

Board of Directors Meeting

August 23, 2014

President Walker calls the meeting to order at 8:50am.

President Walker asked Andy Roberts to give the Invocation.

Mrs. Taylor called roll.

Board Member	_08_ / _23_ /2014
Eddie Barrow	Absent
Jamie Lawrence	<input type="radio"/> Present
Ronnie Hooker	<input type="radio"/> Present
Tim Toler	<input type="radio"/> Present
Fred McRoy, Jr	<input type="radio"/> Present
Andy Roberts	<input type="radio"/> Present
Mike Etheredge	<input type="radio"/> Present
Chris Walker	<input type="radio"/> Present
Tonya Parsons-Beaver	<input type="radio"/> Present
Kelly France	Absent
Darlene Harris	<input type="radio"/> Present
Jim Morris	<input type="radio"/> Present
Judy Jones	<input type="radio"/> Present
Kimberly Coult	<input type="radio"/> Present

Ms. Judy Jones made the motion to excuse Eddie Barrow, Mr. Andy Roberts Second. Motion passed.

President Walker discussed the issue of discretion among the Board Members and trust in each other. Moving forward it is extremely crucial that this board be allowed the flexibility to share their thoughts, concerns and ideals without being concerned about repercussions about revenge and things being twisted, told and used against them, me included. This is a very competitive organization and as you know you make certain decisions in a certain direction and the next thing you know you're paying the price later on. As each of you know about 90% of what we discuss does not get done, but in the process to get to that place that information does not need to be used against us and so we need to decide as a board moving forward that we are going to agree that we can disagree and yet not hammer and beat each other up in the back ground and down the road. To me this is extremely important. If we don't come to that place we are spinning our wheels and wasting our time.

We can run this organization status quo. I think we made somewhere around \$27,000.00 we can run this organization status quo and probably do that and finish our terms or for how ever long we want to stay in seat and we could keep all the flack off of us, we could do that and we could find probably 150 to 200 people who can do the same thing. I'm not interested in status quo that's not for me and I don't think it's for each of you. We have some things to tackle to grow beyond and it will take this boards commitment. With that said is this board willing to equip whoever it is to get these things done.

The Board went into a discussion of Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and rules. Mr. Toler is to call Sara Beth Gregory about revamping the rule book and eliminating the gray areas. Mrs. Harris also requested from Mr. Toler if he would get a time frame she felt it could be done in.

There was discussion of the Show Managers position.

President Walker spoke on the current bill and how anyone can write an amendment to a bill and get it sponsored. I know certain people within the USDA have the ability to coach us in the right direction, they have connections with the right people to get things done or will at least give them an ear. Ultimately that's the end game to be able to write an amendment to the HPA and get it passed. The only way we will win these persons help is through creditability and continued effort. This is my objective; in short term to get relief and not to have to encounter what is happening in Shelbyville this week; long term to develop a relationship that we can some true assistance in getting out from under the HPA or revamping it to the point it helps us significantly.

President Walker presents to the Board of Directors a request from Bryan Barnhill's customers concerning showing at the 2014 World Celebration. The Board felt Mr. Barnhill had plenty of opportunities (3) himself to argue his side for lenience and did not take advantage of his chances.

Therefore not only his customers feel they are punished but also RHBA. The customers are free to come and he may be a spectator.

President Walker discussed the regions and the 2015 Board of Directors Board of Directors elections.

Mrs. Judy Jones made the motion: Georgia, Region 1 and Region 2 will be combined interim for the 2015 year. In 2015 the eligible voting members for Georgia and Florida will make up Region 1 for an election to name a director for 2016. Mr. Ronnie Hooker second, motion carried.

Jamie Lawrence made a motion to reconsider Ronnie Hookers motion on removing the chain from our breed. Motion second by Tonya Parsons.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	_08_ / _23_ /2014
Eddie Barrow	Absent
Jamie Lawrence	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Ronnie Hooker	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Tim Toler	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Fred McRoy, Jr	<input type="radio"/> pass
Andy Roberts	<input type="radio"/> pass
Mike Etheredge	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Chris Walker	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Tonya Parsons-Beaver	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Kelly France	Absent
Darlene Harris	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Jim Morris	<input type="radio"/> Yes

Judy Jones	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Kimberly Coult	<input type="radio"/> No

Motion passed

Mr. Lawrence made the following motion. Motion Second by Tonya Parsons.

The Board of Directors for the RHBAA met on Saturday, August 23, 2014. In that meeting the Board voted to put before the RHBAA membership that are eligible voters as of August 23, 2014, an opportunity to vote on keeping or eliminating the use of the action device known as the chain. The motion put forth by the Board is: to eliminate the use of the action device, known as the 'chain', from use in the RHBAA shows, to eliminate section 11.5, Specialty Action, from the Rule Book, and to eliminate all related verbiage speaking to the allowance of 'chain' in the Rule Book, and the elimination of the specialty action division/chain shall be effective January 1, 2015.

Page 40 and 41, Section 8.4

READS:

Section 8.4 REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Horses competing in the racking classes in shows affiliated/sanction by the RHBAA must be duly registered with the RHBAA (exception: Lead Line Ponies) and must be entered under their full registered names and current registered owner's name. Racking Horse in the Specialty Action Division may be shown with an action device that is in compliance with the HPA Act. Racking Horses in all other divisions may not be exhibited with tail braces, boots, chains or any other apparatus that would restrict their natural movement.

1. RHBAA registered horse showing in the Specialty Action Division shall not change to any other division of the RHBAA except once a year and before July 1st of that year. The Specialty Action Division classes do not qualify for the World Grand Championship Classes.

2. An affiliated/sanction show by the RHBAA not having a Specialty Action Class would let a Specialty Horse show but not with a action device and this would not count as a change to other division.

(2/19/05)

MOTION TO CHANGE TO READ:

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Page 41, Section 8.5

READS:

Section 8.5 TACK AND ATTIRE:

1. All tack must be neat and clean and fit the horse correctly.
2. Horses may not be exhibited with tail braces, boots (EXCEPTION: Stretch quarter boots are allowed in all speed classes and versatility timed events), chains (EXCEPTION: Specialty Action Division) or any other apparatus that would restrict the natural movement of the Racking Horse.

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Page 75, Section 11.15

READS:

Section 11.15 SPECIALTY ACTION DIVISION

Emphasis is not placed on this division; although the interest of the Racking Horse Membership has dictated the RHBAA have a division using an action device. This division will be shown in pads and flat shod and meet the requirement of the HPA shoeing rules and regulations. Action devices that are permitted by HPA to be used in this division. This division will consist of TWO-YEAR-OLDS, THREE-YEAR-OLDS, and FOUR-YEAR-OLDS AND AGED HORSES. The classes can be divided between Genders, Open Amateur and Youth and are required to execute the three (3) gaits of the Racking Horse. (Exceptions: Youth 12 and under, Two-Year-Old and any combination with a Two-Year-Old horse in said class. These will perform two (2) gaits, the show walk and the slow rack). Championship classes for this division will be limited to this division only and will be unable to show in any other Championship class.

- (a) Tack, dress and showmanship to be the same as in section 11.12, Open Division.
- (b) Judging Specifications to be the same as specified in Article XII Section 12.1 (1) thru (11).
- (c) Any horse with a punching gait or excessive head nod will be excused.
- (d) There will be no pleasure classes in this division.

The Specialty Action Horse shall enter the ring at a show walk, prior to the initial judging of the class.

(2/19/05)

MOTION TO CHANGE IS TO REMOVE:

Remove: Section 11.15 SPECIALTY ACTION DIVISION

READS

Section 12.4 FALL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: Any horse which has shown in a previous class, except for Pleasure and Specialty Action Classes, is eligible to show in the World Grand Championship. In other Championships at the Fall Celebration, in order to show in a Championship restricted by age of the rider or horse, size of the horse, or status of the rider, the horse must have qualified in a previous class so restricted. (2/19/05) v. RHBAA horses showing in the Specialty Action Classes are permitted to use an action device that is in compliance with HPA. Any action device used other than the ones permitted by the HPA will be a violation of the rules. Other Divisions using any artificial substance or mechanical device, including, without limitation, chains, trotting balls and action devices, in showing a Racking Horse in any racking class in any show regardless of whether such show is affiliated/ sanctioned by the Racking Horse Breeders' Association of America or on the show grounds of the RHBAA, or at any public area (such as warm-up area, staging area, etc) at any RHBAA sanctioned show, or treating a Racking Horse in an inhumane fashion on any show grounds shall be in violation [D]

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Jamie Lawrence	o Yes
Ronnie Hooker	o Yes
Tim Toler	o Yes
Fred McRoy, Jr	o N/A

Andy Roberts	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Mike Etheredge	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Chris Walker	<input type="radio"/> Yes
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Motion passed.

Mr. Toler made the motion to adjourn. Motion was second by Mr. Roberts. No objections motion passed.

