

WHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING January 10, 2024 6:30 PM Central Time

Agenda

Roll Call

Old Business

I. Approve Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes Of November 19, 2023

New Business

- II. Announce results of Board of Directors Election, Welcome New Directors
- III. Update on new software for Member Portal
- IV. Summary of changes to WCHA Breeder's & Big Money Futurities
- V. Recommendation From Executive Committee For Officers For 2024

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called To Order At 6:32 PM

Roll Call:

- All Members Of Executive Committee Present
- All Board Of Directors Present With The Exception Of Mike McMillian, Kyle Parker.
- Directors At Large: Robin Klover, Bill Huckabee, Luke Castle and Anne Prince Present
- Executive Director Present

Old Business

- I. Approve Board Of Director's Meeting Minutes Of November 19, 2023
 - Motion To Approve, Second. Motion Carried Unanimously

New Business

- II. Update on new software for Member Portal
 - Treasurer Klover reported that the Member Portal is on the web site and is operational for members to access, there is a short tutorial to explain the process to pay 2024 membership dues, check status and update horses that were downloaded into the system under each member and then to nominate horses for 2024. Questions and Answers took place.
- III. Summary of changes put forth by the Breeder's/Futurity Committee and Approved By The Executive Committee.
 - Futurity Manager/Breeder's Committee Chairman Falcon gave report on following changes for 2024:
 - ✓ Modify rules for Intermediate Non Pro
 - ✓ Modify rules for Limited Horse Stakes Classes
 - ✓ Yearling classes that exceed 40 entries that are checked in at the futurities may be split into two age groups in both WCHA Breeder's and Big Money Futurities.
 - ✓ WCHA Breeder's Nomination Program: Fees were reduced for "catch up fees" for yearlings, two year olds and three and over horses. Fees were also reduced for weanlings who are nominated prior to December 31 deadline.

- ✓ Big Money Futurity Nomination Program: Due to a shortfall of \$10,000 in the Big Money it is necessary to implement a modest nomination program in this futurity so that it remains solvent and continues to grow in numbers and payouts. A modest nomination fee will also generate additional income for color payouts. Anticipated increase of purse money to exceed \$50,000 annually.
- ✓ Falcon recommended that WCHA Breeder's Futurity run prior to the Big Money so that scratches are then minimal. EC approved this proposal.
- ✓ Rising Star Futurity Program: Weanling classes for horses sired by stallions who have not yet sired a world champion are eligible for competition. Stallions must first enroll in the WCHA Breeder's Futurity with the Rising Star stallion nomination only additional \$250.
- IV. Update On Supreme Championship Show & Sale
 - Falcon gave extensive report on progress of show, the format of 4 AQHA, 4 APHA and 4 ApHC approved horse shows with stakes classes within each class and then to name a Supreme Champion within each class.
 - Falcon, Jacobs and Castle gave report on the WCHA Breeder's Select Sale with the hiring of a Sale Manager. Consignment forms will be posted the first week of February.
- V. Recommendation From The Executive Committee For Officers Of 2024.
 - Jacobs and Falcon explained that the EC met and discussed at length various factors
 on what is best for the association with the rapid transition of officers within the EC
 and short time frame before a new officer becomes President especially when 2
 new officers were added late 2022 and January of 2023. Furthermore, with the
 addition of the Supreme Show and Select Sale it will be huge task with new
 president.
 - The recommendation to the Board Of Directors was to keep the 2023 Executive Committee in place through 2024 so that continuity is maintained with the addition of a major event being put forth.
 - After Discussion a motion was made to accept this recommendation. Seconded and Motion Carried Unanimously.
- VI. No Other New Business.

Motion to Adjourn, Seconded and Motion Carried. Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm Central Time