

**ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
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Please refer to the end of the Minutes for Exhibit I.

Lance Walters, President called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:07 a.m., November 14, 2012, at the Denver Marriott Tech Center, Denver, Colorado.

PRESENT:

Lance Walters	Peggy Weems	Frank Gaddie
Dale Harvill	Tague Johnson	Gary Hooghkirk
David Garrett	Cecile Hetzel Dunn	Walter Misco
Sue Meyer	Chris Culbreth	Gerald McDonald
Dave Corning	Cynthia Richardson	Dan Cross
Jan Decker	Margo Smith Shallcross	Bruce Johnson
Myron Krause	Laura Mickelson	Hamp Johnston
Mary Ann Hughes	Angela O'Neill	Dick Reed
Jeff Reichman	Eric Wolfe	Russ Taylor
Steve Freeman	Cathy Gage	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Glenn Petty, Executive Vice President; various members of the AHA staff; and various AHA members were present at the Board of Directors meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the Board of Directors agenda of November 14, 2012 be approved as amended.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #1-11/14/12-BOD**)

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Lance Walters, President, welcomed the directors, guests and staff present at the meeting. Mr. Walters thanked everyone for their service during his four years of presidency.

CONSENT BOARD ITEMS

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the Board of Directors receive the Consent Board items.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #2-11/14/12-BOD**)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Jan Decker, Secretary, gave a synopsis on the September 19, 2012 Executive Committee vote and the November 13, 2012 Executive Committee meeting. (**See Exhibit I**).

SUBMISSION OF BOARD MINUTES TO OFFICIAL BOOKS

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MOTION by Jan Decker, That the August 10, 2012 Board of Directors meeting minutes that were approved on September 25, 2012 be submitted to the Official Books of AHA. It was noted that the vote record needed to be revised to show that Sue Meyer voted no on Motion #6-08/10/12-BOD.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #3-11/14/12-BOD**)

Discussion was held and it was determined that all Sweepstakes Trustees meeting minutes shall be separate from the AHA Board of Director minutes in the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was given by Dave Corning. Mr. Corning reviewed the September 2012 Unaudited Financial Statements.

MOTION by Dave Corning:

Whereas, The Executive Committee identified the need to further define the current 5% budget variance policy (see BOD Motion #5-5/15/09; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That effective immediately the AHA Policies to Govern the Business Operations of AHA be amended to add:

“That all requests for material changes in revenues or expenditures not considered in the budget are to be reviewed by the Budget & Finance Committee. The Budget & Finance Committee will submit to the Board of Directors its recommendation as to the appropriateness of the request. Material changes or expenditures will be defined as a budget variance being equal to or greater than 5% or \$15,000 of the negative net contribution to the project/event individual line item. All material budget variances must have Board of Director's approval.

Effective: Immediately.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #4-11/14/12-BOD**)

The Board of Directors gave a round of applause to Dave Corning, Treasurer; and, Brad Short, Controller, for all of their hard work on AHA's finances.

PROPER BOARD PROTOCOL GUIDELINES

Lance Walters, President, advised that the Board of Directors Reference Manual will be updated to include a policy on Board members participating in discussions on social media. The revised manual will be distributed to all of the Board members for review and approval at the March 2013 meeting.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Glenn Petty gave the Executive Vice President Report. Mr. Petty reported on staffing, new parliamentarian, Equine Breed Meeting in September, equine youth officer annual meetings to start next year, legal issues, building concerns, and new scanner issues.

Brad Short, Controller, reported on the budget and trends.

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Heather Ellzey, HR & Office Services Director, reported on the new scanner, staffing, and upcoming staff training meetings.

Molly Gunning, IT Senior Director, reported on standard department support, on line payments, racing module, Horse Registration System (HRS), website redesign, and staff work stations.

Leslie Lockard, Membership & Competitions Senior Director, reported on 2013 regional show applications, show statistics, club revocations, and resolution amendments.

Debbie Fuentes, Registry Services Senior Director, reported on registration statistics, random DNA testing at U.S. Nationals, outreach and alliance activity, AHA to sponsor the 2013 National Pedigreed Livestock Council annual meeting, and transfer statistics.

Bill Harless, Marketing Senior Director, reported on plans to elevate branding in the market place, corporate sponsors and partners, website redesign, and implementing a long-range marketing strategic plan.

Shawna Strickland, Youth & Family Programs Director, reported on the Judging Contest, silent auction, new youth initiatives, and AHYA Board meeting to be held on Sunday.

BILLBOARDS

Lance Walters, President, stated that he had received a request to revisit agenda item #5.A. September 19, 2012 Executive Committee motion regarding billboards. Cynthia Richardson, Region 8 Director, requested that the Board members be given a detailed report on the promotional funds expenditure for billboards. Mr. Walters advised that he had been approached by an AHA member who was an executive for a billboard advertising company. The company offers non-profits [501(c)(3)] free billboard space that is not being used throughout the U.S. if the non-profit company funds the graphics and paper to be used. Mr. Walters advised that the Arabian Horse Foundation, which is a 501(c)(3) has agreed to run this venture through their non-profit. It was agreed that the designs for the billboards would be forwarded to the Board of Directors for consideration prior to submitting them to the billboard advertising company.

JUDGES & STEWARDS COMMISSIONER REPORT

Stan Morey gave the Judges & Stewards Commissioner Report. Mr. Morey advised that there are 258 AHA judges and 126 Stewards. Mr. Morey reported on the judging at U.S. Nationals. The 2012 Fall Exhibitors/Judges School and Judges Evaluation will be held December 6-9, 2012 in Scottsdale, Arizona. The Board members were also advised that the 2013 Judges Seminar and National/Regional Judges Testing will be held December 10-12, 2012 in Scottsdale, Arizona. Lance Walters, President, thanked Mr. Morey for being AHA's ambassador for fairness in the show ring and he received a round of applause from the Board of Directors.

STANDING RULES OF THE AHA ANNUAL CONVENTION

Charles Bass, Agenda & Resolutions Committee Chair, presented the Standing Rules of the AHA Annual Convention to the Board members.

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RESOLUTIONS RECEIVED AFTER DEADLINE

Charles Bass, Agenda & Resolutions Committee Chair, reported that one resolution was received after the deadline and distributed to the delegates as Resolution # EE1-12 Select Rider Further Defined (USEF/EC). The Board of Directors was advised that this resolution will be considered in General Session immediately following Resolution # 15-12.

CONVENTION INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS/ANNUAL CONVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Kate Cooper, Product Marketing Coordinator, welcomed the Board of Directors to the 2012 Convention. Ms. Cooper made general administrative announcements and reviewed the Convention schedule. Frank Gaddie, Board Liaison, gave the Annual Convention Planning Committee report. Mr. Gaddie gave an update on the progress being made for the 2013 Convention.

CHANGE CLUB REGIONAL AFFILIATION

MOTION by Tague Johnson:

Whereas, The International Arabians in Sport Association (club #15247) has requested to move their regional affiliation from Region 15 to Region 5; and
Whereas, A precedence has been set by allowing the AHA of Nebraska and Arabian Horse Society of South Dakota to switch their regional affiliations; and
Whereas, The club members of the International Arabians in Sport Association and both the Regional 5 and 15 Directors are in favor of this move; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the International Arabians in Sport Association be granted approval to move their regional affiliation from Region 15 to Region 5.
Effective: December 1, 2012.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #5-11/14/12-BOD**)

NOMINATIONS

Boards/Commissions/Committees—The following members were nominated as candidates:

AHA Futurity Commission: Mary Jane Brown (Region 4), Charles Rickart (Region 10), and John Ryan (Region 8); **AHA National Distance Commission:** Claude Clark (Region 6) and Tony Troyer (Region 11); **Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Commission:** Grace Greenlee (Region 12) and Russ Taylor (Region 9); **Canadian National Show Commission:** Dave Daugherty (Region 14) and Allan Ehrlick (Region 18); **Commissioner's Review Panel:** Rik Harnden (Region 3) (Amateur), Michele Culbreth (Region 7) (Breeder), Marty Kleiner (Region 15) (Show Manager), and Cynthia Reid (Region 2) (Steward); **Education/Evaluation Commission:** Mary Jane Brown (Region 4), Lori Conway (Region 10), Cecile Hetzel Dunn (Region 6), Juli Goder-Larson (Region 10) and Chuck Mangan (Region 8); **Ethical Practice Review Board:** Bevra Cole (Region 10), Joe Hull (Region 14) (Attorney), and Cory Soltau (Region 3) (Judge); **Internal Audit Committee:** Cynthia Richardson (Region 8); **Judges & Stewards Selection Committee:** Judie Mitten (Region 7), Marilyn Norton (Region 11), and Angela O'Neill (Region 11); **Market Development & Promotion Committee (Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Representatives):** Mary Trowbridge (Region 8); **Nominating Committee:** Tony Conner (Region 14), Nancy Harvey (Region 1), Deborah Johnson (Region 3), Christine Ryan (Region 15), and Larry Shallcross (Region 9); **Probable Cause Panel:** Jeff Reichman (Region 2) (Attorney), and Jane Whitwell

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(Region 18); **Registration Commission (AHA Representatives):** Sherry Layne (Region 7); **Sport Horse National Show Commission:** Jill Barton (Region 18) and Cathy Gage (Region 13); **U.S. National Show Commission:** Glen True (Region 11), Lance Walters (Region 16) and Pat Webb (Region 12) (Myron Krause of Region 6 was also nominated, however, he withdrew his nomination.); **Youth National Show Commission:** Mickey Hegg (Region 7) and Kelly Charpentier (Region 7).

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the AHA Futurity Commission be closed.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #6-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the AHA National Distance Commission be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #7-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Commission ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #8-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Canadian National Show Commission ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #9-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Education/Evaluation Commission be closed.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #10-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Internal Audit Committee be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #11-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Market Development & Promotion Committee (Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Representatives) be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #12-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Registration Commission (AHA Representatives) be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #13-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Sport Horse National Show Commission be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #14-11/14/12-BOD)**

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MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the U.S. National Show Commission be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #15-11/14/12-BOD**)

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the nominations for the Youth National Show Commission be closed and that the uncontested ballot be accepted as the elected slate.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #16-11/14/12-BOD**)

The board elected ballots for the various Boards, Commissions and Committees were collected for tabulation.

ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES

Grace Greenlee, Chair, gave the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes report. Ms. Greenlee reported on the Sweepstakes five-year plan. The Board members were advised that the Sweepstakes Commission will be meeting this evening and one of the topics will be to firm up the dollar amount for points payouts.

ARABIAN HORSE FOUNDATION (AHF)

Nancy Harvey, Secretary, gave the Arabian Horse Foundation report. Ms. Harvey reported that the Foundation has approved funding for \$12,900 to research facilities. The Board members were advised that the AHF has restructured their Rescue/Rehoming committee to utilize the Arabian Horsemen's Distress Fund. Ms. Harvey reported that AHF has paid out \$12,000 in Scholarships for 2012 and that the Gator raffle at U.S. Nationals raised over \$11,000. The Board members were advised that AHF is working with AHA to broadcast status reports on the funding of research projects.

MOTION by Mary Ann Hughes, to ratify the Arabian Horse Foundation's re-appointment of Jim Cada and Nancy Harvey to the Arabian Horse Foundation Board of Directors.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #17-11/14/12-BOD**)

CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP DUES

Jan Decker, Secretary, presented a motion to the Board of Directors to increase the Business/Farm/Ranch/Corporation membership dues. Concerns were expressed regarding the fee increase and it was determined that this would be brought back to the Board members later this afternoon. (See Motion #25-11/14-12-BOD)

AHA FUTURITY COMMISSION

Chuck Mangan, Chair, gave the AHA Futurity Commission report and reviewed all of the motions that were presented to the Board of Directors.

MOTION by Steve Freeman:
Whereas, The Performance Futurity/Maturity Program requires a class to be designated at the time of the original nomination; and

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- Whereas, Currently, there is an existing rule that allows for a request to change classes postmarked/electronic transaction dated after August 1st and prior to the original close of U.S. National Entries will be allowed with a written request and a \$100 change fee; and
- Whereas, There have been several requests to change a Performance Futurity/Maturity Class after the original close of U.S. Entries up until the start of the show, which not only requires the change in class for the show entry, but also requires a new designation of the Performance Futurity/Maturity nomination fee; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, A request to change classes after the original close of U.S. Entries will be allowed until October 1st with a written request and a \$250 change fee; and, Be It Further
- Moved, A request to change classes will be allowed from October 2nd to the first day the show office opens, which is the final entry closing with a written request and a \$500 change fee; and, Be It Further
- Moved, The class change fees will be retained by AHA for administrative fees.
Effective: January 1, 2013.
Motion Passed. (**Motion #18-11/14/12-BOD**)

Steve Freeman, Board Liaison, presented a motion regarding Futurity performance bits to the Board of Directors for consideration. This motion created quite a bit of confusion, therefore, it was determined that this would come back to the Board members later this afternoon after the motion has been revised. (See Motion #20-11/14/12-BOD)

MOTION by Margo Shallcross:

- Whereas, The Board of Directors passed a motion on 4/11 (Motion #4-4/8/11-BOD) that changed the Performance Maturity AAOTR Program for the Arabian, Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Country English Pleasure and English Pleasure Horse from 4 or 5-year old to 5 or 6-year old; and
- Whereas, The Amateur Owners feel the intent of the class should be a Junior Horse class for the Amateur Owner as they are the ones that purchase and ride these horses; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, That in the AHA Handbook under PERF 101. INTRODUCTION, the following should be removed: 5 or 6 year-old Arabian, Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Country English and English Pleasure Horses (Motion #4-4/8/11-BOD); and, Be It Further
- Moved, That PERF 102. GENERAL RULES l.c. be changed to read: Arabian and Half Arabian/Anglo-Arabian English Pleasure Futurity or Maturity AAOTR into the corresponding Open English Pleasure class; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That PERF 102. GENERAL RULES 1.e. be changed to read: Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Country English Pleasure Futurity or Maturity AAOTR into the corresponding Open Country English Pleasure class.
Effective: Immediately.
Motion Referred to AHA Futurity Commission. (**Motion #19-11/14/12-BOD**)

Concerns were expressed that Motion #19-11/14/12-BOD had not been sent to the AHA Futurity Commission for review prior to this being submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration. It was determined that this motion would be referred to the Commission.

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Steve Freeman, Board Liaison, presented a motion regarding in-utero foal records for the Futurity and Sweepstakes programs to the Board of Directors for consideration. This motion created quite a bit of confusion, therefore, it was determined that this would come back to the Board members later this afternoon after the motion has been revised. (See Motion #33-11/14/12-BOD)

MOTION by Steve Freeman:

- Whereas, Currently, PERF 108.3 of the AHA Handbook states “For Western Pleasure, Hunter Pleasure, Reining, Working Cow Horse and Trail classes, a standard Snaffle Bit is defined as a center jointed, single, rounded, unwrapped smooth mouthpiece of 3/8” to 3/4” diameter metal, as measured 1” from the ring with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. The rings may be from 2” to 4” outside diameter of either the loose type, eggbutt, dee or center mounted without cheeks. If a curb strap is used, it must be attached below the reins (Maturity class specifications may differ from Futurity requirements, refer to PERF 110 and USEF Rule Book); and
- Whereas, Currently, classes are being run concurrently and have two separate bit requirements for each class; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, That PERF 108.3 be changed to read: “Hunter Pleasure classes, a standard Snaffle Bit is defined as a center jointed, single, rounded, unwrapped smooth mouthpiece of 3/8” to 3/4” diameter metal, as measured 1” from the ring with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. The rings may be from 2” to 4” outside diameter of either the loose type, eggbutt, dee or center mounted without cheeks. If a curb strap is used, it must be attached below the reins (Maturity class specifications may differ from Futurity requirements, refer to PERF 110 and USEF Rule Book.)”; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That a new PERF 108.4 be created to read: “For bit requirements in Western Pleasure, Reining, Working Cow Horse and Trail classes *refer to the USEF Arabian Rules for Junior Horse Classes in their respective divisions*. (Maturity class specifications may differ from Futurity requirements, refer to PERF 110 and USEF Rule Book.)”; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That the remaining PERF 108 be renumbered.
- Effective: January 1, 2013.
- Motion Passed. (**Motion #20-11/14/12-BOD**)

CANADIAN NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION

Gerald McDonald, Chair, gave the Canadian National Show Commission report. Mr. McDonald reported that the 2012 Canadian National Show was a success and gave statistics on entries. The Board members were advised that next year’s show will be held August 12-17, 2013 in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada. Mr. McDonald gave an update on the status of WestJet Air providing air service from Winnipeg to Brandon.

LEGAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Dale Harvill, Chair, gave the Legal Review Committee report. Mr. Harvill advised that the Committee had reviewed one legal invoice.

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COMPETITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Gary Hooghkirk, Chair, gave the Competition Advisory Committee report. Mr. Hooghkirk gave a synopsis of the November 13, 2012 committee meeting.

MOTION by Gary Hooghkirk:

Moved, That Ranch Sorting be added to the AHA approved class list; and, Be It Further
Moved, That all Ranch Sorting class procedures and judging shall be conducted according to the current Ranch Sorting National Championship (RSNC) rules.
Effective: Immediately. **(Extraordinary 2/3 vote)**
Motion Passed. **(Motion #21-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Gary Hooghkirk:

Whereas, The Competitions Department Advisory Committee and the Agenda & Resolutions Committee has reviewed the draft of the 2013 AHA Handbook and found it in compliance with the approved Board motions of 2012; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the draft of the 2013 AHA Handbook be approved as amended; and, Be It Further
Moved, That the Competition Department be given the authorization to include the approved extraordinary motions of the Board and the approved resolutions into the 2013 AHA Handbook.
Effective: Immediately. **(Extraordinary 2/3 vote)**
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #22-11/14/12-BOD)**

AHA NATIONAL DISTANCE COMMISSION

Eric Rueter, Chair, gave the AHA National Distance Commission report. Mr. Rueter reported that the 2012 Distance Nationals were a success and gave statistics on entries and sponsorships. The Board of Directors were advised that next year's ride will be held October 24-28, 2013 in Chandlerville, Illinois at the Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area. Mr. Rueter advised that the 2013 National Distance Rides will be managed by the Arabian Horse Distance Riders Association (AHDRA).

INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

MOTION by Cynthia Richardson:

Moved, That the Arabian Horse Association ("the Association") Board of Directors approve the retention of the independent CPA firm of JDS Professional Group to audit the books and records and prepare the corporate tax returns of the Association for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #23-11/14/12-BOD)**

MOTION by Cynthia Richardson, That the Arabian Horse Association ("the Association") Board of Directors approve the President's expenses in the amount of \$7,123.55 for the period July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012. These expenses have been examined by the Internal Audit Committee and have been determined to be acceptable.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #24-11/14/12-BOD)**

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

MOTION by Jan Decker:

Whereas, AHA has not had a dues increase in the Business/Farm/Ranch/Corporation membership type (\$55.00) since 2006; and
Whereas, In order to remain fiscally responsible; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the annual dues for a Business/Farm/Ranch/Corporation membership be increased by \$5.00 bringing the cost of this membership type to \$60.00.
Effective: April 1, 2013
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #25-11/14/12-BOD**)

MARKET DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION (MDP) COMMITTEE

Gary Millar, Chair, gave the Market Development & Promotion Committee report. Mr. Millar reported that the Committee's main focus continues to be on the website rebuild project and presented the Board members with a status report. Mr. Millar discussed promoting the Arabian horse and encouraged everyone to introduce their horses to newcomers to help develop our market.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Peggy Weems, Chair, gave the Nominating Committee report. Ms. Weems reported that there are two candidates for each of the following positions: President and Vice President. The Board members were advised that there will be a Meet The Candidates Forum on Friday immediately prior to the start of the afternoon General Session (1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.). Ms. Weems advised that delegates could submit potential questions of the candidates to the AHA Convention Office no later than 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 15th. Ms. Weems reported on the timeline of the Forum and encouraged everyone to attend.

POINTS MONITORING COMMITTEE

MOTION by Myron Krause:

Whereas, Qualifications for Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Sport Horse Two Year Olds showing in In-Hand Classes at National and Regional Championships were waived for the years of 2011 and 2012; and
Whereas, There are qualifications needed for 2013 and years after; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That qualifications for Regional Champion Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Sport Horse Two Year Old In-Hand Classes is 2 points and that qualifications for National Champion Sport Horse Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Two Year Old In-Hand Classes is 5 points.
Effective: 2013 Competition Year.
Motion Defeated. (**Motion #26-11/14/12-BOD**)

Concerns were expressed regarding Motion #26-11/14/12-BOD and that it would be very difficult for members to earn enough points to qualify their horses.

MOTION by Myron Krause:

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Whereas, Qualifications for Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Two Year Olds showing in Breeding/In-Hand Classes at National and Regional Championships were waived for the years of 2011 and 2012; and

Whereas, There are qualifications needed for 2013 and years after; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That qualifications for Regional Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Two Year Breeding/In-Hand Classes is 2 points and that qualifications for National Championship Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Two Year Old Breeding/In-Hand Classes is 5 points.

Effective: 2013 Competition Year.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #27-11/14/12-BOD**)

MOTION by Myron Krause:

Whereas, Qualifications for Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearlings showing in Sport Horse In-Hand Classes at National and Regional Championships were waived for the years of 2011 and 2012; and

Whereas, There are qualifications needed for 2013 and years after; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That there is no qualifications for Regional Sport Horse In-Hand Classes and that qualifications for National Championship Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Sport Horse Yearling In-Hand Class is 2 points.

Effective: 2013 Competition Year.

Motion Defeated Unanimously. (**Motion #28-11/14/12-BOD**)

Concerns were expressed regarding Motion #28-11/14/12-BOD, in the Moved paragraph it should state that the Regional classes are for Yearlings, also it was stated that it would be very difficult for members to earn enough points to qualify their horses.

MOTION by Myron Krause:

Whereas, Qualifications for Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearlings showing in Breeding/ In-Hand Classes at National and Regional Championships were waived for the years of 2011 and 2012; and

Whereas, There are qualifications needed for 2013 and years after; and

Whereas, Most Regional Shows offer the Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling Breeding/In-Hand Sweepstakes classes and there are no qualification for this class; and

Whereas, Showing in the Regional Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling Breeding/In-Hand Sweepstakes Class should be encouraged; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That Regional Arabian/Half Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling Breeding /In-Hand Classes have no qualifications and that qualifications for the U.S. National Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling Breeding/In-Hand Classes is 4 points or winning a Regional Arabian/Half-Arabian Yearling Breeding/In-Hand Sweepstakes Class Top Ten.

Effective: 2013 Competition Year.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #29-11/14/12-BOD**)

A lengthy discussion was held on Motion #29-11/14/12-BOD and it was unanimously determined that this should apply to only U.S. Nationals.

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MOTION by Gerald McDonald, That the Canadian Nationals Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling Breeding/In-Hand classes have no qualification requirements. Effective with the 2013 competition year.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #30-11/14/12-BOD**)

MOTION by Cathy Gage, That there be no qualifications for Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Yearling and Two-Year Old classes at Sport Horse Nationals. Effective with the 2013 competition year.

Motion Passed. (**Motion #31-11/14/12-BOD**)

PUREBRED ARABIAN TRUST (PAT) UPDATE

Sue Meyer, Vice President At-Large, gave the Purebred Arabian Trust update. Ms. Meyer reported on the September Trust meeting and the Arabian Horse Galleries in Lexington, Kentucky.

RACING COMMISSION REPORT

Hamp Johnston, Board Liaison, gave the Racing Commission report. Mr. Johnston reported on the success of the UAE Cup Grade 1 on Preakness Day and the increased purses for Arabian Races.

REGISTRATION COMMISSION

Cynthia Richardson, Chair, gave the Registration Commission report. Ms. Richardson reported on the September 14-15 Commission meeting/Breeders Forum held at Frank & Carol Hennessey/Hennessey Arabians in Ocala, Florida.

MOTION by Cynthia Richardson:

Whereas, Some AHA customer service functions are slow due to software issues and slow desktop computer response times; and

Whereas, The computers supporting AHA Registration service are approaching 10 years of continual use and are very slow in the current operating environment resulting in increased delays in customer service both during phone conversations and processing work; and

Whereas, Slow customer service is a negative factor in marketing of AHA's horse registrations and their related service items as well as AHA itself; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That nine (9) computers (excluding screens and keyboards), be purchased and installed in the AHA Registry Services department for their use.

Effective: As soon as possible, but no later than April 1, 2013.

Motion Withdrawn. (**Motion #32-11/14/12-BOD**)

Concerns were expressed that only one department was being isolated to receive new computers when there are other departments who also serve customers with the same outdated computers. It was also noted that this would be a budget variance and should be referred to the Budget & Finance Committee. Glenn Petty, Executive Vice President, advised that there is a list maintained by the IT Department showing the ages of each of the employee's computers and the plans are to review the list to determine which computers should be replaced company wide.

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SPORT HORSE NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION

Cathy Gage, Board Liaison, gave the Sport Horse National Show Commission report. Ms. Gage reported that the 2012 Sport Horse Nationals in Nampa, Idaho was successful, but did not meet budget. The Board members were advised that the 2013 Sport Horse Nationals will be held September 18-22 in Lexington, Virginia. Ms. Gage reported that the Commission would be traveling to Lexington in January for a site visit.

U.S. NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION

Bill Hughes, Chair, gave the U.S. National Show Commission report. Mr. Hughes thanked all of the Commissioners, APAHA, Promoting Positive Change for the Arabian Breed group, volunteers and staff who contributed to the success of this year's show. Mr. Hughes reported on entries, stalls, arenas, barn parties, and seating.

YOUTH NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION

Mickey Hegg, Chair, gave the Youth National Show Commission report. Ms. Hegg reported on horse and class entries, patrons, and sponsors. Ms. Hegg thanked all of the volunteers, Commissioners and staff who worked on this year's show.

AHA FUTURITY COMMISSION

MOTION by Steve Freeman:

- Whereas, Currently a rule does not exist for instances in which in-utero applications are submitted for multiple embryo transfer foals by the same owner; and
- Whereas, Not all the embryo transfer foals are enrolled in the in-utero programs; and
- Whereas, There have been instances when members have requested that a different foal be associated and linked with the in-utero record; and
- Whereas, AHA does not know if all embryo transfer foals are nominated as Breeding Entries in the Sweepstakes Program or in the US and/or Canadian Halter Futurities; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, When multiple embryo transfers are submitted by one nominator, the first registration application(s) received for that particular cross by AHA will be linked to the in-utero foal record(s); and, Be It Further
- Moved, That in the event that the nominator makes application for registration at the exact same time for more embryo transfer foals than he/she has in-utero nominations available , then the nominator will be contacted for an official order in which he/she wishes the foals to be registered.
- Effective: Immediately.
- Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #33-11/14/12-BOD**)

COMPETITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MOTION by Gary Hooghkirk:

- Moved, That the Judges and Stewards fee in COMP 203.1.C. be changed from \$3.00 per horse to \$5.00 per horse; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That all Judges and Stewards fee references in COMP 401.4. be changed from \$3.00 per horse to \$4.00 per horse.
- Effective: April 1, 2013.

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Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #34-11/14/12-BOD**)

RESOLUTION REVIEW

The Board of Directors reviewed the following assigned resolutions:

- Resolution 1-12 approved
- Resolution 2-12 disapproved
- Resolution 3-12 disapproved
- Resolution 4-12 approved
- Resolution 49-12 approved – Amendment #1
- Resolution 51-12 approved
- Resolution 52-12 disapproved – Amendment #1
- Resolution 53-12 disapproved

TREASURER’S REPORT

Dave Corning, Treasurer, reported that page five, paragraph three under “Purposes of the Organization” of the March 31, 2012 Audited Financials was incorrect as it states that the Sweepstakes Trust is a non-profit corporation. Mr. Corning stated that the Sweepstakes Trust is a Trust. Mr. Corning advised that Dale Harvill, Vice President, had reviewed this paragraph and made proposed changes which have been sent to AHA’s auditors for approval. The Board members were advised that as soon as approval is received, a revised page five will be made available to all of the delegates. It was determined that Board approval of the March 31, 2012 Audited Financials would be accomplished via e-mail.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Bruce Johnson, Director At-Large, brought up concerns regarding delaying the Board approval of the strategic plan until the March 2013 Board of Director meeting. Lance Walters, President, advised that the strategic plan is a work in progress. Dale Harvill, Vice President, reported that he is still receiving information from all of the five core groups and noted that the plan could not be complete until the end product is submitted by each of these groups. Mr. Walters advised that Jay Greenberg, Region 2 Director Elect, has many years of experience with strategic plans and once he is on the Board of Directors he will be able to assist with the plan.

ELECTION RESULTS

AHA Futurity Commission: Mary Jane Brown, Region 4 (2015); and John Ryan, Region 8 (2015).

AHA National Distance Commission: Claude Clark, Region 6 (2015); and Tony Troyer, Region 11 (2015).

Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Commission: Grace Greenlee, Region 12 (2015); and Russ Taylor, Region 9 (2015).

Canadian National Show Commission: Dave Daugherty, Region 14 (2015); and Allan Ehrlick, Region 18 (2015).

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Education/Evaluation Commission: Mary Jane Brown, Region 4 (2015); Cecile Hetzel Dunn, Region 6 (2015); and Chuck Mangan, Region 8 (2015).

Internal Audit Committee: Cynthia Richardson, Region 8 (2015).

Market Development Promotion Committee (Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Rep): Mary Trowbridge, Region 8 (2015).

Registration Commission (AHA Rep): Sherry Layne, Region 7 (2015).

Sport Horse National Show Commission: Jill Barton, Region 18 (2015); and Cathy Gage, Region 13 (2015).

U.S. National Show Commission: Glen True, Region 11 (2015); Lance Walters, Region 16 (2015); and Pat Webb, Region 12 (2014).

Youth National Show Commission: Mickey Hegg, Region 7 (2015); and Kelly Charpentier, Region 7 (2015).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Jan Decker, AHA Secretary

Approved: _____
Date Initials

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EXHIBIT I

*ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VOTE
APPROVED MOTION
September 19, 2012*

PROMOTIONAL FUNDS

*MOTION by Dale Harvill, to approve the expenditure of \$6,000 from the Promotional Funding Account to advertise Arabian horses on billboards across the country.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #1-9/19/12-EC.)*