

**ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
DENVER, COLORADO
UNAPPROVED MOTIONS
NOVEMBER 19, 2008**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the Board of Directors agenda of November 19, 2008 be approved as amended.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #1-11/19/08-BOD**)

CONSENT BOARD ITEMS

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

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #2-11/19/08-BOD**)

SUBMISSION OF BOARD MINUTES TO OFFICIAL BOOKS

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the August 8-9, 2008 Board of Directors minutes that were approved on November 18, 2008 and amended at this meeting, be submitted to the Official Books of AHA.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #3-11/19/08-BOD**)

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION by Frank Galovic, to approve the March 2008 Audited Financial Statements.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #4-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Frank Galovic:

Whereas, AHA needs to protect itself for future emergencies; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That a rainy day designated fund be created to be used for extraordinary non-recurring expenses; and, Be It Further
Moved, That \$250,000 from current unrestricted cash investments be transferred to this rainy day fund; and, Be It Further
Moved, That beginning in fiscal 2010 that the higher of 10% per annum of net earnings or \$50,000 be added to this designated fund; and, Be It Further
Moved, That the Budget & Finance Committee be charged with the monitoring of this designated fund, and, that the Budget & Finance Committee be further directed to make recommendations to the Board regarding a necessary balance and uses of the fund.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #5-11/19/08-BOD**)

NOMINATIONS

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Arabian Futurity Commission be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #6-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Commission be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #7-11/19/08-BOD**)

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MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Canadian National Show Commission ballot be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #8-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Internal Audit Committee ballot be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #9-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Registration Commission ballot be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #10-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Jan Decker, that the uncontested Youth National Show Commission ballot be accepted as the elected slate.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #11-11/19/08-BOD**)

2009 BOARD MEETING DATES

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the 2009 Board of Director meeting dates be as follows: March 6-7, 2009 in Aurora, Colorado; May 15-16, 2009 in Aurora, Colorado; August 7-8, 2009 in Aurora, Colorado; and November 18, 2009 in Reno, Nevada.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #12-11/19/08-BOD**)

ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES

MOTION by Dean Meier, to recess the AHA Board of Directors meeting and convene as the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trustees.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #13-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Dean Meier, to adjourn the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trustees meeting and reconvene the AHA Board of Directors meeting.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #14-11/19/08-BOD**)

ARABIAN HORSE FOUNDATION

MOTION by Bill Hughes, to ratify the Arabian Horse Foundation's re-appointment of Larry Kinneer and Lollie Ames to the Arabian Horse Foundation Board of Directors.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #15-11/19/08-BOD**)

AHA FUTURITY COMMISSION

MOTION by Mary Jane Brown:

Whereas, Currently, Performance Futurity/Maturity nominations must be submitted by the close of entries for U.S. Nationals with no exceptions as stated in Article 2007.5;
and

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Whereas, Each year due dates are missed and due to confusion from exhibitors, requests are made to allow nominations after the original close of entries; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That Article 2007.5 be changed to read:
“Nominations must be made prior to the to the original close of entries for U.S. Nationals, entries postmarked/electronic transaction dated after the original close of U.S. Entries must pay the total nomination fee of \$765.00 plus an additional \$750.00 late fee per performance class (to be included in the prize money pot for that particular class).”
; and, Be It Further
Moved, That nominations are allowed with the additional \$750 late fee up until the Post Entry Close date or the actual day the show office opens which ever is later and any additional U.S. National class fees (including late fees) must be paid.
Effective: January 1, 2009
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #16-11/19/08-BOD)**

AWARDS COMMITTEE

MOTION by Marty Kleiner:

Note: Amateur Achievement Awards may be changed by BOD action.
Whereas, Resolution 5-07 was passed to change Achievement Award points for Dressage scores; and
Whereas, This resolution addressed only Horse Achievement Award points; and
Whereas, The Horse Achievement Awards and the Amateur Achievement Awards are to “mirror” each other; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That Article 2206 be modified to match the points table passed in Resolution 5-07
Effective: December 1, 2008 – concurrent with Horse Achievement Award point calculations for Dressage scores.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #17-11/19/08-BOD)**

MOTION by Nancy Harvey:

Whereas, The Hunter/Jumper Committee has submitted a resolution for Open Hunter/Jumper points to be awarded for the Horse Achievement Award Program; and
Whereas, By past precedence, the Horse Achievement Award Program and Amateur Achievement Award Program have always mirrored one another; and
Whereas, The Amateur Achievement Award Program has, by past precedence, been created and modified by Board of Director motions; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the rules for Amateur Achievement Award Program found in Chapter 22 of the current AHA Handbook, be modified to mirror the changes to the Horse Achievement Award Program.
Effective: Upon approval of Resolution 8-08.
Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #18-11/19/08-BOD)**

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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MOTION by Dean Meier to reconsider Motion #6-8/11/07-BOD.
Motion Defeated. (**Motion #19-11/19/08-BOD**)

AHA NATIONAL DISTANCE COMMISSION

MOTION by Cory Soltau:

Whereas, With the creation of the AHA National Distance Commission the functions of the sub-committee no longer exist; and
Whereas, It is now solely the responsibility of the AHA National Distance Commission to resolve protests and formal complaints; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the following changes be made to Article 1503 of the AHA Handbook;

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE TRAIL RIDE

ARTICLE 1503. ADMINISTRATION

National Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Championship Competitive Trail Rides must be conducted pursuant to rules adopted by the AHA National Distance Commission and the AHA Board of Directors. (BOD 11/07)

1. ~~The AHA National Distance Commission shall elect a Sub-Committee called Competitive Trail Ride Sub-Committee which has have the function of handling and resolving protests and formal complaints. They will be instrumental in supporting the annual National Championship Competitive Trail Ride. The Competitive Trail Ride Sub-Committee shall consist of the Distance Riding Committee Chair and four members elected for two year staggered terms. Two shall be elected annually for a term of two years. No member shall be elected for more than two consecutive terms.~~
 - a. ~~Eligibility guidelines for Competitive Trail Ride Sub-Committee selection are:~~
 - 1) ~~Be a current member of AHA and the Distance Riding Committee.~~
 - 2) ~~Resumes of members interested will be accepted by the Distance Riding Committee Chair, for the Competitive Trail Ride Sub-Committee. Ballots will then be sent to each committee member for their vote, these positions will be filled from the results of these ballots.~~
 - 3) ~~Be a current Recognized Competitive Trail Ride Steward, and either a current AHA Trail Competitor or Trail Manager.~~
 - 4) ~~Be willing to serve a two year term.~~
 - 5) ~~Be willing to help at the National Championship Ride.~~
 - 6) ~~Be willing to head a Sub-Committee.~~
 - b. ~~The Committee Chair may appoint a committee member to fill a vacancy in the Sub-Committee until the next election.~~

Effective: January 1, 2009

Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #20-11/19/08-BOD**)

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MOTION by Cory Soltau:

- Whereas, There are no current dates or location set for the 2009 National Competitive Trail Ride or the National Endurance Ride (50 and 100 mile); Therefore, Be It
- Moved, That the National Competitive Trail Ride and National Endurance Ride (50 and 100 mile) beheld October 27-31, 2009 at lake Carl Blackwell in Stillwater, Oklahoma; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That the exact schedule will be set by the AHA National Distance Commission; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That every effort will be made to hold all the National Distance events together from 2009 forward and be referred to as the AHA National Distance Championships.
- Effective: January 1, 2009.
- Motion Passed. (**Motion #21-11/19/08-BOD**)

COMPETITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MOTION by Marty Kleiner:

- Whereas, Article 520 states that the members of the Competition Advisory Committee must be on the Board of Directors; and
- Whereas, It is desirable to have experienced Show Management/Secretaries on the Competition Advisory Committee; and
- Whereas, At times there may a limited number of Show Managers/Secretaries on the AHA Board of Directors; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, That Article 520 be changed to read as follows:
“Appointed by the AHA President and is comprised of AHA Board Members and may include up to one outside AHA Member with Show Management/Secretary experience.”
- Effective: Immediately.
- Motion Passed. (**Motion #22-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Marlene Kreigbaum:

- Whereas, The USEF division which covers Driving is called Carriage Pleasure Driving; and
- Whereas, The AHA Handbook Article 1125.2.h. lists the licensing division as “Driving Division”
- I MOVE, THAT Article 1125.2.h be changed to read:
Carriage Driving, A USEF/EC judged licensed in the ~~Driving Division~~ *Carriage Pleasure Driving Division* or an ADS (American Driving Society) Recognized Judge.
- Effective: Immediately
- Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #23-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Marlene Kreigbaum:

- Whereas, Article 1111.3 requires that Rider and driver in combination classes will be the same; and

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Whereas, Carriage Driving “Ride and Drive” and “Carriage Driving Combination Hunter” classes are considered “combination” classes; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the following be added to the end of the first sentence in Article 1111.3 – *except in Carriage Pleasure Driving classes.*
Effective: Immediately
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #24-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Marlene Kreigbaum:

Whereas, U.S. Nationals used 5 judges for classes adjudicated with the Arabian Scoring System; and
Whereas, This was well received by the exhibitors; and
Whereas, This is not considered in the Arabian Horse Association Handbook; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That Article 1316, Approved National Scoring, be changed to read as follows:
1. Renummer current paragraph 5 to paragraph 6.
2. Insert new paragraph 5 to read as follows:
5. High/Low Elimination System may be used for all Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes when using the Arabian Scoring System at the U.S. National Championship Show to score each class.
a. One high score and one low score from the judges of each class will be eliminated and the three remaining scores will be totaled to determine the placings in the class.
b. To offset the cost of the additional two judges, a Judge’s Fee may be assessed to each entry determined b the U.S. National Show Commission.
Effective: January 1, 2009.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #25-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Marlene Kriegbaum:

Whereas, The Competitions Advisory Committee and the Agenda & Resolutions Committee has reviewed the draft of the 2009 AHA Handbook and found it in compliance with the approved Board motions of 2008; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the draft of the 2009 AHA Handbook be approved as amended; and, Be It Further
Moved, That the Manager of the Competitions Records be given the authorization to include the approved extraordinary motions of the Board and the approved resolutions into the 2009 AHA Handbook.
Effective: Immediately.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #26-11/19/08-BOD**) (**Extraordinary Motion**)

POINTS MONITORING TASK FORCE

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MOTION by Pam Kittredge to reconsider Motion #15-8/8/08-BOD.
Motion Defeated. (**Motion #27-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Pam Kittredge:

Whereas, There have been many requests to change the number of points for qualifications;
and
Whereas, After review and research by the Points Monitoring Committee, it has been
recommended that some of the points be adjusted; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the points be adjusted in the AHA Handbook on the National Class List
according to the attached list.
Effective: January 1, 2009.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #28-11/19/08-BOD**)

SPORT HORSE COMMITTEE

MOTION by Tague Johnson:

Whereas, The specifications for Get of Sire and Produce of Dam for Sport Horse are in the
USEF Rulebook under Subchapter AR-13; and
Whereas, Similar specifications for Get of Sire and Produce of Dam for Breeding classes
are in the USEF Rulebook under AR109; and
Whereas, Reproductive predictability and consistency are critical to making wise breeding
decisions; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That Get of Sire and Produce of Dam be restored to the Standard Class List
Article 1136 for Arabians and Half-Arabians/Anglo-Arabians.
Effective: January 1, 2009
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #29-11/19/08-BOD**)

WORKING WESTERN HORSE COMMITTEE

MOTION by Mary Jane Brown:

Whereas, In working western horses run multiple go rounds to get to the finals; and
Whereas, Many of the horses shown are shown in both the AAOTR and Open Division; and
Whereas, Horses competing in these physically demanding events don't need to run one
more go if they don't need to; and
Whereas, These are scored events that are easy to show the tie that exists; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That in the working western division (exception Cutting), if there are less than
nineteen horses in the final and a tie exists for the last position in the Top Ten, a
work off will not be required and both tied horses will receive the final placing
(i.e, two horses tied for the 9th position or above in a Top Ten placing will each be
recorded).; and Be It Further
Moved, That this change be reflected in AHA Articles 1338.6, 1339.5 and 1341.6
Effective: January 1, 2009
Motion Passed Unanimously. (**Motion #30-11/19/08-BOD**)

MOTION by Mary Jane Brown:

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Whereas, The current National Reined Cow Horse class is not ran as a true class; Therefore,
Be It

Moved, That AHA Article 1340 to changed to read;
1. Refer to Article 1339 for class procedures.
2. All NRCHA rules regarding patterns, scoring and judging shall apply.
and; Be It Further

Moved, That AHA Article 1354 add the following;

REINED COW HORSE

Must be qualified at an AHA or NRCHA Recognized show/division

1. At an AHA Recognized show holding a Reined Cow Horse class, three points or two scores of 68 or better will qualify for a National Championship class, or
2. At an AHA Recognized show holding both a Reining class and Working Cow class, the participant must have one score of 68 or better in Reining and one score of 68 or better in Working Cow to qualify for the Reined Cow Horse National Championship class, or
3. At NRCHA competitions, two scores of 68 or better will qualify for a National Championship class.

And; Be It Further

Moved, That AHA Article 1403 add "Reined Cow Horse" to the Open Qualification program.

Effective: January 1, 2009

Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #31-11/19/08-BOD)**

MOTION by Mary Jane Brown:

Whereas, Two years ago a change was made to reflect the wishes of the exhibitors in the Working Western disciplines to have a drawn finals; and

Whereas, This was meant to include the trail, but somehow the change did not happen; and

Whereas, This is a scored event where it is easy to show that the tie exists; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That the following changes be made to AHA Article 1341. Scoring/Judging Trail Horse:

2. U.S. Nationals, Canadian Nationals and Youth Nationals:
The first section shall be a Semi-Final. The ten horses or one-half of those competing (rounded up) with the highest total scores shall be named Top Ten and advance to the Finals. In the Semi-Final section and Final(s), order of go will be determined by draw. (See USEF Rules).
3. All individual judges are required to announce the scores of each horse immediately following the work of that horse and prior to the work of the subsequent horses.
4. ~~The total score of the Semi-Final shall determine (1) the Top Ten, and (2) the order of work in the Final section. The Top Ten horse receiving the highest score will work last. The next highest will work next to last, etc..~~

; and, Be It Further

Moved, That all subsequent articles be renumbered..

Effective: January 1, 2009.

Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #32-11/19/08-BOD)**