



January 22, 2014 at Happy Joe's

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by the President, Bill Kvasager

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was given. The balance is \$8,559.22. There was a net income of \$2,934.00 for 2013. Kylie Nissen made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Terry Jenson 2nd it. Annette Peterson's report was approved.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the last membership meeting, February 6, 2013 were included in the packets handed out at the meeting. Annette Peterson made a motion to accept the secretary's report and Angie Pulkrabek-Moen 2nd it. Kylie Nissen's report was approved.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Election of Officers and Board Members:

- President – nominees: Keith Eggl, Mark Barnett – Keith Eggl elected President.
- Vice President – Terry Jenson; Mark Barnett (11); due to a tie, the President voted and Terry Jenson was voted Vice President
- Treasurer – Annette Peterson; unanimous vote
- Secretary – Kylie Nissen; unanimous vote

Board member nominees: Brian Peterson, Donavon Wald, Gayle Moe, Bill Kvasager. Annette Peterson motion was made to accept all nominees; Rachel Stark 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

- Board Member (2015) – Bill Kvasager
- Board Member (2017) – Brian Peterson
- Board Member (2017) – Donavon Wald
- Board Member (2017) – Gayle Moe
- Mark Barnett (2015) has one year left to serve on the Board
- Doug Torgerson (2016) has two years left to serve on the Board
- Rachel Stark (2016) has two years left to serve on the Board

There are currently an even number of members on the board, four executive board members and six board members. Because of this, ties may result when it comes to voting. It was recommended that we change the bylaws to have 7 board members. A proposal will be made and brought to the February

meeting. Four board members were elected at this meeting. In the event that the proposal to change to 7 board members does not get voted through in February, one will need to be removed.

Junior Board Members – (2016)

- Lyndsey Dusterhoft
- Jason Berry
- Gina Wald
- Jacob Barnett
- Rachel Barnett
- Emilly Jenson

Annette made a motion to accept all Junior Board nominees, Jeanie 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposals:

Proposals will be voted on at the February meeting.

Proposal 1 – Change from 6 board members to 7 board members with 2-3 elected each year.

Proposal 2 – Remove the last lines in Section 1 and Section 2 that read: “All shows are to be held at the arena at the Grand Forks County Fairgrounds in Grand Forks, North Dakota.” “Set show dates yearly at the annual meeting, with no show dates set for month of May.”

Discussion: There state we can't have any shows in May. This was previously made because of weather. \$300 to rent the space. The RRVHSA insurance covers the show at there. Covers bathroom, back barn stalls, warm up area, arena, tractors. The Crookston arena would be a backup if they are available. Other clubs would like to host a show of ours, this bylaw change would allow that to happen, the other club could pay the RRVHSA a fee to host the show. They would need to supply the insurance for this.

Proposal 3: Add the class of Open Ranch Horse pleasure. Using AQHA rules (excluding SHW416.2). Will be after Walk Trot Pleasure (30 & Over). This will be a pointed class.

Proposal 4: Annual meeting be held in conjunction with the fall banquet.

Proposal 5: There will be one annual meeting per year. The bylaws and rules will be updated accordingly to reflect this change. All proposals must be submitted to Secretary a minimum of one week prior to the meeting.

Proposal 6: In order to receive year-end awards, you are required to help out at a minimum of two shows or get two sponsors.

Discussion: This would be a way to get more people involved in the club. For helping, it doesn't have to be all day, it's just for a portion of a show (such as, setting up trail, setting barrels, ring steward for a while). There will be a sheet at the crows nest where people can let the people there working know that they are putting in time that lists the name of the member (or person doing the task for them), the task they are helping with, and the time they spent helping.

Proposal 7: To qualify for year-end awards you must attend/show in a minimum of two of four shows.

Proposal 8: If the annual meeting is not held in conjunction with the annual banquet, notification of the meeting will be mailed out two weeks before the meeting date. (Proposal 8 is void if Proposal 4 passes)

Proposal 9: Have additional prizes for first place at some shows. This would require additional funds to pay for the prizes – either through more sponsorships or it would come out of the banquet fund.

Discussion: Would require significantly more funds. Ex. Lead ropes for first place.

Show Dates:

Sunday, May 18 – Grand Forks with Crookston as backup in case of bad weather

Sunday, June 29 – Fair Show

Sunday, August 24

Saturday, September 21 – Grand Forks with Crookston as backup in case of bad weather

All performance classes start at 9:00 am and games to follow no earlier than 1:00 pm.

Other:

Annette will contact a brand inspector to come to one of our shows to provide brand releases. It's \$10 to get a brand release. This would just be a service that the club would offer (no cost to the club).

Becky made a motion to allow the Turtle Mountain Ridge Riders would like RRVHSA to pay them \$35 for them to sanction a show through us. They said they have a minimum of 4-5 families that would come. May increase our membership. We will get all their entry fees plus daily membership or full membership fees. Annette second the motion. Motion passed.

Several ideas were posed regarding having double points at a show; 1) Have one double-judged shows, 2) Have double points without two judges, this would be the last show of the season, 3) Take the show with the lowest attendance and have it double judged - still have to attend 3 shows to qualify for year-end awards. It was decided that since last year went so well we would keep it the same for 2014 and look at this idea again next year.

Crows nest will cost \$4000 - \$5000 to build. It will also be brought before the Fair Board too for funding.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7 pm at Happy Joe's.

Angie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kylie seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Kylie Nissen.