President Simmons brought the meeting to order Roll Call

Eddie Barrow	Here
Ricky Parker	Here
Ronnie Hooker	Here
Dewey Hannon	Here
Fred McRoy	Here
Brian Perkins	Here
Carol Misseldine	Here
Kimberly Coult Walden	Absent
Tonya Parsons	Here
Danny Musick	Here
Jason Todd	Here
Jim Morris	Here
Bobby Simmons	Here
Darlene Harris	Here

Dewey Hannon gave the invocation

President Simmons request executive session to speak about the law suit President Simmons requests to exit executive session

Information on the USDA Rule change, this rule change will involve taking away the chains the pads the weighted shoe from any horse less than 2 years of age. When it is posted tomorrow it will start a 60 comment period for the purposed rule change and at the end of the 60 days if they decide to proceed it will go to the President's desk. At this time I have been contacted by Joan Kemp who is working with the walking horse industry, they are trying to put together a legal team to try to fight this, they are requesting as the organization if we could contribute some money towards this legal fund.

A contribution would allow us to be in with all first-hand information and I think that is very important because this will affect us directly.

Fred McRoy made a motion that we donate \$10,000 from the RHBAA and then give up our horse shoe of roses for World Celebration and she will donate that \$5,000 to this as well so we will give a total of \$15,000 and then we recommend to the HIO that they give \$5 per horse that is inspected Kimberly Coult Seconds the motion

Eddie Barrow	No
Ricky Parker	Yes
Ronnie Hooker	Yes

No
Yes

The motion carries

President Simmons the ballots for judges have gone out and will be due back the 14th

Jason Todd the judges committee will count the ballots, the members of the committee that are on the ballots will not be counting but they will be present along with President Simmons. We have 18 people on the ballot to judge we had to remove a few names one due to judging violations a few due to not returning their paper work in time. I, Josh Burchfield and Tonya Parson will be doing the actual counting.

President Simmons ok moving on to other business I want to take this time to let you know this will be my last year as President. I have spoken with Bill Stricklend and he is willing to take on this position. I would like to make a proposal that I bring him in to watch and see what goes on and how things happen here, so he will be prepared to take over the position instead of just throwing someone in the position and have them learn everything all at once.

Kimberly Coult made a motion to allow Bill Stricklend to shadow and help President Simmons and allow him to learn the position.

Jason Todd Seconds the motion

Eddie Barrow	Yes
Ricky Parker	Yes
Ronnie Hooker	Yes
Dewey Hannon	Yes
Fred McRoy	Yes
Brian Perkins	Yes
Carol Misseldine	Yes
Kimberly Coult Walden	Yes
Tonya Parsons	Yes
Danny Musick	Yes
Jason Todd	Yes
Jim Morris	Yes

The motion carries

Kimberly Coult Walden lets the board know that she will be willing to sit on the board involving the USDA when the necessity arises.

President Simmons thank you and we will call you when we need that to happen.

Ricky Parker made a motion to dismiss Kimberly Coult Walden seconds the motion

President Simmons the meeting is adjourned.