Fees for 2015 and beyond: Director Fears discussed the possibility of eliminating the triple fees and just paying one \$50 late fee for a late futurity nomination for yearlings and older into the International Futurities. This \$50 late fee would go to the National POAC and must be paid by the September 5<sup>th</sup> futurity entry deadline. Discussion. Director Fears made a motion to remove the triplicate late fees for the Yearling and Older Fall Futurity Classes, and have a set \$50 late fee per class in addition to the regular futurity fees. This \$50 late fee would go to the National POA Club as income and must be paid by September 5<sup>th</sup> of the futurity year. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Tabor, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Katzenberger, and Chestnut. Director McKenzie abstained. MOTION PASSED.
- 3) Rule 28 A regarding National Inspector Clinic requirements – Now that the National Inspector Power-Point Training is available on the POA Website, no action was taken at this time.
- 4) National Inspector measurement procedures – President Guthrie will talk with the Inspection Chairman prior to the futurity/sale to make sure he directs all inspectors to enforce Rule 81 regarding measurement and inspection procedures for POAs. Guthrie reminded the Directors that they need to follow the rules.

6:09pm CST – Meeting was recessed until Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am CST.

President Guthrie re-opened the Board Meeting at 8:04am CST. Director Meyer made a motion to excuse Director Carol Davidson from the meeting due to travel delays. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Tabor, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Katzenberger, Chestnut, and McKenzie. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

At this time, Chestnut made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the suspension issue from the 2014 POA National Congress Show. Tabor seconded the motion. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. The Board allowed Ken Tearman and Dawn Walther to stay in the meeting since they will be seated on the Board later today.

Open Meeting reconvenes –

Balloting Process for National Directors – President Guthrie explained the current process for tabulating results for National Director Elections. The ballots are mailed from the National POAC but all are tabulated from KHS Accounting Firm. A list of any ballots that need to be verified are submitted to the POAC via e-mail from the accountants and this list, once verified, is now also being sent to the Nomination Committee Chairman as an additional check and balance.

Reconsideration of the International Sale and Futurity location for 2015 – President Guthrie lead this discussion. No action taken.

(Director Davidson arrived at the Board Meeting at this time)

Moratorium of Show Rules – Director Katzenberger made a motion to have a two-year moratorium for show rules effective January 1, 2015. Director Davidson seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Brewer, Katzenberger, Davidson, and McKenzie. Opposed: Shingleton, Meyer, Fears, Arends, Chestnut, Tabor, and Peaton. MOTION FAILED.

Director Arends made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Withdrawn.

Director Chestnut made a motion that the decision of the Hearing Committee be upheld regarding the McKenzie/Solberg complaint received during the 2014 POAC National Convention. Director Fears seconded the motion. Discussion. McKenzie called for the vote. Voting in favor: Meyer, Fears, and Chestnut. Opposed: Katzenberger, Davidson, McKenzie, Tabor. Abstained: Shingleton, Brewer, Arends, and Peaton. MOTION FAILED.

Director Chestnut made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Davidson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Brewer, Katzenberger, Davidson, McKenzie, Shingleton, Meyer, Fears, Arends, Chestnut, Tabor, and Peaton. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyse Banister/POAC/CEO

September 29, 2014 – 10:20am CST

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Roll Call: Meyer, Fears, Chestnut, Katzenberger, Davidson, McKenzie, Tabor, Shingleton, Brewer, Arends, Peaton, and Guthrie. All Directors present.

CEO Report – The same CEO report that was given at the September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting was presented to the Board so that Director Davidson (which was absent for the 28<sup>th</sup> meeting) could hear the report.

Rule Changes:

Director Guthrie made a motion to change the maximum heights as follows: Weanlings – 47”; Yearlings – 53 ½”; Two Year Olds – 55”; Three Year Olds – 55 ½”; and Four Year Olds and Older – 56”. Fears seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Meyer, Fears, Chestnut, Katzenberger, Davidson, McKenzie, Tabor, Shingleton, Brewer, Arends, and Peaton. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Broodmare Proposal – Director Katzenberger made a motion for Rule 91F, Page 89, to replace “who have foaled current or previous year” with “Full Term Foal in the current or previous year”. Brewer seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Arends, Brewer, Fears, Meyer, Chestnut, Tabor and Peaton. Opposed: Davidson Abstaining: McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Shingleton. MOTION PASSED.

Buckskin Definition – Rule 20F – Referred back to Breeders Committee for more clarification

LP Gene Proposal – Discussion – No action taken

Split/Combine Show Types for Approved POA Shows – (replacing Rule 52D) – Director Davidson made a motion to allow no more than three shows of any combination of show types in a weekend (four for a holiday weekend). A Pony Rama is counted as two shows. Arends seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Arends, Brewer, Fears, Meyer, Chestnut, Tabor, Peaton, Davidson, McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Shingleton. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Reining – New Reining Patterns were reviewed by the Board – Director Meyer made a motion to accept the new reining patterns with the addition of current reining pattern #5. Tabor seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Meyer and Tabor. Opposed: Shingleton, Brewer, Arends, Katzenberger, Chestnut, Davidson, Peaton and McKenzie. Director Fears abstained. MOTION FAILED.

Definition of Family – Director McKenzie made a motion to accept the following definition of “Family” to be added to Rule 28A in the current POAC Handbook. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Discussion.

- A. National Inspector shall not inspect a pony owned by a family member. Family shall include the following: spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandchild, grandparent, step-grandparent, legal ward, inlaws (father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter) stepchild, stepparent, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, aunt, uncle, niece, or nephew.

Director McKenzie made the motion to accept this rule addition. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Arends, Brewer, Fears, Meyer, Chestnut, Tabor, Peaton, Davidson, McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Shingleton. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Rule Change Proposal for Rule 114 - Trail Evades – Director Carol Davidson made a motion to accept the following proposal which would give a “no score” for an obstacle which an exhibitor has three refusals or evades. Director Arends seconded motion.

Add to the following rules: 114 I 10 and Rule 115 8 e – Three refusals or evades on an obstacle

Voting in favor: Shingleton, Katzenberger, McKenzie, Davidson, Peaton, Tabor, Chestnut, Meyer, Fears, Brewer, and Arends. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Youth Halter Proposal – A proposal was presented to the Board to offer a complete list of Youth Halter Classes to Rule 93, Page 87, and offer them at all POAC approved shows, offer ROM Awards for Youth Halter Classes, and include them in the National Year End Award Standings. Discussion. This was referred back to the Rules Committee for further consideration and clarifications.

Show Approval Forms – Rule 52A – Director Shingleton made a motion to change 52A with the following addition as Rule 53A. The POAC Show Approval forms must be used for notification and approval of a show. This form must be complete and received at the POAC office in time to meet the POA Magazine deadlines. These deadlines are printed in the POA Magazine. The CEO may refuse approval of any show if in their opinion it is not in the best interest of POA.

Director Tabor seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Shingleton, Katzenberger, McKenzie, Peaton, Tabor, Chestnut, Meyer, Fears, Brewer, and Arends. Opposed: Davidson MOTION PASSED

Rule 24E – Discussion to add #11 – Ponies that have been hardshipped are not allowed to participate in any POAC approved futurities. This was sent to the Futurity Committee for further discussion.

Field Registrations – The current Handbook rule on Field Registrations was referred to the Breeders Committee for review as per the National Board of Directors.

Hunter In Hand – Director Arends made a motion that two year olds may have the option of showing in a halter or bridle. Motion seconded by Brewer. Discussion. Voting in favor: Davidson, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Meyer, Chestnut, Tabor, McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Shingleton. Director Peaton opposed. MOTION PASSED.

Placement of Back Numbers – Director Arends made a motion that exhibitors have the option of putting back numbers on their backs, side, or hips in Rule 89j, page 87. Director Chestnut seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Fears, Brewer, Arends, Chestnut, Davidson, and Peaton. Opposed: Shingleton, Meyer, Katzenberger, McKenzie, Tabor, and Guthrie. MOTION FAILED.

Deletion of “Tentative” from Rule 80A 5a and 80A 5b – President Guthrie made a motion to remove the word “Tentative” from the above rules in the current Handbook. Director Davidson seconded the motion. No discussion. Voting in favor: Brewer, Chestnut, Davidson, McKenzie, and Guthrie. Opposed: Shingleton, Meyer, Fears, Arends, Katzenberger, Tabor and Peaton. MOTION FAILED.

Location Change for the 2015 POAC International Sale and Futurity – Director Davidson made a motion to move the 2015 POAC International Sale and Futurity back to Des Moines Iowa. Director Guthrie seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Guthrie and Davidson Opposed: Arends, Brewer, Fears, Chestnut, Tabor, McKenzie, Katzenberger and Shingleton. Director Meyer abstained. MOTION FAILED.

Leadline Games – Director Brewer made a motion to change the current rules for all Leadline 6&U Games that they are designated as walk/trot only, and executing a canter more than three consecutive strides is a disqualification. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Fears, Brewer, Arends, Davidson, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, McKenzie and Tabor. Director Chestnut was opposed. Director Katzenberger abstained. MOTION PASSED.

Junior Ponies being Shown by Youth – Director Chestnut discussed the potential problem with allowing a youth to ride ponies that are also being shown in JPFC and 19&Over events because of the high number of classes that a

junior pony could potentially be shown in per day. Discussion. This was referred to the JPFC, Futurity, Rules, and Breeders Committees.

Director Meyer mentioned the ongoing concern for the welfare of POAs at our state level and National approved events. All show committees and show managers should always be alert and observant at shows and events to make sure that the welfare of our POAs is being maintained at all times.

Canadian Welch Association Proposal – A proposal requesting that the Canadian Welch Pony Association be included as one of the National POAC recognized breeds was referred to the Breeders Committee.

Pleasure Driving Header Proposal and.... – Both proposals were referred to the Rules Committee for further review.

Seating of the new POAC National Board of Directors – At this time President Guthrie introduced Ken Tearman from Indiana and Dawn Walther from Illinois as the two new National Directors that will replace Guthrie and Chestnut on the National Board. Tearman and Walther were seated at this time. Director Peaton thanked Guthrie and Chestnut for their long service to the POAC and to the Board of Directors. Vice President Diana Peaton took over the meeting at this time to conduct the new election of officers for the Board.

Election of Officers:

President – Janette Arends nominated Ken Tearman for President, seconded by Fears. Dawn Walther nominated Diana Peaton for President, seconded by Tabor. Katzenberger moved nominations be closed, seconded by McKenzie. Each nominee was given an opportunity to tell the Board about themselves and why they would want to serve as President. Paper ballots were collected. By a vote of 9-3, Diana Peaton was elected as President.

Vice President – Dawn Walther nominated Scott Shingleton, seconded by McKenzie. Janette Arends nominated Ken Tearman, seconded by Davidson. Katzenberger moved nominations be closed, seconded by Walther. Paper ballots were collected. By a vote of 7-5, Scott Shingleton was elected as Vice President.

Treasurer – Dawn Walther nominated Beverly Tabor, seconded by Scott Shingleton. Janette Arends nominated Karen Meyer, seconded by Fears. Karen Meyer declined the nomination. A unanimous ballot was cast for Beverly Tabor. Voting in Favor: Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Tabor, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Tearman, Katzenberger, Walther, McKenzie, and Davidson. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Selection of the Rules Committee Chairman – President Peaton appointed Director Dawn Walther as the Rules Committee Chairman.

Election of the Hearing Committee – Paper ballots were collected for the election of the Hearing Committee and the top four will be on the Hearing Committee. Those elected are: Ken Tearman, Karen Meyer, Kristen Fears, and David Brewer. Dawn Walther is automatically on the Hearing Committee also since she is Chairman of the Rules Committee. (This Committee met at the conclusion of the Board Meeting and appointed Kristen Fears as Chairman and Karen Meyer as Vice Chairman of the Hearing Committee).

New Business –

Director Fears made a motion to offer National Congress Points (including three sets of “A” type points) to the 2015 and beyond International Futurity Show. A National Pony Fee of \$25 per pony will be charged to all Futurity Ponies, with the September 5<sup>th</sup> final payment fees. These points will count towards ROMs and Year End Awards but will not count toward Regional/International attendance for ROMs. These points will be awarded to all classes that are currently nationally pointed (will not include non-pro or maturity classes). Director Brewer seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Tabor, Peaton, Shingleton, Meyer, Arends, Brewer, Fears, Tearman, Katzenberger, Walther, McKenzie, and Davidson. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

A Novice Program Review Committee was appointed to bring ideas for change/clarification to the February 2015 National Board of Directors meeting. Appointed: Scott Shingleton, Holly Deschenes, Judy Katzenberger, Janette Arends, Kathy McKenzie, and Kelly Gideon.

Dawn Walther made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tabor seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Meyer, Shingleton, Peaton, Tabor, Arends, Fears, Brewer, Tearman, Walther, McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Davidson. Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully Submitted,

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