

POAC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (Unofficial until approved in October 2017)

July 11, 2017 – 4:00PM CST

Tulsa Expo Square, Tulsa Oklahoma

Call To Order – The following Directors were present: Diana Peaton, AZ; Pam Barlet, OR; Kristen Fears, TX; Judy Katzenberger, WI; Dawn Walther, IL; Scott Shingleton, IN; Janette Arends, CO; Ken Tearman, IN; Tracy Keen, FL; and Kathy McKenzie, OK. Two Directors were absent: Beverly Tabor, MD and Kimberly Matthews, IA. Both directors asked for excused absences due to work related issues. Director Tearman made a motion to excuse both Beverly Tabor and Kim Matthews from this meeting. Arends seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

Approval of February 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes – Director Walther moved to approve the minutes as presented. Shingleton seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed**

Director McKenzie made a motion to amend the October 2016 Minutes regarding the High Point Boy/Girl Split at National Events to make this an option at all National Events. This was printed in the published minutes that combining boys and girls for all high points is required. Walther seconded the motion. Discussion. Voting in favor: Barlet, Arends, McKenzie, Katzenberger, and Walther. Opposed: Shingleton, Tearman, Keen, and Fears. **Motion Passed.**

Approval of the March 19, 2017 Conference Call Meeting Minutes – Director Walther moved to accept these minutes as presented. Director Shingleton seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

President's Report: President Peaton encouraged all directors to be available as much as possible at this Congress Show for measuring and inspection. This year's Congress is down in pony numbers but still very good with entry numbers. The more directors that can help with measuring the better it is for families trying to get settled and checked in. Peaton also discussed the ongoing problem of the few national POA members that continually cause problems for the entire membership. These members need to be made aware that action will be taken against them if problems continue.

Office Report – Office Manager Stacey Stewart reported the following to the Directors:

- New tenant at the POA Office building effective next month with a 12 month lease signed
- New POAC Magazine Editor hired...POAC welcomes Susan Curtis!
- The office has had some building repair expenses including preparing the rental space for the new tenant, and repairing the POAC water heater and bathroom lights.
- The Office is currently busy with registrations, futurity payments, Classics, East and West World shows, and the Congress. Final P&L reports will be completed as soon as possible.
- The bookkeeping department is somewhat behind at this time due to the additional duties of preparing for Congress. The part-time girl, Tara, is a huge help with the many tasks of the office and is continuously learning new jobs. Her hours have been increased from 12 to 20 hours per week and could be increased to full time if the Board would allow.
- The Executive Committee continues to support the staff in the office with whatever is needed. Scott still comes in twice a month to pay bills and sign checks. Beverly and Diana communicate with the office regularly.
- I want to thank the BOD for allowing Joyse Banister to consult for POAC, as her knowledge of the breed and procedures is priceless.
- Staff reports for the Show Department and the Registration Department are in your packets.

Treasurers Report – Financial Reports are in the BOD Packets for your review. All Financial Reports are filed subject to audit review.

National Congress Report – Co Chairman Mark Hull – The Congress is ready to begin – pony numbers are down but entries appear to be good. Sponsorship money is way up from last year which will help to offset the lower entry fees collected at check in. There is new equipment this year being used for both trail and jumping. There are some new events this year including several "Ride the Pattern" workshops, a Trail Clinic and Welcome Reception, two sponsored breakfasts, and a "Non-Timed Challenge" for all exhibitors to participate in if they choose.

West World Review – Janette Arends reported that the West World was a good show and the numbers were better than they have been in past years. A P&L will be provided to the Board when completed.

Central Classic Review – Judy Katzenberger and Dawn Walther reported that the Central Classic was a success and a P&L will be provided to the Board when completed. They explained how the high points were calculated and how the trophy buckles were awarded. The Board supported their efforts and thanked them for their hard work.

East World Review – Tracy Keen reported that the East World was small but successful. A P&L will be provided to the Board when completed.

International Sale and Futurity – No report was given, however the office reported that sale consignments are now starting to come in to the office. Futurity numbers look consistent with last year. Awards were ordered earlier this year, judges were hired last winter, and information is now on the POAC National Website including the official show bill.

Dave Morris – “POA History Reports” – Dave reported to the BOD that he has a large amount of POA History that he has been keeping for many years. He is concerned that this information could someday be lost if no one continues to maintain this important task of keeping track of this history. He has also been in contact with POA Accountant Bryan Whisler of KHS concerning the original Scholarship Endowment Fund monies that has been a part of the POAC financial records for years. These funds must stay with this foundation or be distributed to an Agricultural College according to the foundation bylaws. David and Bryan have reached out to the IRS as well as the State of Iowa to ensure this Foundation can remain active or be re-instated. They will keep the BOD informed on this issue.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

East World Proposal – May 26-28, 2018, Martin TN (Ned R. McWherter Ag. Complex) – This date was moved back to memorial weekend from June because there are too many shows in June in a close proximity. The Board will review this proposal and act on it at a later time.

National Congress Contract – Tulsa, Oklahoma (Expo Square) – 3 years already signed

July 11, 2017 – July 21, 2017

July 10, 2018 – July 20, 2018

July 9, 2019 – July 19, 2019

International Sale/Futurity – Des Moines, IA – 3 years

October 3, 2016 – October 8, 2016

October 2, 2017 – October 7, 2017

October 2018 (dates not determined at this time)

West World – Longmont, CO – 3 years

First weekend in July for all three years 2016-2018

Central Classic – Winona, MN – 3 years

Corresponding week of June 15-19, 2016-2018

National Convention – Indianapolis – 3 years

February 2017 – 2019

North Central Working Horse Celebration – Madison WI – 3 years

August 11-14, 2016

September 7-10, 2017

2018 – Date TBA

Rule Committee Proposals – Passed proposals will be up for discussion and voting at the October 2017 National Board Meeting.

POA Magazine – Director Arends – Janette discussed the current magazine layout with the Board...feels like it is all forms and should have more general interest information included. With the new magazine editor, this may be a great time to start adding this information such as “Breeder Spotlight/Member Spotlight”, Supreme Champion photos, and even survey pages to help the BOD and Office make better decisions for the club. Janette will send the POA Office Manager additional information about this so the new editor can be given some direction on this.

Standardization of National Events – Director Shingleton shared a concern with the Board regarding how the awards are handled at the various Classic Shows, all sponsored by the National POAC. Some Classics give really nice class awards, and others do not give any awards. Exhibitors go expecting to receive some type of award for class wins but receive little or nothing. Discussion. No action taken.

Sponsored Awards for POAC – So that the BOD is aware of additional specialty awards and activities at all National Events, it is requested that the Committee Chairpersons for all national events get their plans in place and to the Board for review in October before the year they are going to be offered.

Horse Show For Windows Program Issues – The National POAC continues to work with HSW technical staff to correct ponies with wrong owners, ponies with wrong sires and dams, membership expiration date issues, etc.

Ranch Riding – A proposal is needed to change this event status to allow it to be included in National High Point calculations.

#### NEW BUSINESS ---

National Inspector Application – Sarah McGuigan, MD – has completed all of the necessary items to be considered by the BOD for National Inspector status. Director Walther made a motion to accept Sarah McGuigan as a current POAC National Inspector. Keen seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

National FFA Convention Booth 2017 – Director Shingleton presented to the Board a request for POAC to participate in the 2017 National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. The money for this booth space rental can be taken out of the Educational Foundation Account. Discussion. Joyse Banister stated that the table-top POA display is was broken last year and needs to be repaired before using it again. Banister suggested that the larger floor display be used for the FFA Convention in 2017 if approved. Director Tearman made the motion to allow the National POAC to participate in the 2017 National FFA Convention by having a vendor booth. Barlet seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

Director Arends discussed an idea of bringing in money to POAC by participating in the “Giving Back to the Community” Program through Kroger and Safeway grocery stores. \$25 grocery cards are purchased and can be continually re-filled by members across the country. For every \$5,000 in groceries purchased, the POAC would get \$200 back. Colorado has done this and has made over \$6,000 to use towards club needs. Documentation is needed to prove non-profit status. Discussion. Arends will get more details on this program and how it could work for the National POAC.

Director Katzenberger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Walther seconded the motion. Unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Joyse Banister & Stacey Stewart