

# WCHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES December 15, 2024 6:00 PM Central Time

Agenda Roll Call Old Business

#### **Old Business**

I. Approve Minutes Of November 15, 2024

### **New Business**

- I. Financial Report From Treasurer Robin Klover
  - Year To Date Financial Profit/Loss
  - Highlights of Financial Gains For 2024
  - Recommendations
- II. Proposed By Law Revision For Clarification Of Procedure
- III. Discussion For Nomination Of New Officer To Executive Committee
- IV. Further Discussion For Implementation of WCHA Judge Monitoring Panel
- V. WCHA Sponsored On Line Sale
- VI. Other New Business Not On Agenda

# Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Called To Order at 6:05 pm – December 15, 2024 Roll Call:

Present: President: Randy Jacobs, First Past President: Dan Fox, Second Past President: Robin Klover, President Elect: Thomas Coon, Officer: Warren English, Officer: Brian Ellsworth, Executive Director: Don Falcon.

## Old Business:

- Approve Minutes Of Executive Committee Meeting Of November 15, 2024
  - Motion To Approve, Seconded, Motion Approved Unanimously

## New Business:

- I. Year To Date Financial Report Treasurer Robin Klover
  - Klover reported summary of association's finances to date including 2024 comparisons and financial balances in WCHA Checking and Savings Accounts.
  - Klover and Falcon shared record success of recent Hall Of Fame Fundraising Auction in excess of \$106,000 with a large share of these proceeds to be used in 2025 for futurity enhancements and association outreach in supporting WCHA sponsored events.
  - With the success of the Auction and other fundraisers Klover recommends WCHA reduce it's futurity administrating/operating percentage be reduced from 10% of 5% for the year of 2024.

- Motion made to accept Klover's recommendation to reduce administrative percentage from 10% to 5% for 2024 and to adopt a sliding scale percentage between 5% and 10% moving forward based on year end profit/loss accounting.
- Question: When is financial budget presented for 2025 presented, additional recommendation not to set a specific administrative fee but use the sliding scale formula in unison with the proposed budget for following year.
- Second to the Motion, Motion passed unanimously.

## II. Review proposed By Law Clarification

- Review wording within the bylaws for procedures used to fill vacancies within the Executive Committee as the result of resignations and or term limits.
- Motion To Present By Law Clarification to Board of Directors for approval
- Motion Seconded, Motion Carried Unanimously
- III. Further Discussion On Appointment Of Monitoring Panel
  - Discussion: As Officers we have had several owners/breeders/exhibitors concerned with inconsistency of judges placings in our recent fall futurities and performance of our WCHA judges within Breed World Shows judging to the Conformation Standard. Further discussion for the proposal to appoint a 3 member panel to serve as monitors over WCHA Judges and serve as advisory panel to the Executive Committee.
    - Motion to appoint Randy Jacobs, Ronnie Casper and Don Falcon to Judge's
       Monitoring Panel to assist judges in following the conformation standard and to help develop a AAA Tier to reward judges who judge to the standard without prejudice.
    - Second To The Motion, Motion Carried Unanimously.
    - Falcon stated he would work with Jacobs and Casper to draft an outline for the panel for presentation to Judges Committee.
    - Further discussion resulting from November 15 Executive Committee to adopt a format whereas we insert our most respected and experienced judges who are in attendance at our fall futurities or Supreme Championship Show into "WCHA ONLY" classes where they have no conflicts of interest.
      - Falcon stated he would work on drafting guidelines for this format and present at future meeting for review to then be presented to Judge's Committee.
  - Falcon stated he has requested the Judge's Committee to conduct an in-person Judges
    Educational Seminar to be held in Oklahoma City for May, 2025 and will work with Judge's
    Committee to put educational program in place.

## IV. WCHA Sponsored On Line Horse Sale

- Falcon gave report on talks he had with Professional Auction Services to conduct an on line sale within their existing Mid Winter Consignment Sale. Consignment Fee of \$175 with 10% sales fee for horses that sell, if horse fails to bring reserve price set by the consignor no additional pass out fees will be assessed. In addition to the sales fee WCHA will retain 10% of final sales price of which 100% will follow that horse to the class they enter within the Diamond In The Rough Stakes classes to be held at the Supreme Championship Show, May 2025. With the generous donation of \$30,000 from Lonnie and Tawni Ledbetter (Iron Horse Ranch) these horses "that sell" within the sale will be only horses eligible for these stakes classes.
- O Motion To Approve The Sale, Seconded, Approved Unanimously Meeting Adjourned At 8:10pm Central Time