

June 1<sup>st</sup> Board of Directors Meeting

President Simmons Calls the meeting to order and opens with an invocation

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>__Jun__/_1_/2015</b>	<b>If Absent</b>
Eddie Barrow	<input type="radio"/> Absent	<input type="radio"/> Excused
Jamie Lawrence	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Ronnie Hooker	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Dewey Hannon	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Fred McRoy, Jr	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Andy Roberts	<input type="radio"/> Absent	<input type="radio"/> Excused
Carol Missildine	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Kimberly Coult	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Late
Tonya Parsons	<input type="radio"/> Absent	
Kelly France	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Jason Todd	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Jim Morris	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Bobby Simmons	<input type="radio"/> Present	
Darlene Harris	<input type="radio"/> Present	

Fred McRoy: makes a motion to excuse those not in attendances

Kelly France: seconds

President Simmons: thanks everyone for coming and gives out expense report for Darlene Harris

Darlene Harris: we came out of the spring show well, are there any questions everything else is pretty close to the same as our last meeting.

Member: How did we spend 14, 900 on awards I thought we only gave ribbons

Darlene Harris: That's exhibitor show awards, Paybacks and winnings

Fred McRoy: Melisa, are we covered well enough with this \$150 insurance, that seems cheap

Melisa: Yes, we are ok with that, we have to carry event insurance and that's the standard cost

President Simmons: at least coming out of Spring Celebration we have a better spring board to go into Fall Celebration this time

Melisa Taylor: we are carrying a balance in our savings account of \$72,209.02 and a balance in our checking account of \$22,230.70

President Simmons: We have started our planning for fall already, I have had some calls with Mack, and we are getting ready to really start our set up. Does anyone have any questions on the PNL sheet?

Darlene Harris: Just so everyone is aware we are planning to start July 1<sup>st</sup> charging the fees on the credit cards

President Simmons: That will help us out quite a bit, and remember also that in January we will have the adjustment in fees, are there any other questions or comments? Hearing none is there a motion to accept the treasurer's report?

Kelly France: makes a motion to accept the treasurer's report

Jason Todd: Seconds the motion

Motion Carriers

President Simmons: The next thing on our agenda is the HIO I am going to skip that for just a moment to give Kimberly enough time to get here, we are going to skip down to B discussing the subject that has come up involving Denny Russell, I have consulted our attorney and he has told me that because this is public property and it is open to the public that we do not have the authority to bar someone from the grounds. That's where we stand with this, I will Call Mr. Denny and explain this to him, he is already aware because he has checked into it himself but I want him to know that we called our attorney so we know exactly where we stand.

Member: Since we are on this topic I want to bring up something that has not set well with me, a young man and his wife came in to our last board meeting about the statements that were on the internet. Who is responsible for that?

Melisa: This entire board is responsible for that; everyone on this board received those papers before they were posted. It was noted that Chris was signing off on the survey.

President Simmons: I will be the first to admit I read that report at least twice.

Melisa: At the end of the survey all of the items that were hand written were typed up, and there was a typing error, and the way it came across was not very nice to an individual.

President Simmons: I read that report at least twice, and I never noticed it, until it was pointed out on that Saturday. I truly believe it was just a typographical error. The next thing on our agenda is going to be the HIO. We did have quite a few complaints come in on the HIO during Spring Celebration, some of them

were justified some of them were not. A lot of the problems we had are fixable, but I want to go over this first. This board voted to create the HIO program, after the guidelines and bases were set up this board voted again to go forward with it, and send it the USDA for approval. The board voted twice for the HIO program. The first proposal sent to the USDA was set up with the HIO oversight committee would be the President, the Chairman of the DQP committee and two appointed committee members, then it was sent back that they would not accept a trainer on the HIO oversight committee, so it was modified to read, the president, the manager, and two appointed members and they are in office for a 3 year term and they are Mr. Don Stisher and Mr. Ron Sparks. Both of these men are good friends of the breed. The way our program is set up we can't make a lot of changes, without having to start over. However we do have some problems, such as Spring Celebration we did not have a man there that was willing to step up and be head DQP, I have talked with JC Davis and he is willing to be the lead DQP. When you have someone willing to step up and take that position you can eliminate a lot of the problems that were encountered at Spring Celebration. What I want to propose is keep our HIO the way it was set up; and whoever our president is takes over as chairman for that committee. We have to keep these separate entities, but whoever is the president needs to keep everyone informed of what is happening.

I need a motion that we move forward with the way it was set up, the president of the RHBAA will be the chairman of the HIO oversight committee and at the end of their 3 year term the two non-affiliated committee members will be up for reelection.

Fred McRoy: makes a motion that we move forward with the way it was set up, the president of the RHBAA will be the chairman of the HIO oversight committee and at the end of their 3 year term the two non-affiliated committee members will be up for reelection

Kelly France: Seconds the motion

Motion Carries

President Simmons: before we move on, I would like to update everyone as to how our HIO is standing at the moment. The sheet that you are getting now shows all of the shows that there is paperwork in the office for. We know that there are more shows but this is what has been paid for and documented in the office.

With just these shows that are listed you can see that the HIO can pay her salary, and as the year goes on the situation should only improve more.

The next thing we are going to discuss, because of the way the HIO is set up, we no longer need the DQP Committee.

I suggest that we dissolve the DQP Committee, simply because Jamie Lawrence is catching undue flack, because members do not understand that he plays no role in our HIO, the committee itself was formed when we needed to voting seats in the past with the National Horse Commission.

Fred McRoy: let me make one suggestion, I would like to see the DQP Committee shelved, and not dissolved because if one of these act passes through congress we could need it again.

President Simmons: I think we can make a motion to shelve the committee and just have it listed as a non-functioning committee.

Darlene Harris: Let me ask a question all of these complaints that were given during Spring Celebration have they been addressed by the HIO Oversight committee.

President Simmons: Yes we have talked about them and we are addressing them. It basically boils down to the need for a lead DQP and we have talked about and have appointed that position to JC Davis. But as far as the DQP Committee goes to keep from having to go to a full membership vote, let's just shelve it for now.

Jamie Lawrence: makes a motion to make the DQP Committee a non-functioning committee because we have a DQP and there is no longer a need at this time for the committee and removes himself as chairman.

Fred McRoy: seconds the motion

Motion Carries

President Simmons: Has there been any advancements made on the rule book?

Ronnie Hooker: I am still working with things, as far as I understand we have never been contacted about the next step. If you look at past minutes it appears that we should have had some contact with Sara Beth.

President Simmons: My suggestion for this from what I have looked at is for instance with the pleasure division we give that section to Jim Morris who heads the pleasure division and they go over everything in this book that pertains to the pleasure division and make corrections and or changes. If we have each division done that way and at the end the board goes over each of those and makes the changes. We would not be changing the bylaws we would just be separating the bylaws and the rules.

Ronnie Hooker: That's what we have wanted to do from the beginning, I just want to make sure of the legal aspect, because in my spare time I have gone back to old rulebooks and old minutes, I know there are things that used to be in the rulebook but aren't now, and I can't find the minutes to back up why. So I can't figure out if it was inadvertently left out, or if was deliberate.

President Simmons: From what I can see what we need to do is start gathering information and see the differences and the things that we need to change, then we can go about finding out how to actually make the changes.

Ronnie Hooker: Our bottom line is separating the rules and bylaws that is our biggest need

President Simmons: From what I understand, the bylaws must be voted on by the membership, the day to day rules and running can be voted on by the board, what I am suggesting is we get our information in line and corrected and then whatever the voting process we can do it. If it needs to go to the membership we will already have it all together to go to them, and if it's just the board we can handle it and be done.

Darlene Harris: That is actually what the advisory committee was set up to do, they were supposed to be evaluating the rules and the running's and when they saw that a change needed to be made they would bring it to the attention of the board and then the board would vote to change or leave the rule in question.

President Simmons: My final question is, is the board ok with letting me find people who will step up and get this information corrected and then we can go from there and change it.

Melisa Taylor: May I ask a question, Ronnie out of the rule books and I know you have several, is there one that already has by laws and rules already separated.

Ronnie Hooker: Yes there is but its back from Joe Bright's time frame.

Melisa Taylor: I guess my question is, would it be easier to go back to that version of the rule book and then incorporate the changes from the new rule book.

Ronnie Hooker: I would rather go back to the older one, it's much easier to find things, and it's much more organized

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Break

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President Simmons: calls the meeting back to order

President Simmons: Back to the problem at hand I still think we need to split this book up into parts such as pleasure and performance, give the respective sections to those who know most about it. Let them gather all the information on changes that need to be made then address it as a whole and make the changes.

Kelly France: I make a motion to break the rule book into divisions, gather all information on changes that need to be made and then come back together and deal with everything all at once.

Jason Todd: Seconds

Motion Carries

President Simmons: Ok now Kelly I would like you to take the judging if you will divide it among your committee if needed but get everything together and ready for that. Jim Morris and Darlene if you will take the Pleasure Division, Fred McRoy you and I if you will, we will work on the performance portion of it; Of course if there is anyone who needs help with it feel free to ask it of those you feel are knowledgeable. Jim may have to wear two hats with Rules Enforcement and Pleasure. Ronnie if you could give us an overview of the differences between the old rule book and this new one, so we can see the big differences, let me know if you need any help with that. If Mack Hess and Kelly will work on the show portion of the book; I think we have everything covered now, but if something comes up we can address it at the point, and if anyone needs help please let me know.

Ok now we can move to our other changes we have made the credit surcharge changes and they will go into effect now, and that should add some money back to our bottom line. We also have some fee changes that will be taking place starting in January.

This is just a suggestion, we are short when it comes to stall rentals, we have a lot of people who stay on the grounds, but we have several horses that stay off the grounds and travel, we have thought about the possibility of requesting horses stay on the ground for up to 24 /48 hours before they show and of course that would help with stall rentals and our bottom line. I know this is controversial but we still have to address the financial side of this if we want to continue the fun side.

Jamie Lawrence: I rent my full barn each time even though I come back and forth. What are you going to do about Joe who wants to bring a pleasure horse just for one class? Does that mean he has to have a stall for 24 hours before the day he shows? If that's the case you will lose all or most of the small one or two class people.

President Simmons: I understand I am just trying to generate conversation on ideas of how to help face these problems that keep arising. We are losing sponsors, vendors and spectators.

Jamie Lawrence: Well what if when you enter a horse you get charged for a stall; whether you use it or not is your choice but you are charged for one. Not every time you enter just one time that is how they are going to be handling it at Shelbyville celebration.

Melisa Taylor: let me remind you when we went up on those fees, do you remember the general membership meeting, they were really raising cain just on that change.

President Simmons: Jamie please elaborate on your suggestion

Jamie Lawrence: For instance, I am going to rent my whole barn and the first day I will bring 10 horses to fill it. The next night I take those 10 horses home when I come back with 10 new horses I will have to pay a stall fee for those 10 new horses. The next day I take those 10 home and come back with my exact original 10 horses, I have already paid for them so I won't owe anything new. If I come back the next day with 5 repeat horses and 5 new horses I will only owe for the 5 new horses. It's just a onetime fee for that horse.

President Simmons: If you enter a horse then you will be charged for a stall if you enter 10 horses you will pay for 10 stalls if you enter 5 horses you will pay for 5 stalls, one time. This will be for spring and Fall Celebration.

Melisa Taylor: We will have to figure out the logistics of it as far as keeping track of which horse has been paid for so people can't double dip with the stalls.

Fred McRoy: We will have to figure this out, to be able to keep going.

Darlene Harris: Won't we run into the problem that a trainer will get here planning to show 35 head and say I want 35 stalls on these grounds right now. Do we have enough stalls to accommodate that request?

Melisa Taylor: We have right at 550-600 stalls

Kim Coult: There will be some trainers like Jamie who travel back and forth and swap out of the stalls in one barn.

Darlene Harris: I can just see that there will be some trainers who to be difficult will say fine I want this many stalls and I want my name on them and no one else can use them.

Melisa Taylor: I think this will be the situation "well I am only bringing this horse tonight, and you mean you're going to charge me \$75 for that stall".

Fred McRoy: Yes

Jamie Lawrence: That's tough yes but that's where I got the idea I hate comparing apples to grapefruit but if they can do it and trainers are willing to do it why not here. It would go over better than telling someone you have to have your horse on grounds for 24/48 hours before they show.

Darlene Harris: So if someone comes in and wants to only show on Sunday they will have to pay the \$100 something for a stall whether they use it or not.

Jamie Lawrence: Yes but if we do that we need to do away with the grounds fee it needs to be one fee.

Kimberly Coult: I agree, things are getting a little out of hand at celebration when you go there with all the fees and such, it costs around \$600 before you get in your first ride in the first class.

Darlene Harris: Maybe it needs to be worded as a grounds fee not a stall fee.

Melisa Taylor: Hold on, do you remember at winter meetings there was someone upset that we would not sell a camper spot for only 2 days and now we are requiring a grounds fee to bring a horse on the grounds. We have to make a choice do we want to say no you can't rent that for that short of a time. Just like Darlene was saying if someone comes in the last day to show in one class are we going to make them pay the same grounds fee that we are going to charge everyone else?

Darlene Harris: They were upset that when they arrived at show there were open camper spots available, and they argued that if you have rented them to me even at \$50 a night I would have done and you would have made another \$100 instead of me going somewhere else that would let me stay by the night.

President Simmons: Jamie: What is the cost at Celebration?

Jamie Lawrence: When you enter a horse you have a list that shows 1 entry fee, 1 stall, 1 grounds fee, DQP fee, First show fee, and you will need a barn pass. You have to pay all of that up front when you pre-enter.

President Simmons: What is the grounds fee?

Kimberly Coult: \$100 I think that's the first class after that initial cost it then decreases to about \$200 which is still outrageous but it is less than the first.

President Simmons: I have a question if you go to celebration and you show joe bob one night one and the grounds fee is \$100 when you come again on day 2 and want to show joe bob is it \$50 then or have you already paid it all ?

Kimberly Coult: No once you pay for Joe bob he is paid for you will not owe another grounds fee it's a onetime charge

Jason Todd: What is the stall to entry ratio?

Melisa Taylor: I don't know it has changed so much over the years for instance Jamie your sale in 2013 brought in almost \$1,300 to us but the one last year \$500. I would have to look up the exact numbers.

President Simmons: Anything we do is going to create more work for us, and I hear every one of you and agree with and see where you are coming from, but you have to remember we have to survive we have to have a long term goal in other words we can just say I don't want to argue and let it go. We have to have a long term goal and we have to reach it. Things are changing, and we have to come up with ways that are fair and equal but will allow us to stay afloat and continue to show.

Dewey Hannon: What is the charge right now for working out of your trailer?

Melisa Taylor: For Spring its \$15 per night or if they want to purchase all 4 days at one time its \$30 , That is per trailer not per horse. At World Celebration they can pay a fee of \$70 for the week or \$10 per night, again per trailer.

Kelly France: When we do that and allow it, there are 100 ways they are getting around the system.

President Simmons: I hope everyone is seeing that we have to make a change.

Melisa Taylor: Right now we are the cheapest place to show a horse in the south.

President Simmons: We just have to make a change, I can remember back in the day that we had so many places sponsoring horse shows we didn't have to drive more than 50 to 100 miles every weekend to a show, we don't have that anymore.

Melisa Taylor: One thing to that; in this rule book there is no protocol or rules on how to start a chapter it's not in here at all.

Jamie Lawrence: Fred, Dewey, Kim, and Carol what do you think is fair, you guys are the owners.

Fred McRoy: I usually keep my mouth shut, but I am tired of coming down here and spending thousands of dollars, during the fall, and these guys can ride over here for \$10 that's bull.

President Simmons: At this point we have two proposals, this is going to be up to the board no one person is making this decision. I am just trying to convey to you the financial situation and the money that we are losing. So the decision is up to you do you want to make it a stall fee or do you want to call it a grounds fee per horse.

**Member: I think you need to word it as grounds fee but in it say that it will include one stall.**

Kelly France: So you're not going to charge these one night guys the same as everyone else?

**Member: Oh no they are going to have to pay the same thing as everyone else.**

Jamie Lawrence: It would be a wonderful problem to have but if we had 1000 horses here we wouldn't have 1000 stalls for all of them.

President Simmons: Yes that would be a problem but it would be one we could come back and resolve real quick. But right now we need to decide which way the board wants to go with this. Grounds fee or stall fee.

Melisa Taylor: We need to call it both so that it is incorporated in writing explaining exactly what it is.

Kimberly Coult: The only thing I worry about is people bringing in horses just to sell, they never come to the office they never register for a class, but even trainers bring in horses that sit in a stall and just ride them during the day but they are here only to sell. I am just thinking when you are at the gate it's very hard for volunteer people to handle. At the show grounds in Tennessee it's an actual security person running the gate. They either have a list or take down the person's name off their driver's license when they come in and how many horses they are bringing. That would be the only way you could have a check and balance system.

President Simmons: Yes I agree but those are logistics issues to deal with after we have made a decision.

Jamie Lawrence: We will always have people try to get around it.

Melisa Taylor: I have actually caught people in it and had them pay the fees they owe, but it's very difficult.

Kimberly Coult: The only way to catch these people is as they come in take a list of names, from their driver's license count the number of horses on their trailer and each night the gate brings the list into the office and we compare and then go to those people and collect at that point.

President Simmons: So right now the way we have it we have a grounds fee/ Stall and you will pay that per horse one time, if you decide to bring it back you wouldn't pay again it's just the one-time fee.

Melisa Taylor: So they pay an entry fee and the grounds / stall fee

Ronnie Hooker: I am afraid by doing this we are going to lose a lot of the 1 horse traveling people. We can't survive only on the big groups any more there aren't enough. We need those small people and I think we will lose them. I mean whatever you do it won't affect me and my clients but I think we will lose a lot.

Kimberly Coult: I agree I think that will happen at World Celebration especially.

President Simmons: Anything we do will have to be more than we are doing now, and we are going to have to raise it high enough that it will make us some money and we will be able to afford to enforce it.

Kelly France: I think the one night people will be more apt to pay the fee if they got a stall as well, that way they are getting something for their fee, right now they may feel they are paying for nothing at all. So by getting a stall they might be more willing to pay it.

Jamie Lawrence: I hate bringing it up again but if we went to pre entries ... it would fix just about all of this.

President Simmons: I want everyone to vote on the concept of this, and then after we vote we can go back and figure out the details, we just need to vote on the concept now.

Carol Misseldine: makes a motion that if you enter a horse (And or brings a horse on the grounds) you must pay grounds fee/stall fee one time.

Fred McRoy: Seconds the motion

Jamie Lawrence Yes  
Ronnie Hooker No  
Dewey Hannon Yes  
Fred McRoy Yes  
Carol Misseldine Yes  
Kimberly Coult Yes  
Kelly France Yes  
Jason Todd Yes

The Motion passes 7 to 1

Fred McRoy: I would like an email with the details listed before we have a conference call

President Simmons: Ok we can do that, ok the next thing on our list is presidential duties, on page 18 of your rule book go down to section 4.7 it says "President shall preside at all meetings of the members of

the board of directions and the executive committee, of which he is president. The president shall have all powers and duties usually incident of the office of president except that specifically limited by a resolution of the board of directors. The president shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time. By the board of directors, the president shall be ex-officio member and is not entitled to vote of every committee permanent or temporary of the RHBAA and he shall act as the liaison between each committee and the board of directors as well as liaison between the executive director and the staff and the board of directors.

What I am asking today is in order for this business to run on a day to day basis, I am in contact with Melisa daily but in a lot of instances my hands are tied on decision that need to be made in order to just run the day to day business of this association. It's a job to try to get everyone together in order to get a consensus I work on some other boards and our president is allowed to run the day business but at the same time he is accountable to his board for his actions. But he still has the authority to take care of day to day actions in the business. For instance there were certain things that happened at spring celebration that did not merit running and getting everyone together explaining the situation and then voting. But everyone who has ever been in this position has been tied the same way.

Jamie Lawrence somebody needs to have the authority we need to be able to put the trust and authority we can't run this thing, no successful business is run by a board. Somebody needs to have the authority to run the everyday things.

President Simmons: Well that is what I am asking for.

Kimberly Coult: Could you give us an example of what you mean by day to day running?

President Simmons: At the moment I can't think of specific items.

Kimberly Coult: I was asking because day to day business at my business is simply taking care of the customers that specific day, paying the bills taking care of a repair, that's why I was asking what you were considering a non-day to day item.

President Simmons: Things that come up, day to day are sometimes as simple as questions ... that I don't have the authority to answer, I have to say I will get back to you on that.

Fred McRoy: Kimberly it's not spending money etc, there are limits set as a whole to that. For instance a few weeks ago the building flooded, they were stripping the floors and removing carpet and painting the floors and spraying for things and I just let the girls go home.

Kimberly Coult: Why would you need the board to make that decision that should be a no brainer?

President Simmons: I am asking for your support on those decisions because our rule book does not give that. It says the only authority I have is what you give me.

Kimberly Coult: I'm sorry but I don't agree with this, I think it is giving one person too much control and that is not what we are about, if you can't give us specific examples I have to say I can't agree with it, it's nothing against you personally. I just don't think one person should have that much control.

Jamie Lawrence: I have argued this for the past few years because Chris would bring us things that were totally irrelevant and we would discuss half a day because that's what he had to do. But we never could get it done.

Kimberly Coult: I am not disagreeing with this at all I just need a better explanation of what the day to day things are. It is being left to broad based right now.

President Simmons: I understand what you are asking for as well, but I don't see any way to give you a direct answer of line line line line line, because it entails what set of situations will come up tomorrow, we are talking things that are things that can be handled without bringing it to the board, but things that included like expenditure major and all that all that will go back to board like always.

Jamie Lawrence: Again I have argued for a long time, this thing is not big enough for all of us to run it, I think we need to give the president the go ahead and report back to us several times a year and we can access everything at that point. We are just committee'd to death here.

Fred McRoy: Makes a motion that the president be able to run the day to day operations of the RHBAA and to be accountable to the board for those decisions.

Kelly France: Seconds

Jamie Lawrence No  
Ronnie Hooker No  
Dewey Hannon Yes  
Fred McRoy Yes  
Carol Misseldine Yes  
Kimberly Coult No  
Kelly France Yes  
Jason Todd Yes

Motion Passes 5 yes 3 no

President Simmons: The next thing we have to do is we need to form our election committee to take care of the elections that are coming up. We have 4 Board positions that will open. Must consist of a 12 member election committee and a chairman the chairman must be on the board. They are appointed by the executive committee and the board of directors. No more than 4 from any particular state and no one on the committee can run.

Melisa Taylor: They don't have to be on the board, just the Chair man

**People Nominated:**

**David Latham**  
**Larry Latham**  
**Andy Roberts**  
**Glenda Eddie Barrow**  
**Jason**  
**Josh Burchfield**

**Chairman –**

President Simmons: The next thing is not on the agenda but this organization was run for years with a lot more entries than we have now and for fall celebration we used 3 judges. And now we are paying 5 judges. If we were able to cut back to 3 judges that would save quite a bit of money.

Kelly France: We went to 5 judges because that's what the membership wanted.

Melisa Taylor: Yes that is right it was what the membership wanted but now, it I think it is going to have to be what the membership can afford. Sometimes we can't have what we want.

Fred McRoy: I have talked to a few different people and they wanted to bring up some points on the horse show, and 3 judges were something they suggested as well.

President Simmons: Do any of you have a problem with that? Mack and I have discussed it and now we are bringing it to you for the decision.

Jason Todd: I see the money wise but if you have one particular judge who throws you away in a 3 judge system its life or death. I do see the financial end of it though.

Kimberly Coult: Would you still have alternates or no?

President Simmons: We will have at least one because of the oversight committee, there has to be at least one alternate in case one judge has to be removed.

Kimberly Coult: But even if you lose someone

President Simmons: But yes we will have at least one alternate, does everyone agree with that though we will be ok with 3 judges.

Jason Todd: I think it's a bad idea, if you have 3 judges and one decides to throw you away in each class in a 3 judge system its life or death.

Kelly France: Well guess what, now you have that committee that Mr. Bobby is sitting on and a judge is being that crooked he will step in and dismiss them.

President Simmons: Yes we fully intend to do that if it comes down to it, it will happen and if it needs to it will happen during the show. So if it's ok with all of you I will pass the message to Mack to go ahead with the 3 Judge system.

Jason Todd: This is a little off base but I found a Beat from 1987 did you realize that our line classes' in 1987 paid \$400 1<sup>st</sup> place, and now we are paying \$350; you're talking almost 30 years later.

Melisa Taylor: But when you look at it you didn't change anything else, to supplement yourself later on.

Jason Todd: We only had an \$8 entry fee we have \$100 now

Melisa Taylor: Yes but what I mean is you didn't pay that much for your stalls. That's what I am trying to get across to everyone back then we had the numbers so we gave that kind of money but we didn't look at ourselves for down the road if we came on hard times.

Jason Todd: We just raised all of our fees back at winter meetings and now a grounds fee that I am totally in support of but we are going to cut our judges back to three and possibility look at not spending as much money on our fall celebration.

President Simmons: Oh no that money will stay the same for celebration no one is changing that.

Jason Todd: I think just with a prestige factor we just need something.

Jamie Lawrence: But we don't have it, I agree with prestige but we don't have it. We are lucky to be able to do the \$350 right now.

Fred McRoy: On a different note, we were at a horse show and Lance called me and they were catching flack about the junior auxiliary classes they wanted them qualifying classes, he just said the juvenile but you have other auxiliary classes should they all be qualifying ?

Kelly France: They never have been

Melisa Taylor: The Juvenile has not but the ladies do.

Fred McRoy: Ok that sounds good what do we need to do about the juvenile auxiliary situation.

Melisa Taylor: If we had the class 17 and under if it's a specified championship class a 12 and under then that horse or that child is 12 and under it must go in the 12 and under class it is qualified but it has to go in the 12 and under class.

Jamie Lawrence: True but several years ago we had someone show in the pony class with a little 10 or 11 year old kid and he showed back in the 12 and under STAKE they wouldn't let him do that.

Melisa Taylor: That's because the pony class isn't a qualifying class.

Fred McRoy: I have one more thing before we finish up with the polygraph.

President Simmons: I will have Jim write that out in more detail so that you will have it specified about the Polygraph.

Melisa Taylor: As far as I understand it's a rule change Mr. Hooker had a horse that went into the juvenile auxiliary class I had already ask rules enforcement was its qualifying class they told me no it has always been a qualifying class previous to but it is changed now in the rule book.

Therefore since rules enforcement and me being show committee chairman I was told by rules enforcement that it would not qualify, I have to go by that. Because it is a members only class it wasn't open to everyone, not every 12 year old could walk in and show in a juvenile auxiliary class.

But we cannot find it in the rule book so if the board decides that as long as a juvenile is going with all criteria of the juvenile auxiliary they can show in my opinion and it can be a qualifying class.

In the past as long as it was Juvenile Auxiliary it qualified you, ladies amateur etc. those did not only juvenile but I was told by rules enforcement that the juvenile classes were not qualifying classes.

Fred McRoy: I have a question about our vets could we get two or three vets and pay them something to be on call during the show.

President Simmons: We have called basically all of the vets in the area and they will not rotate they won't be on call.

Fred McRoy: I had a horse almost colic last year, and I finally found a guy that would come out and help but I want to find something more permanent if something was to happen we need someone who will help. We just need someone on call. It's not a question.

Melisa Taylor: What we have run into in the past, vets will come out and do the work and then receive a bad check they don't want to come back.

Kimberly Coult: Why won't they come; there are vets everywhere at the walking horse celebration.

Fred McRoy: The vets that I called said we aren't the shows vet and I won't come on the grounds.

Kelly France: According to the vet that I sent my horse to he told me that it was a state law if you had a show veterinarian listed on your program that they were really not allowed legally to do that.

Fred McRoy: Could we call the guy that helped me and see if we could put him on retainer, we HAVE to have someone here if we get in trouble.

President Simmons: What we can do is call a few and then talk to the show manager.

Kimberly Coult: It would be unlawful to only give people one name, you need to give people at least 3 choices because if you refer someone with only one name given and something happens then you can be held responsible. So legally we need to change that.

Fred McRoy: I have one more thing that came to me during Spring Celebration it goes back to appearance some people were using shackles on the grounds and people wanted to know what they were and why they were being used. Perception is a big deal, and I think if we can we need to not allow that on the grounds.

Jamie Lawrence: I'm not sure it matters the saddle-breds use them to warm up with.

Fred McRoy: I don't care either way I just wanted to bring it up.

Dewey Hannon: I had a question about the judges I know we are cutting back to 3 judges to save money, but what these judges are being paid has not changed since the late 90's, in 1996 I was paid \$1,650 to judge, I know we are not judging to make money but as long as we are here eating out and traveling it's just very hard to do it.

Melisa Taylor: The research that we have done shows us, that other shows are paying \$200 a day. Have they gone up without us knowing?

Jason Todd: Now a Saturday night show is about \$300

Kelly France: I made \$4000 for 4 days at the Rocky Mountain Celebration

Dewey Hannon: I am not saying split the money we are saving between the 3 judges but if you added just a little bit to it, it would make it easier.

Jason Todd: I think we should pay them at least \$2000

Dewey Hannon: I just think a small change would help.

Melisa Taylor: The board actually voted for a change but when I saw how things were going last year we had to put a hold on it.

Dewey Hannon: I am just looking at it from when I was head of the Judges committee I would ask you judge all these others shows but not World Celebration, why ? Their response was always I can't afford to.

Kimberly Coult: Ok let's look at it this way this is our World Celebration we are paying our judge less than what they can make on a Saturday night show why would they want to judge ? Why would you want your good judges and coming in and judging then when they are sought after many other places for Saturday night shows? I just think that they should get a raise I think we might get a lot more names on there if we did. I think we should pay the judges \$2,000 for World Celebration

President Simmons: Just remember that by only using 3 judges we would have saved \$3000 by raising the judges pay we have just used \$1500 of that \$3000, and we still have to pay an alternate, because they won't come without payment.

Melisa Taylor: We can use them as workers.

Kimberly Coult: Makes a motion to raise the judges and alternates pay to \$2000

Jason Todd: Seconds

Melisa Taylor: Before we vote I just want to let you know the man that sat out there at Spring Celebration and did the whole last night by hand does not even make \$400 I have crunched and held people together, and if quality is what you want I understand but this little boy is good too and we have to remember that.

Kimberly Coult: I understand but what has been the number 1 thing that we have been talking about since I have been here at least, the judges and the judging system and if you don't have quality judges then no one will want to show.

Melisa Taylor: Ok motion on the floor Roll call vote

Jamie Lawrence Yes

Ronnie Hooke Yes

Dewey Hannon No

Fred McRoy No

Carol Misseldine No

Kimberly Coult Yes

Kelly France No

Jason Todd Yes

Mr. President according to the rule book you now have a 4 to 4 tie and now the president cannot vote.

Kelly France: I have one question, does the alternate have to abide by the same rules at the judges they cannot be out on the grounds mingling until they come into center ring at the horse show.

Kimberly Coult: The alternate should have to do the same as the judges.

Kelly France: That's why I am asking right now they are not.

Jamie Lawrence: Didn't we put that into effect after so many failed etc. that the alternates would have to be dressed and ready each night in case they are needed just the way the judges are.

Melisa Taylor: You talked about and as a show committee we did that at spring but it was never made a rule.

Kimberly Coult: If you are paying them as a judge they need to act and be treated as such.

President Simmons: Would you consider amending your motion to pay the alternate as a steward unless he or she is put in the judge's position and a revote.

Fred McRoy: I will make the motion that all 3 judges are paid \$2000 and the alternate is paid as a steward unless called to judge.

Kimberly Coult: Is the alternate going to be treated as a judge?

Jamie Lawrence: He needs to be

Melisa Taylor: He was at spring

President Simmons: We will have to do it like we did at spring he will be sequestered just like the other judges but he will understand that he will get paid as a steward unless called to a judge's position.

Kimberly Coult: What if we compromised because he is being sequestered which I think is totally necessary but gets paid a lesser judges fee but more than a steward. Let's say give him the \$1500 instead of the \$2000.

Kimberly Coult: Makes a motion, I will change my motion that was raise the judges pay to \$2000 and the Alternate \$1500 all of them to be sequestered and his or her pay will be raised to \$2000 if they are called to judge.

Jason Todd: Seconds

Jamie Lawrence Yes

Ronnie Hooke Yes

Dewey Hannon Yes

Fred McRoy Yes

Carol Misseldine Yes

Kimberly Coult Yes

Kelly France Yes

Jason Todd Yes

Fred McRoy: we have one more problem the horse shoe of roses, up until now Judy always did the horse shoe of roses

President Simmons: Due to Judy being so sick lately she won't be doing the horse shoe of roses, she has always done them to help keep our cost done.

Kimberly Coult: What is the cost?

Melisa Taylor: We probably pay \$1500 for 40 of them

President Simmons: Would you all be opposed to recycle them, before you say no, I would mean adding more flowers to them freshening them up because we all have some nice horse shoe of roses it would just save a lot for us.

Fred McRoy: If we bought the supplies would the girls have time to do them.

Kimberly Coult: For the \$1500 I could figure it out and get them done.

Jason Todd: I make a motion to pay Kimberly the \$1500 and she will provide 40 horse shoes of roses  
Dewey Hannon I second the motion.

President Simmons: Kimberly has just volunteered to be paid \$1500 and provide us with 40 horse shoes of roses, Thank you, I know there will be an decent out of pocket expense as well and that is a wonderful gesture toward out show and I personally thank you for it.

All in favor say aye

All opposed, hearing none the motion passes

President Simmons: The committee report s is next is there anything from the committees that need to be discussed? Not hearing any I entertain a motion to adjourn

Jason Todd: Makes a motion to adjourn

Kelly France: Seconds

All in favor aye

All opposed hearing none

Motion passes

