

**Arabian Horse Youth Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Approved Minutes
Oklahoma City, OK
July 21, 2016**

I. Welcome and Call to Order – Taylor

- a. Meeting called to order at 5:45 P.M.

II. Roll Call/Introductions – Taylor

Taylor Kyse (President), Emily Barker (VP), Flora ElmColone (Secretary), Sydney Young (Treasurer), Kailey Wessel (3), Alycia Boucher (9), Danika Overstreet (5), Katie Treadwell (10), Hunter Offord (10), Morgan Burk (9), Hannah Jones (9), Madison Nolte (9), Riley Barge (9), Natalie Alves (17), Rachele Cate (13), Cynthia Richardson (AHA President), Brenna Whitlock, (AHA Youth Coordinator), Cindy Howey (AHA Youth Committee Vice Chair), Debbie Himmel (AHA Youth Committee Vice Chair), Tessa Kimbler (6), Kate Lewis (11), Emily Maersk-Moller (8)

Robert's Rules of Order – Debbie

- a. We follow parliamentary procedure as best as possible. Some notes:
- i. A note was made that you should not be posting pictures taken by horse show photographers if you had not purchased them.
 - ii. The President will conduct the meeting, and will call on individuals to speak per the agenda
 - iii. Raise your hand to be acknowledged by the President before speaking
 - iv. All motions must be made, seconded, and discussed before the question may be called and the vote cast
 1. When voting, only Youth Directors, or those serving in a Director capacity in the absence of the Director, may have a vote
 2. A straw vote is just a feel of the room, and any participant in the meeting may take part

III. Approval of Agenda – Taylor

- a. **Motion #1-** Approve the agenda (Flora). Second: Kailey. Passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report – Sydney

- a. The judging contest this year had 45 teams and the Hippology contest had 80. The RYTT had 50 teams. We budgeted \$12,000 and brought in \$14,000. We would like to bring in \$11,100 this year from YNL. We want to encourage AHYA Members other than Board members to continue raising money. Each board member should sell at least 5 raffle tickets for the Dever golf cart raffle. A new fundraiser will be going to Make-A-Wish in the name of Ryan Melendez.

V. Unfinished Business

- a. Timeline and Responsibilities Review – Brenna
- i. August 1: New board members take office
 - ii. We need help at Canadian Nationals
 - iii. September 1: Youth of the Year applications due
- b. Social Media – Brenna
- i. AHYA Blog – www.arabianhorses.org/ahyablog - Writing assignments
 - ii. Instagram – *arabianhorseyouth*
 - iii. Snapchat – AHYneigh
 - iv. We combined the AHA & AHYA Facebook pages
- c. AYHC Symposium – (Emily, Taylor)

- i. Emily & Taylor went to the Kentucky Horse Park to represent AHYA at the AYHC Symposium this year. The 4 different types of sessions were Youth, Collegiate, Adult, & Professional. They gave a presentation on TAIL Tours and received really positive feedback.

VI. Regional Updates

R1:

R2: Region 2 Show in June was a success, with a silent auction raising over \$1,000 and carnival games for the Youth.

R3: Region 3 show raised about \$1,200. They did a movie night which was very successful. The T-shirt decorating didn't go over so well and Kailey wouldn't recommend it for the future.

R4:

R5: They recently had a judging contest and a tour of their local racetrack. They did a dessert dash and a Silent Auction for fundraisers. They sold personalized teddy bears for \$5 which was a huge success. They have a bowling day in August.

R6: Region 6 had a successful silent auction.

R7:

R8: Region 8 had a successful bake sale, and had two fundraiser fun classes which were a success.

R9: They sold 75 T-shirts and sold out of all their chuck-a-ducks. They had an ice cream social at their youth meeting which was enjoyed. They have also upped their activity on Instagram.

R10: In May they had their 25th Youth Roundup show in which the youth board all volunteered. They also had a judging contest recently which was well attended. R10 has 18 teams in the RYTT which is one of the most that any region has. They held a silent auction which raised over \$500. They had a "Mr. Region 10" competition as a fundraiser which raised over \$1,800.

R11: They had games during their barn party at Sport Horse regionals. Region 11 Championship show was very successful as well.

R12:

R13: They had many fundraisers at the Region 13 Championship Show. They are trying to put together a Hippology contest or a wheelbarrow race. They also want to create a "coloring table" where younger kids can hang out.

R14:

R15:

R16:

R17: They will be doing a silent auction and a Pro-am class at the Region 17 show as fundraisers. They will also have a pizza party/youth meeting and give out T-shirts to the youth.

VII. AHYA Committees

a. Reports

i. Youth Activities – Taylor

1. Some upcoming activities are AHYA Convention, the exhibitor party, stall decorating contest, parade of regions, ice cream social, stick horse, flying pigs, college day, hippology contest, and the pink flamingos. Taylor has recently communicated with her committee and received many new ideas and enthusiasm. Since Taylor will be aging out, we will need a new chair for this committee.

ii. Membership/Fundraising & Promotions – Taylor

1. Fundraisers that will be at YNL include Flying pigs, barn night out, PFF (flamingos), Limited edition items, golf cart raffle, money wall fundraiser for Make-A-Wish in the name of Ryan. Taylor has recently communicated with this committee as well and received feedback on increasing collegiate membership. Committee members seemed keen on keeping college

students involved. Taylor is interested in online meetings for college students. Hunter said that instead of a flat fee, like at Scottsdale they offer a sort of package at region 10 where \$250 will let you show in 6 classes, including stall fees. One idea popped up with starting up trainer-college student internships as a possibility to stay involved. Kailey brought up the idea of a possible movie night as a possible fundraiser. There will eventually need to be a new committee chair for this committee as well.

iii. Regional/National Classes – *Danika*

1. There have been some revisions to the survey that was made in March. At the committee meeting at convention, they will discuss the past show season for everyone and ways to increase bond with show commissions, since that committee has been combined with the adult Regional & National Classes committee.

iv. Equitation & Showmanship – *Emily*

1. No new changes or updates. Emily has not received responses from hardly anyone and would like more involvement.

v. Working Western – Vacant

vi. Sport Horse – *Emily*

1. No new changes or updates. Only has 3 members and Emily would like to increase membership.

vii. Distance – *Tessa*

1. The Tevis cup is this weekend, which lots of youth are attending. Tessa is going to try to get some games for the youth going during vet holds on endurance rides. Tessa encourages involvement at local distance shows because it's an interesting and new experience.

viii. Canadian Nationals – *Sydney*

1. The committee is currently being switched over to Region 17 member Marijke, who is currently in Canada getting ready for the Regional show. Sydney needs volunteers who will be at Canadian Nationals and can help out a bit.

VIII. Youth Nationals

a. Schedule – *Brenna*

i. AHYA CONVENTION scheduled 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Friday

1. Starting at 10:00 we will meet at the AHYA Booth to pass out invites.

ii. Committee Meetings

1. Before Convention- starting at about 11:30 a.m.

a. Sport Horse, Distance, Youth Activities, Canadian Nationals

2. After Convention

a. Equitation/Showmanship, Membership/Fundraising/Promotions, Regional/National Classes, Working Western

b. Kate will stand in as a temporary Working Western committee chair for convention.

iii. Judging Clinic will be held Friday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

b. Fundraisers

i. Brenna needs volunteers, volunteer hours will be logged and the winner will receive a \$300 scholarship.

ii. Flying Pigs – Three times

1. Once in each arena

- iii. Barn Night Out – Mikey Mantel Steak House
 - 1. AHYA gets \$5 for every steak dish that's ordered.
 - iv. PFF (Pink Flamingo Flock) – remember golden flamingo
 - 1. They need 2-3 people every morning to help pass out flamingos.
 - v. Limited Edition Item – Dog Collars (\$10) s, m, l
 - vi. Golf Car Raffle – Each Board Member must sell (5) Tickets
 - vii. Money Wall Fundraiser for Ryan and Make a Wish
 - 1. Hanging in the AHYA Booth
 - c. Sponsorships
 - i. Looking for Judging Contest Sponsors
 - 1. \$350 for Jacket sponsors
 - 2. \$1200 for a saddle sponsor
 - d. Volunteerism/Committee Work
 - i. Help with T.A.I.L Tours/Activity Promotion as available
 - 1. We need a horse for TAIL tours and a guide.
 - ii. Fundraise w/YNL Activities – PFF help
 - e. Flag Riders
 - i. Need 2 flag riders for Friday and 2 for Saturday
 - f. Anthems – already have
- IX. AHYA Convention**
 - a. Recruiting – Have water bottles for everyone who comes, give out small water bottles
 - b. Planning – Games/Script Changes
 - c. Keynote Speaker Kathie Hart (12:30-1:00) and Gayle Lampe
- X. New Business**
 - a. Design a boot contest
 - i. Need to pick a judging panel of 5 people (American, Canadian, Youth, Cynthia, AHA Staff)
 - 1. Suggestions: AHA Staff- Brenna, Uriah. Vote: Brenna- 9, Uriah- 8
 - 2. Cynthia is willing to be another judge
 - 3. AHYA member: the 2016-2017 AHYA president
 - 4. Brenna will pick 2 other youth members
 - ii. Need to nominate 2-3 per category
 - 1. Will vote for at convention
 - 2. The winner will have their design made into a pair of boots to be auctioned off at the 50th annual U.S. Nationals.
 - b. When to have Fall meeting – USN or Convention?
 - i. Vote: Convention: unanimous
 - ii. Convention and the board meeting will be held in Denver, CO.
 - c. Brenna needs youth members' votes for the Stall Decorating Contest by the end of Monday the 25. Categories: Small barn (up to 5 stalls), medium barn (6-12), and large barn (13 and over). Judging is based off the theme.
- XI. Reminders – Taylor**
 - a. **Aug. 1** – Welcome 2016-2017 AHYA Board Members & Officers! (No Regional Reports)
 - i. Promote Youth of the Year & encourage applicants (Applications due Sept. 1)
 - ii. Promote Horse Judging Contest at US Nationals
 - iii. Continue selling Golf Car Raffle Tickets
 - iv. Start gathering Silent Auction Items for Convention in November
 - b. **Aug. 14-20 – Canadian Nationals** – Volunteers needed for Youth Programs
 - c. **Sept. 1** – YOTY Applications **DUE**
 - i. Continue gathering Silent Auction Items

- ii. Start planning for fall (Convention meeting)
 - iii. Let Brenna know if you will be at US Nationals
- d. **Sept. 22 – National Arabian Horse Judging Contest entries are DUE**
- e. **Sept. 21-25 – Sport Horse Nationals – Volunteers needed for Youth Programs**
- f. **Oct. 1 – No Regional Reports Due**
 - i. Continue selling Golf Car Raffle Tickets thru US Nationals
 - ii. Continue gathering Silent Auction Items & mail to Denver by **Nov. 1.**
- g. **Oct. 21-29 – US Nationals Horse Show**
 - i. If you will be at US Nationals, please volunteer for Youth Programs
- h. **Oct. 28 – National Arabian Horse Judging Contest – Volunteers needed**
- i. **Nov. 1 – Silent Auction Items to AHA**
- j. **Nov. 15 – Regional Reports Due**
- k. **Nov. 16-20 – AHA Convention – Denver, CO**

This meeting was adjourned at 6:57