

FHANA Member Council Minutes: March 13th, 2024

Present:

Scott Kelnhofer – Friesian Horse Association of the Mid-East (Vice Chairperson)
Jack Vanderkooy – Ontario Friesian Horse Association
LoriAnn Thwing – Northern Michigan Friesian Club
Jamie Cesear – Northeast Friesian Horse Club
Beatrice Whitely – Friesian Horse Club of Southern California
Henk Sytsma – Central California Friesian Horse Club
Carrie Blair – Ohio Valley Friesian Horse Association
Marvel Jeffcoat – South Central Friesian Horse Association
Anna Osinga-Bouma – Atlantic Canada Friesian Horse Association
Mark McGowan – Lone Star Friesian Horse Club
Annie Muilwijk – Alberta Friesian Horse Association
Janice VerMerris – Michigan Friesian Horse Club
Deborah Horsch – Friesian Horse Association of Oklahoma
Joe Michielli – Cascadia Friesian Horse Club
FHANA Board Liaison – Erin Miley
Angie DePuydt – Administrator
Caron Osborn – Administrator

Absent:

Lauren McDonald – Pacific Friesian Horse Club
Pam Groom – Florida Friesian Horse Club
Marq Laude – Mountain Time Friesian Chapter
Fernando Horwitz – Great Lakes Friesian Horse Association
Representative – North American Spanish Friesian Horse Association

Please refer to the meeting recording for complete/detailed comments: [FMC Meeting Recording – 13 MAR 24.](#)

1. Opening Remarks. Mr. Kelnhofer called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM EDT. Mr. Kelnhofer congratulated Mr. Laude and Vanderkooy on their KFPS pins.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes. Ms. DePuydt corrected the attendance to reflect that Mr. Michielli was present. Ms. Jeffcoat motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes, and Mr. Michielli seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. FHANA Board Updates. Ms. Miley provided an update from the FHANA Board. The board approved several motions from the B Book II Committee during their last meeting:

- a. That the Board of Directors provide a thorough educational package for members that register a B Book II Friesian horse. The package should at least include clear and honest information about:

- The pros and cons of using unapproved stallions versus KFPS approved stallions.
 - The KFPS breeding recommendations and goals.
 - A list of available KFPS approved stallions and more breeding information.
- b. That the Board hold a member referendum to vote on whether B Book II horses be allowed for presentation in person at FHANA inspections, pending the KFPS addressing open B Book II recommendations with a deadline of May 31, 2024, as well as detailed educational information being provided to the FHANA membership regarding this issue before the vote occurs.
- c. That the document titled FHANA and KFPS Foal Book Stallion Request Form be adopted within FHANA and that the official rules attached be adopted with the request.

Ms. Miley reported that the under saddle requirements have been eliminated for stallions who receive Ster in the same year they are being tested. Peterbaugh Equestrian in Howell, MI, has been selected as the site for the 70-day testing. A new site in Tennessee has been added to the inspection schedule. The FHANA grievance policy is being updated. The board voted to discontinue the release of board meeting recordings. A ride-and-drive event will take place from April through July to help raise funds for the FHANA research grant. The KFPS will soon publish kinship for all horses in the database.

4. Notes - FMC Meeting with FHANA Board. The council discussed the FMC/FHANA Board meeting that took place at the AGM.

5. Roundtable Discussion. Ms. DePuydt discussed chapter renewals and encouraged the chapters that haven't renewed to do so by the deadline.

6. Next Meeting Date. The next FMC meeting will occur on Wednesday, April 10th, 2023, at 8 PM EDT.

7. Motion to Adjourn. Mr. McGowan motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM EDT.

Minutes presented by Angie DePuydt