

Arabian Horse Youth Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Approved Minutes
Albuquerque, New Mexico
July 16, 2015

I. Welcome and Call to Order – Holly

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm on Thursday July 16, 2015

Roll Call/Introductions – Holly

Holly Schnader: P, Molly Schwister: S, Taylor Kyse: T, Julia Smith, Emily Barker R1, Flora ElmColone R2, Rihanna R5, Shannon Agne R5, Kelsey McMahan R7, Kate Matthews R8 Treasurer, Bethany Dewitt R9, Skye Williams R9, Emmy Farago R10 Vice Director, Kate Lewis R11, Rachele Cate R13, Sydney Young R17, Cindy Howey Youth Committee Vice Chair, Debbie Himmel Youth Committee Chair, Stacey Dunn Youth Committee Vice Chair, Cynthia Richardson AHA President Guest, Evette Howey Guest, Kelly Elm Guest, Julian McPeak Guest, Kelly Young Guest. Lilly Martinelli, Gabriella Burshteyn. 1

Quorum was established.

II. Robert's Rules of Order – Debbie

a. We follow parliamentary procedure as best as possible. Some notes:

- i. The President will conduct the meeting, and will call on individuals to speak per the agenda
- ii. Raise your hand to be acknowledged by the President before speaking
- iii. 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 – Holly

Motion #1 (7/16/15) made by Flora to approve the agenda and was seconded by Emily.

IV. Approval of March Minutes – Molly

Motion #2 (7/16/15) made by Kelsey to approve the March minutes and was seconded by Taylor.

V. Treasurer's Report – Taylor

Fundraising was a success this year and is at a good start so far this year.

VI. Unfinished Business

a. Timeline and Responsibilities Review – Brenna

Youth Directors need to get information to Brenna.

b. Social Media – Brenna

- i. AHYA Blog – www.arabianhorses.org/ahyablog - Writing assignments
- ii. Instagram – *arabianhorseyouth* – *Must go through Julian at AHA*
- iii. Facebook – www.facebook.com/arabianhorseyouthassociation - Please re-share posts to your personal or regional page.
- iv. Twitter – *AHYneigh*- *thank you for Retweets, Favorites, & Follows*
- v. SnapChat – *AHYneigh*

Discussion was made to have geofilters for national shows

c. AYHC Symposium – (Molly, Taylor)

Molly and Taylor attended the AYHC Symposium in March. During the event they attended different clinics and farm tours.

d. Membership Growth – Updates (Everyone)

Julian had a magazine survey for AHYA only digital magazine.

i. Magazine Survey – Julian

The board took several minutes to take the magazine survey

VII. Regional Updates

Region 1: AHASC raised money for their judging teams to go to US Nationals for judging. They held their second annual regional judging competition. They are getting ready for their next youth meeting.

Region 2: At the regional show they had youth activities and a very successful scavenger hunt and ice cream social. Region 2 just started their first ever silent auction to raise money for the youth.

Region 3: Youth are planning on having a Calcutta to raise money for the horsemen's distrust fun. They are also planning on having youth activities for their youth at their championship show.

Region 4:

Region 5: Working on fundraisers for the youth their show

Region 6:

Region 7: Really successful youth meeting at their show, as well as a new board for the youth.

Region 7 raised a lot of money with silent auction and chuck a duck.

Region 8: Regional show had a coin drive and the money was donated to make a wish.

Region 9: Elected a new board. Qualifier shirts for their regional and made a large profit. They held a chuck a duck for a fundraiser.

Region 10: Since the last meeting R10 held their fourth annual judging contest, they had youth activities daily at the youth lounge at the regional show, as well as having their annual awards presentation at the regional show. There was a scavenger hunt at the show and a chuck duck put on by the MAHA Youth.

Region 11: T-shirts were given to youth. They held a chuck a duck for a fundraiser. They held a meeting at the regional show and set up a stand at the progressive barn party. They held a Hippology contest

Region 12:

Region 13: T-shirt sale to raise money. They held a battle of the barns. They also did a chuck a duck to raise money. Started a youth assistance fund for the youth that want to show that cannot afford it.

Region 14:

Region 15:

Region 16:

Region 17: Youth put on a potluck for the exhibitors and a chuck a duck. Youth members had a BBQ and a meeting to help get more youth members to participate in. Their regional show is coming up and they have activities and meeting planned for the regional show.

Region 18:

VIII. AHYA Committees

a. Reports

i. Convention/Credentials – *Jacklyn*

Not in attendance

ii. Youth Activities – *Taylor*

Many activities are set in place for youth national activities and fundraisers.

iii. Membership/Fundraising & Promotions – *Taylor*

1. Qualifier T-shirts Report

2. Fundraising How-To Progress

Not many new activities are planned. Manly the same activities as last year for fundraisers.

iv. Regional/National Classes – *Molly*

There has been discussion to have a select class for youth at youth nationals. As well as choice and elite riders.

v. Equitation & Showmanship – *Emily*

New equitation manual has been released. New patterns for equational as well as new rules for dressage patterns and hunter over fences.

vi. Working Western – *Jackie*

vii. Sport Horse – *Emily and Katie*

Western Dressage made its debut at Scottsdale. Youth nationals has an age split in sport horse. Sport horse JO classes.

viii. Distance – *McCamey*

ix. Canadian Nationals – *Molly*

Planning on activities for the youth and activities during the show.

IX. Youth Nationals

a. Schedule – *Brenna*

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

Committee signup sheets will be up

Regional games will be held before the convention starts while people are entering

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

Stall decorating contest voting needs to be in on Monday for each division.

b. Fundraisers

i. Flying Pigs – Only one time

ii. Barn Night Out – CPK & Elephant Bar

CPK lunch and dinner, Elephant Bar for dinner

iii. PFF (Pink Flamingo Flock)

iv. Limited Edition Item – Dog Collars (\$18) s, m, l

v. Golf Car Raffle – Each Region must sell (10) Tickets

c. Sponsorships

d. Volunteerism/Committee Work

i. Help with T.A.I.L Tours/Activity Promotion as available

ii. Fundraise w/YNL Activities – PFF help

e. Flag Riders

i. Need a rider on Friday night

ii. Confirm AHA flag on Saturday night

f. Anthems

i. All set

X. AHYA Convention

a. Recruiting Ideas – All AHA members are welcome to attend this year. Invite/promote with your friends/region.

b. Planning – Games/Script Changes

Before the convention region will have games to play.

c. Keynote Speaker Chase Harvill (12:30-1:00)

XI. New Business

i. Discontinue Creative Contest

1. Only 5 entries

2. Need to come up with new contest – relates to you all

Discussion was made to have a creative contest on more of a social media way to do it and have it be advertised in the Modern Arabian Horse Magazine.

Motion #3 (7/15/16) Abby made a motion to discontinue the creative contest. Seconded by Rachele.

- ii. Move RYTT deadline to March 1st – truly at beginning of show season
Motion #4 (7/15/16) made by Flora to move the RYTT due to February 1st seconded by Rihanna.
- iii. How to judge Parade of Regions?
Awards will be given to the reserve and champion carts. They marketing committee will judge. It is being judged on quality of construction, connection with country, participation of kids.
- iv. When to have Fall meeting – USN or Convention
Straw vote for USN: 3
Convention: 16
Motion #5 (7/15/16) Sydney made a motion to have the fall meeting at AHA Convention in Tulsa, seconded by Kate.

XII. Reminders – Holly

- a. **Aug. 1** – Welcome 2015-2016 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. 16-22 – 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. 15 – Regional Reports Due**
- e. **Sept. 22 – National Arabian Horse Judging Contest entries are DUE**
- f. **Sept. 15-20 – Sport Horse Nationals** – Volunteers needed for Youth Programs
- g. **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.**
- h. **Oct. 17-25 – US Nationals Horse Show**
 - i. If you will be at US Nationals, please volunteer for Youth Programs
- i. **Oct. 24 – National Arabian Horse Judging Contest** – Volunteers needed.
- j. **Nov. 1 – Silent Auction Items to AHA**
- k. **Nov. 15 – Regional Reports Due**
- l. **Nov. 20-22 – AHA Convention** – Denver, CO

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45