

# **Board of Directors-Minutes**

April 18, 2017, 1:30PM EDT-Via Teleconference

# A. Welcome & Call to Order - Jack Vanderkooy, President

i. In Attendance: Jack Vanderkooy, President, Dr. Rosanne Palermo, Vice President, Jennifer McClelland, Treasurer, Eric Smith, Secretary, Gerben Steenbeek, Director, Amy Austin, Director, Barb Renico, Director, Jason Tice, Executive Director ii. Identify Conflicts of Interests: No Conflicts were identified

### **B. Secretary's Report - Eric Smith, Secretary**

i. Mr. Smith presented the minutes dated March 21, 2017. Motion made by Mr. Smith to accept the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Ms. Renico. After discussion, 2 changes were suggested and made under section D. and a change under the Grievance. These changes were agreed upon. Minutes approved as changed.

# C. Matters arising from the Minutes

i. Official letter sent to Paul Kula regarding Board's decision (Jack) Mr. Vanderkooy reported that he has sent a letter to Mr. Kula regarding his grievance with the decision of the FHANA Board of Directors.

ii. Communication with Lone Star Friesian Horse Club (Jack) Mr. Vanderkooy reported that he has had a discussion with Mr. Gaylor about the chapter status

#### **D.** Correspondence

i. No Correspondences were discussed

#### E. Treasurer's Report-Jennifer McClelland, Treasurer

i. Ms. McClelland presented the Financial Statements for March 2017

March Profit & Loss

Total Income: \$56,181.85 Total Expense: \$60,006.50 Net Income: \$(3,824.65) Year to Date Profit & Loss Total Income: \$180,268.01 Total Expense: \$82,831.67 Net Income: \$97,436.34 March Balance Sheet: Total Assets: \$402,763.11



Total Liabilities: \$133.48

Total Liabilities & Equity: \$402,763.11

It was pointed out memberships are down over 2016. This is a topic to be addressed at the membership committee. Online registrations are now available to prior and new members. A reminder email was sent out with some renewals. As of the meeting date memberships are making up ground. **Motion made by Ms. McClelland to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Palermo. Motion approved unanimously** 

### F. Executive Director's Report - Jason

Mr. Tice reported the ROLEX event will be taking place again April 27-29. This year Tiffany Revenga, Erin Miley, Gerben Steenbeek and Linda Strine will be demonstrating the versatility and sportability of the Friesian Horse. Mr. Tice reported that the office has submitted and received back the first batch of Hydro/Dwarf testing and updated this information for the members and sent them a letter with the results of the testing. Mr. Tice will keep the board up to date if any changes are needed. The office has been promoting a Foal Picture competition on our Facebook page. The results have not been as good as they were in 2016. Please encourage members to send us their foal pictures to be posted. Foal registrations are coming in steadily now. The office has been doing some behind the scenes activities in preparation of the upcoming inspections. Carriage House Promotions has brought in a few new items that were requested after the AGM and they are now listed on the website. They are also purchasing a new embroidery machine to help with the requests for embroidery on the sleeves. Mr. Tice reported that he has had an issue with a transfer. The horse was thought to be deceased by the original owner but had been sold to a different person by the person who had leased the horse. Mr. Tice has been in touch with the owner of record and the new owner are working out the details and discussing the horse in hopes the horse can be transferred to the new owner. This issue has been resolved and has a happy ending for both the previous owner and the new owner. Mr. Tice reported that he has no new information regarding the lease. He has told the Pony Club that the deadline is June 1st for FHANA. This is the date that we will use to make our decisions on what we will do to proceed. There is a difference between registering some foal information on the KFPS website compared to the FHANA site. Mr. Tice will check it out.

# **G.** Committee Reports

i. Inspection Committee (Eric) Mr. Smith briefly discussed the meeting that took place April 5, 2017. Mr. Smith also presented the updated Inspection Handbook and the Site Host Handbook for review. Ms. McClelland requested that the committee watch the judges' travel reimbursement policy closely for 2017 and reiterate the policy to the site hosts so they are aware of the changes to the policy.



ii. Central Mare Show Committee (Rosanne) Dr. Palermo presented the minutes dated 4.6.17. Classes have been expanded and the entire show will occur on Friday evening. Entries are open to all star or higher predicate regardless of year inspected. Motion made by Dr. Palermo to allow star and crown mares participating in the CMS, which have not attended a keuring in 2017 to be judged at the CMS for an upgrade in premie or predicate. Motion seconded by Mr. Steenbeek. Mr. Steenbeek asked if this has been discussed with the KFPS. Dr. Palermo reported that this has been discussed with the KFPS. Mr. Steenbeek thought this would not be fair for the members on who are not able to attend the show. Mr. Vanderkooy reported that the KFPS reported that this is an issue for FHANA to decide and the KFPS will support the decision. Mr. Tice reported that in his discussion with the KFPS he felt the KFPS was in favor of this. Mr. Tice reported that he can use the program to identify the horses that are eligible for an upgrade. He would also identify this with the judges if it is a late entry. Ms. Austin felt that by doing this, we would be hurting the entries of our local inspections. Dr. Palermo responded that these horses would be paying an inspection entry fee as well as paying the Mare Show entry fee. Ms. Renico stated this was brought up last year and will increase CMS participation. Mr. Smith also worries local inspection entries may suffer impacting future site consideration. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Steenbeek-No, Mr. Smith-No, Ms. Renico-Yes, Ms. Austin-No, Ms. McClelland-Yes, Dr. Palermo-Yes, Mr. Vanderkooy-Yes. The motion passes. Motion made by Dr. Palermo to accept the committee report amended to include more than two mares can be selected to move on at the judge's discretion. Motion seconded by Ms. McClelland. Motion passed unanimously.

iii. ABFP/Stallion Committee (Rosanne) Dr. Palermo presented the minutes dated 4.10.17. Dr. Palermo reported the Willy Arts is not available to conduct the training of the ABFP program but will be available for the stallion training. The committee is considering this and will have a response soon once things are more finalized.

iv. Marketing/Membership Committee (Jennifer) Ms. McClelland presented the minutes dated 3.27.17. Ms. McClelland reported that Mr. Kelnhofer would be the Co-Chair of the Marketing Committee and Ms. Page would be the Co-Chair of the Membership Committee. The committee has goals to consider new marketing materials for the future and consider the fees being charged to the membership.

v. Finance Committee (Jennifer) Ms. McClelland reported the committee did meet and it was more of an informative meeting to get the committee up to speed. The next meeting will have formal minutes presented.

vi. Health/Education Committee (Rosanne) Dr. Palermo presented the minutes dated 4.11.17. Several webinars are in the planning stages.

vii. FHANA Member Council (Barb) Ms. Renico reported that she spoke with Mr. Will Bron regarding what items were on the Chapter Committee agenda for 2017 discussion and action before the committee responsibilities were given to the FMC by Mr. Vanderkooy.



Mr. Wil Bron stated that the FMC would be developing criteria for approval/denial of chapter applications going forward.

#### **H. Review Items**

i. 35th Anniversary Update (Jack) Mr. Vanderkooy reported the FHANA Member Council has given their support and backing for the 35th Anniversary to take place in Alberta, Canada. Mr. Vanderkooy reported that he would start to form the committee and would be having a meeting shortly. Mr. Vanderkooy also reported the Quadrille team located in the Netherlands is on board and excited about the opportunity.

#### I. Discussion Items

i. DNA Proposal (Jason) Mr. Tice presented a proposal for the boards consideration regarding the distribution of DNA profiles to other registries. The distribution helps with the registration of offspring with Friesian parentage. The number of requests by the Friesian Heritage Horse over the past several months has increased. The proposal will allow the Breeder of Record to request the profile free of charge. If the request comes from a registry or owner that did not originally register the horses they would be required to pay a fee of \$30 to receive the DNA profile. **Motion made by Dr. Palermo to accept the DNA Proposal for other registries as presented and to go into effect May 1, 2017. Motion seconded by Mr. Steenbeek. Motion approved unanimously.** Mr. Tice was directed to send a letter to each registry instructing them of the policy change.

# J. Board Round Table Discussion

i. Discussion regarding previous decision about Lone Star Chapter. (Jennifer) Ms. McClelland reported that she had a discussion with a member of the South Central Friesian Horse Association and this member was under the impression that they had time to bring up issues with the new chapter. Mc. McClelland felt that all the information was not properly presented before the vote had taken place to accept the Lone Star Chapter. Mr. Smith reported that in a meeting with the SCFHA representatives that a request was made on how the two chapters would co-exist. At the time of the vote, the list on how the two would co-exist had not been received. Ms. Renico felt this list can still be helpful in how the two chapters can move forward. Ms. Renico felt both groups clearly wanted to move in their own direction and had encouraged the representatives of the SCFHA how they could move forward. Ms. McClelland felt that this is now setting precedence on how future chapters might be established. Ms. McClelland was not aware there were some loose ends that should have been tied up before the vote occurred.



ii. August Board Meeting (Jack) Mr. Vanderkooy requested from the board members except for Ms. Austin to incur the cost of attending the meeting at their expense. This would include the travel expense and the hotel expense so that FHANA would not incur any of this expense. Mr. Vanderkooy would like to host the board on Friday evening and Mr. Steenbeek would like to host the board on Saturday evening. Mr. Vanderkooy suggested that an option be discussed regarding Ms. Austin's travel due to the distance she would be required to travel since the other board members are in driving distance. Mr. Vanderkooy will have more information at the May Board meeting.

iii. Breeder's Calendar (Jack) Mr. Vanderkooy inquired if the Marketing/ Membership committee had discussed the 2018 calendar proposal. Ms. McClelland reported that the committee is still looking for the expenses before the committee can move forward. Ms. Vanderkooy suggested proceeding with sending the request to the breeders and sellers to receive membership feedback considering costs, income and interest moving forward with the calendar. The other board members felt this was a good suggestion before moving forward with the project.

### K. Good of the Order

i. Next Meeting May 16th, 2017 at 1:30PM EST

ii. Future Meeting June 20th, 2017 at 1:30PM EDT

# L. Adjourn