

**Nebraska Appaloosa Club
Board of Director's Meeting**

**January 17, 2007 at 6:00 P.M.
Vet Care, Grand Island, NE**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Darron Locke at 6:00 P.M. The following members were present: Darron Locke, Steve, Schafer, Mel Schmidt, Laurie Andrews, Tami Radney, Laura Thompson, Kim Trumble, Jeff Schimmer. The following members were absent: Annette Renken, Amye Lilienthal and Dana Vettel.

II. Approval of Minutes of the December 2, 2006 meeting.

Motion by Steve Schafer, second by Tami Radney, to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2006 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

III. Treasurer Report

Mel Schmidt reports there is currently \$7168.22 in the main account. She will email an official report to the Board members within a week. Motion by Tami Radney, second by Laura Thompson, to approve the treasurer's report as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Dana Vettel enters the meeting.

IV. Old Business

1. **Sales of shavings at State 4-H.** Darron will contact Kathy Anderson about selling shavings at the State 4-H show. The club has previously purchased shavings from Gene McCloud. At the awards banquet, Martha Tacha and Rita Erickson offered to help chair this project. Darron will contact them and he will also look into purchasing a trailer in which to keep the shavings.

2. **Sponsorships.** Many suggestions were presented of ways to support and maintain club sponsors. After discussion regarding sponsorships, the vision of the club, and club goals, motion by Mel Schmidt, second by Laura Thompson, to develop a marketing committee to be chaired by Darron Locke, who will have the ability to appoint committee members. The committee will have the authority to take action in marketing decisions for the club. All in favor, motion carried.

3. **June/October Showbill changes**

a. **Show improvement ideas**

Motion by Mel Schmidt, second by Laura Thompson, to: split youth trail into two classes (13 & Under and 14-18), add youth English Showmanship to the October show, add non-pro and youth Hunter-in-Hand, add Masters Western Showmanship, Western Equitation, English Pleasure and English Equitation, and add youth Saddle Seat Pleasure. The English classes at the October show should be on Friday and the western classes should be on Saturday. All in favor, motion carried.

b. **Prices**

After discussion about charging for stalls, motion by Laura Thompson, second by Dana Vettel, to raise the package fees by \$5. All other fees will remain the same and J/S will bring the cattle. All in favor, motion carried.

4. **Fall Banquet Getaway**

Motion by Tami Radney, second by Kim Trumble, to request Trina Rother to look into a location for the fall banquet, with the possibility of combining the awards banquet in Norfolk with the CON club. Darron will talk to a representative of CON. All in favor, motion carried.

5. **Newsletter**

The Newsletter will be sent twice a year per regular mail.

V. **New Business**

1. **Show decisions**

a. **Pizza Party**

Dana Vettel will again coordinate the pizza party at the June show.

b. **Challenged Riders**

The challenged riders will ride at both the June and October shows.

2. **July show format**

Tami Radney will obtain information about having an open show, combined with possibly a jackpot roping/reining show.

3. **Separate Club Events**

a. **Husker Harvest Days**

Will fall under the marketing committee.

b. **Schools**

Will fall under the marketing committee.

4. **Deadline for the Directory**

The deadline for having ads to Karen Lewis is February 12, 2007

5. **Mission Statement review**

The marketing committee will develop an action plan for the club. Send emails to Darron with ideas.

6. **Web site/Club points**

Darron has two feelers out for a new and/or updated website. This decision then falls under the marketing committee. Club points should be kept current on the website.

7. **Show points/audits**

There have been some discrepancies in points and bills for exhibitors. Darron will discuss the concerns with the Urbains.

8. **ApHC exemplary club**

Will fall under the marketing committee.

9. **State Fair update**

There is not a breed representative or superintendent for the state fair. Darron will look into finding one.

10. **Earn Your Spurs rule review**

11. **Youth events**

Tami Radney will pursue forming an official youth club.

12. **What to Know Before You Show review**
Affirmation that a Youth Lease must be signed prior to walking into a class for points to count. Affirmed the publication.
13. **Date for Spring Meeting**
Mel Schmidt will contact Denny Placzek and the spring meeting date will be set for when the YMCA is available.
14. **Regional Club Report**
Laurie Andrews will send in the report on February 1. Please send information to her prior to that date.
15. **Five Star Futurity (September 1)**
This is held the same date as the State Fair. The club has chosen to support the state fair and will not actively support this futurity.
16. **New Board Member appointment**
Amye Lilienthal has resigned from the Board. Her term expires in 2007. Darron will appoint a member to complete the term.
17. **Trail Ride**
Will seek a coordinator at the spring meeting.

VI. Adjourn

Motion by Tami Radney, second by Kim Trumble, to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Andrews
Secretary
Nebraska Appaloosa Club