

# **Board of Directors Meeting Unapproved Minutes, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

Chris Walker called meeting to order at 8:15am.

Andy Roberts gave invocation.

**Present were:**

Eddie Barrow

Jamie Lawrence

Ronnie Hooker

Andy Roberts

Mike Etheredge

Chris Walker

Ed Hiers

Tonya Parsons-Beaver

Kelly France

Darlene Harris

Fred McRoy

Tim Toler

Judy Jones

Chris Walker introduced Craig Stiles, Manager for the Celebration Arena.

Craig Stiles - Today marks my one week on the job, I am still in that learning curve. I am excited to be here, and about the things I think can happen here. Most of all I am excited about having the Racking Horse Association here 28 days per year. We are working on the arena and it seems to be in good order at this time, and it is that way because of Don Stisher. He has been out here with his men and equipment for 4 weeks now. Any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please let me know.

Chris Walker – Please write down anything you have. Mr. Stiles is handling our suggestions and complaints quite well.

Craig Stiles – I am working on changing the attitude of The Decatur Daily, supporting us more and shining a more positive light on the facilities. There is still a lot of work to be done on the property, the camper hookups need work, we got new sewer coming up. I got some ideas for the barns using corporate sponsors. We are lacking here in corporate sponsorships. We got to get the confidence back. It has been a pleasure meeting each of you, and I am learning more every day. Thank you.

President Walker verified that everyone has received the minutes. Ed Hiers made a motion to accept the minutes. Andy Roberts seconded the motion. No objections, motion passed.

**Old Business:**

President Walker verified that everyone has the amendments which had been posted for change to our rule book.

AMENDMENT

Add to end of **Section 4.2 Election of Principal Officers: Term of Office:** (page 16)

The Chairperson of the Show Committee shall be elected by the Board of Directors in September for the upcoming year rather than at the annual Winter Meeting.

Fred McRoy made a motion to accept this amendment to section 4.2, Ronnie Hooker second the motion. Roll call vote with no objections, motion passed.

**Section 8.2 Show Committee:** (page 40)

Sentence reads:

A Vice President elected by and from the Association's Board of Directors shall Chair the Show Committee.

Change to:

A Vice President elected by the Association's Board of Directors shall Chair the Show Committee.

Kelly France made a motion to accept this amendment to section 8.2, Fred McRoy second the motion. Roll call vote with no objections, motion passed.

**Section 3.5 Election Procedures:** (page 5)

Sentence reads:

No more than two members from any particular State or Voting Region may serve on the Election Committee.

Change to:

No more than four members from any particular State or Voting Region may serve on the Election Committee.

Ed Hiers made a motion to accept this amendment to section 3.5, Darlene Harris second the motion. Roll Call vote with no objections, motion passed.

#### Newsletter:

Chris Walker – On the newsletter, we had approved Melisa Taylor in spending \$1,200.00. We have sent out 2 newsletters, and we want to send out another one in November and then again in January. The feedback has been tremendous regarding the newsletter. This is going out to 1400 members. Fred McRoy made the motion for \$1,200.00 for the newsletter in November and January. Tonya Beaver seconds. Mr. Toler opposed, motion passed

#### Treasures Report:

One page is off our new system, and 2 pages from Breeden. We will be using Chase Hurst for our Treasures Report. He has been catching Breeden's problems and making corrections. We did receive the \$17,000.00 from the IRS and put it in the money market. Our current account balance is \$146,613.72, Checking Account \$8,562. Chris, will send a letter to discontinue Breeden's services. Ed Hiers made a motion to accept the treasures report. Kelly France seconds. Motion passed.

#### Personnel and Property:

Fred McRoy made a recommendation that a deposit be made for stall rental. 50% of stall rental must be paid by the due dates. Motion by Fred McRoy. Second by Kelly France. Motion passed.

#### Returned check policy:

Give them three (3) returned check and or one check kept more than 90 days. Then the writer of said check must pay cash or credit card. Motion by Andy Roberts, second by Ronnie Hooker, motion passed.

Andy Roberts will help with the Speed Association.

#### Breeders Committee

Pedigrees are up by 41 and commission registration up by 60.

Judy Jones made a recommendation for show committee to research our contracts for the show veterinarian.

Ed Hiers made a motion for Melisa Taylor to be the show chairman, Kelly France second. Discussion followed..

Ed Hiers made a motion to cease nominations, Judy Jones second.

Roll Call Vote:

Eddie Barrow Yes  
Jamie Lawrence Yes  
Ronnie Hooker Yes  
Andy Roberts No  
Mike Etheredge No  
Chris Walker No  
Ed Hiers Yes  
Tonya Beavers No  
Kelly France Yes  
Darlene Harris No  
Fred McRoy No  
Tim Toler No  
Judy Jones Yes

Tim Toler made a motion to hold nominations until the board reconvenes.

A letter needs to be sent to Mr. Russell to inform him his motion needs to be worded in proper form as the rule book has been written. Mr. Toler did talk to Mr. Russell at World Celebration and informed him of the proper procedure.

Recess until Thursday after the General Membership meeting.

## **Reconvene**

Ed Hiers reopened nominations for Show Committee Chairman, Melisa Taylor

Andy Roberts made motion to cease nominations, Kelly France second.

Roll Call Vote:

Eddie Barrow Yes  
Jamie Lawrence Yes  
Ronnie Hooker Yes  
Andy Roberts Yes  
Mike Etheredge Yes  
Chris Walker Yes  
Ed Hiers Yes  
Tonya Beavers Yes  
Kelly France Yes

Darlene Harris No  
Fred McRoy Yes  
Tim Toler No  
Judy Jones Yes

Motion to adjourn Ronnie Hooker, Second Darlene Harris. Motion passed.