Cynthia Richardson, President called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., July 31, 2015, at the AHA Headquarters, Aurora, Colorado.

PRESENT:

Cynthia Richardson  Mary Jane Brown  Lisa Blackstone
Nancy Harvey       Tague Johnson   Rebecca Fleck
Terry Andreasen    Cheri Clark     Duane Esser
Bob Nash           Chris Culbreth  Jan Birk
Jan Decker         Rusty Cook     Don Schwartz
Lance Walters      Margo Shallcross Terry Johnson
Mary Ann Hughes    Chuck Rickart  Kathie Hart
Jay Greenberg      Dave Waggoner  Howard Shenk
Pam Bingham

OTHERS PRESENT:
Gayla Stone, Parliamentarian; Glenn Petty, Executive Vice President; various members of the AHA staff; and various AHA members were present at the Board of Directors meeting.

ABSENT:
Howard Pike, Vice President At-Large; Allan Ehrlick, Region 18 Director; Sue Meyer, Director At-Large; and Cory Soltau, Director At-Large.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION by Jan Decker, That the Board of Directors agenda of July 31-August 1, 2015 be approved as amended.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #1-7/31/15-BOD)

CLOSED SESSION
The Board of Directors held a closed session from 8:05 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS
Cynthia Richardson, President, welcomed everyone to the Board of Directors meeting. Ms. Richardson reported on her recent attendance at a parliamentarian training class in Denver; Central Park Show update; April 25-26, 2015 Executive Committee planning meeting; and Youth Nationals.

ARABIAN HORSE CELEBRATION
MOTION by Margo Shallcross, to rescind the vote to take no action on Motion #10-3/13/15-BOD regarding AHA Show Recognition for the Arabian Horse Celebration.
Motion Defeated. (Motion #2-7/31/15-BOD)
EDUCATION/EVALUATION COMMISSION

MOTION by Tague Johnson, to rescind the election of Bill Melendez to the Education/Evaluation Commission. Effective immediately.
Motion Passed. (Motion #3-7/31/15-BOD) (Extraordinary 2/3 vote)
(Written Ballot – 24 in favor and 1 disapproved)

RECEIVE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Jan Decker, to receive the consent agenda.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #4-7/31/15-BOD)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Jan Decker, Secretary, gave a synopsis of the April 25-26, 2015; and July 30, 2015 Executive Committee meetings. (See Exhibit I)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

MOTION by Jan Decker, That CBP 106.4. be amended to read as follows:
4. A member of the Board of Directors Executive Committee may not chair a Tier B Committee. In an exceptional case the Executive Committee may override this limitation. Effective Immediately.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #5-7/31/15-BOD)

SUBMISSION OF BOARD MINUTES TO OFFICIAL BOOKS

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the March 13-14, 2015; March 25, 2015; and April 30, 2015 Board of Director minutes that were approved on May 23, 2015, be submitted to the Official Books of AHA.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #6-7/31/15-BOD)

JUDGES & STEWARDS COMMISSIONER REPORT

Stan Morey gave the Judges & Stewards Commissioner Report. Mr. Morey advised that there are 269 AHA judges of which 154 are National/Regional judges; also, there are 141 Stewards of which 10 are licensed for Competitive Trail and 21 are licensed for Endurance. The Board members were advised that the 2015 Judges & Exhibitor School, 2015 Judges Evaluation, 2016 Judges Seminar, and the 2016 National/Regional Interviews will be held December 3-9, 2015 in Scottsdale, Arizona. The Commissioner’s office is in the process of contracting the 2016 National judges and stewards. Mr. Morey announced that this year’s Judges & Stewards Hall of Fame inductees are: Bob Armstrong, Joyce Hamblin, Bill Hughes, Judy Kibler, Richard Petty and Ron Rhodes.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s Report was given by Bob Nash. Mr. Nash reported on the status of the Association’s Financials. Brad Short, Controller, reported on the status of the March 31, 2015 Audited Financials.
AHA FUTURE STATE
Bill Richardson, Program Manager, reported on the current status of AHA’s Future State. Mr. Richardson also reported on the resources required for the program and projections for the next phases.

NOMINATIONS
Director’s Award—Nomination forms for the Director’s Award were collected so that ballots could be made and distributed for voting.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT REPORT/DEPARTMENT UPDATES
Glenn Petty gave the Executive Vice President Report. Mr. Petty reported on completed building repairs (lighting, HVAC, roof, rebates and cost savings), additional building repairs needed (window caulking, painting, and new carpet), litigation, and Iristrac horse identification.

Brad Short, Controller/Senior Director of Administrative Support Services, reported on staffing, contingency funds, audit status, and allocations.

Lora Holman, HR & Office Services Director, reported on compliance audits, staffing, performance reviews, and training library. Ms. Holman announced that AHA received a Colorado State University Wall of Fame Employer Elite award.

Jim Lawless, Director of Business Technology, reported on staffing; Horse Registration System (HRS), new firewall, security policy, database administrator outsource, national show support, capital expenditures, and Future State.

Leslie Lockard, Competition Services Senior Director, reported on High Point Achievement leaders, resolutions, Sweepstakes prize money, statistics of Youth Nationals, Sport Horse Nationals, and Regional shows.

Debbie Fuentes, Membership & Registry Services Senior Director, reported on registration statistics, passports, Half-Arabian parentage verifications, membership statistics and promotion, outreach and alliance activity, AHA booth at Youth Nationals, Convention mailings and delegate statistics, and attendance at American Horse Council meeting and national issues forum.

Julian McPeak, Marketing Director, reported on staffing, goals and objectives; communications; corporate partners and sponsors; and Modern Arabian Horse.

CONVENTION REPORT
Mary Ann Hughes, Board Liaison, gave the Annual Convention Planning Committee report. Ms. Hughes reported that this year’s Convention will be held November 18-21 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the Hyatt Regency. The Board members were advised that the 2016 Convention will be held November 16-19 at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. Ms. Hughes reminded everyone to register online for
Convention by October 1 to take advantage of the early bird discounted rate and also to book hotel rooms prior to the October 15 cut-off date. Glenn Petty, Executive Vice President, reported on the status of the Denver Marriott Tech Center renovations.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT REPORT/DEPARTMENT UPDATES
Julian McPeak, Marketing Director, reported on national events and general promotion, website rebuild, Market Development and Promotion Committee 2015 priorities.

Brenna Whitlock, Youth & Family Programs Coordinator, reported on the AHYA Board meeting in March and at Youth Nationals. Ms. Whitlock advised that the AHYA Board voted to discontinue the Creative Contest and requested that this be presented to the AHA Board of Directors for consideration.

**MOTION by Nancy Harvey:**
Whereas, The Creative Contest is held each year; and
Whereas, AHYA would like to discontinue the Creative Contest as entries have been decreasing each year with only 5 total entries this year; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the Creative Contest from here forward be discontinued.
Effective: December 31, 2015.
Motion Passed Unanimously.  (Motion #7-7/31/15-BOD)

Ms. Whitlock also advised that the AHYA Board voted to change the Regional Youth Team Tournament deadline from May 1 to February 1 and requested that this be presented to the AHA Board of Directors for consideration.

**MOTION by Nancy Harvey:**
Whereas, The current date of the Regional Youth Team Tournament (RYTT) is May 1st; and
Whereas, AHYA would like to encourage participants to enter the contest before the start of show season; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the RYTT due date in YTH 109. 5. be changed from May 1st of the contest year to February 1st of the contest year.
Effective: December 31, 2015.
Motion Passed Unanimously.  (Motion #8-7/31/15-BOD)

Ms. Whitlock reported on the Dever Golf Car raffle, and Youth National activities. Ms. Whitlock reported on the AHYA Executive Committee elections: Taylor Kyse, President; Emily Barker, Vice President; Flora ElmColone, Secretary; and Sydney Young, Treasurer.

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARDS
Cynthia Richardson, President, discussed changing the criteria for the AHA Club Excellence Awards and presented the proposed revisions to the Board of Directors for consideration.
MOTION by Howard Shenk to approve the recommended revisions to the Club Excellence Award program. Effective January 1, 2016. Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #9-7/31/15-BOD) (See Exhibit II)

VOTING & BALLOT COLLECTION FOR DIRECTOR’S AWARD
Ballots for the Director’s Award were distributed to the Board members for voting and collection for tabulation.

NOMINATIONS
Boards/Commissions/Committees—The following members were nominated as candidates: AHA Futurity Commission: Mary Jane Brown (Region 4) and John Ryan (Region 8); AHA National Distance Commission: Elizabeth Dagnall (Region 6) and Anthony Troyer (Region 11); Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Commission: Grace Greenlee (Region 12), Walter Misco (Region 16), and Russ Taylor (Region 9); Canadian National Show Commission: Dave Daugherty (Region 14) and Allan Ehrlick (Region 18); Commissioner’s Review Panel: Kathie Hart (Amateur) (Region 9), Richard Petty (Judge) (Region 8), and Elizabeth Wheeler (Breeder) (Region 8); Education/Evaluation Commission: Mary Jane Brown (Region 4), Kathy Callahan-Smith (Region 1), Chris Culbreth (Region 7), Karen Homer-Brown (Region 13), and Chuck Mangan (Region 8); Ethical Practice Review Board: Bevra Cole (Region 10), Joe Hull (Attorney) (Region 14), and Cory Soltau (Judge) (Region 3); Internal Audit Committee: Dave Waggoner (Region 11); Judges & Stewards Selection Committee: Nancy Miller (Region 10), Lynne Ridgeway (Region 12), and Phyllis Ryan (Region 5); Market Development & Promotion Committee (Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Representatives): Mary Trowbridge (Region 8); Nominating Committee: Mary Ann Hughes (Region 1) and Peggy Weems (Region 4); Probable Cause Panel: Jane Whitwell (Region 18); Registration Commission (AHA Representatives): Sherry Layne (Region 7); Sport Horse National Show Commission: Jill Barton (Region 18) and Catherine Gage (Region 13); U.S. National Show Commission: Glen True (Region 11) and Lance Walters (Region 16); Youth National Show Commission: Kelly Charpentier (Region 0) and Mickey Hegg (Region 7).

2016 BOARD MEETING DATES
MOTION by Jan Decker to approve the following dates for the 2016 Board of Director meetings: March 11-12, 2016, Aurora, Colorado; August 5-6, 2016, Aurora, Colorado; and November 16, 2016 at Convention in Denver, Colorado. Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #10-7/31/15-BOD)

Discussion was held on possibly holding a Regional workshop meeting in May 2016 to share financial information, non-profit status, bylaws, horse show management, etc. It was determined that this would be addressed further at the November 18, 2015 Board meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma.
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AHA NATIONAL DISTANCE COMMISSION
Rusty Cook, Board Liaison, gave the AHA National Distance Commission report. Ms. Cook reported on sponsors and donations for this year’s rides which will be held September 10-13 in the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area near Oneida, Tennessee. The Board members were advised that the Commission has also been busy planning the 2016 and 2017 rides. Cynthia Richardson, President, requested that the Board members help support the National Distance rides by promoting the event and considering sponsorships.

DISTANCE COMMITTEE
MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to reduce ribbon costs for the National Competitive Trail Ride Championship; and
Whereas, There is a desire to clarify what type of ribbon will be awarded to each place; and
Whereas, CT112.11 currently reads:
Top Ten. A horse finishing 1st through 10th in each respective division (two divisions: one for Arabians, one for Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians) will be named Top Ten.
The National Championship Competitive Trail Ride, will award Top Ten ribbons in every class and ride, no matter how many entries per class or ride compete, (and if ten or fewer, all exhibitors will be awarded a Top Ten ribbon). All Top Ten Awards shall include qualifications, and all other AHA program benefits with the exception of the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes, the Horse Achievement Award Program, Amateur Achievement Award Program, High Point Horse Achievement Award, High Point Amateur Achievement Award and Distance Horse Program, which programs shall remain as is awarding 50%; Therefore; Be it
Moved, That CT112.11 be amended to read:
Top Ten. A horse finishing 1st through 10th in each respective division (two divisions: one for Arabians, one for Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians) will be named Top Ten. The National Championship Competitive Trail Ride will award Champion, Reserve Champion and Top Ten ribbons in every class and ride, no matter how many entries per class or ride compete. (Champion and Reserve Champions will receive respective placing ribbons. All Top Ten Awards shall include qualifications, and all other AHA program benefits with the exception of the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes, the Horse Achievement Award Program, Amateur Achievement Award Program, High Point Horse Achievement Award, High Point Amateur Achievement Award and Distance Horse Program, which programs shall remain as is awarding 50%.
Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #11-7/31/15-BOD)

MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to clarify when Regional Competitive Trail Ride Championship results are official; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That CT111.2 be amended to read:
1. The results for the AHA Regional Championship rides will be submitted to the AHA office by the Ride Secretary for the placings in the AHA divisions within 15 days of the ride.
   a. When AHA Regional Championship rides is held in conjunction with an ‘Approved Ride Organization’ Open ride, the results from the Open ride must be reported by the owner for each horse by submitting a properly signed and completed Open Qualifying Ride Results form within 90 days of the ride.

2. Regional ride results are unofficial until posted on the AHA website. Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #12-7/31/15-BOD)

MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to clarify when National Championship competitive trail ride results are official; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That CT115.1 be amended to read:
The results for the AHA National Championship Ride will be submitted to the AHA office by the AHA Ride Secretary within 15 days of the event. National Ride Results are unofficial until posted on the AHA website.
Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #13-7/31/15-BOD)

MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to recommend membership for Ride Managers of local recognized rides as they use other organization ride procedures and rules; and
Whereas, There is a desire to hold Regional and National Ride Managers accountable to run their rides in accordance with AHA rules and procedures; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That END102.10 be amended to read:
It is recommended that both the Ride Secretary and Manager have active individual AHA Memberships. Regional and National Championship Ride managers must have an active AHA membership.
Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #14-7/31/15-BOD)

MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire for consistency in the qualification requirements for endurance and competitive trail horses; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That END107.6 be amended to read:
Previous AHA Recognized National Champion Endurance Horses are qualified for life and may re-enter any National or Regional Championship Endurance Ride. Reserve National Champion Endurance horses are qualified for four years, plus the portion of the current year prior to the close of entries for the National Endurance Ride, and may re-enter the National Endurance Ride within that period.
MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to clarify when Regional Endurance Championship results are official; and Therefore, Be It
Moved, That CT111.2 be amended to read;
The results for the AHA Regional Championship rides will be submitted to the AHA office by the Ride Secretary for the placings in the AHA divisions. **Regional ride results are unofficial until posted on the AHA website.**
a. When the AHA Regional Championship ride is held in conjunction with an AERC/FEI/Endurance Canada Open ride, the results from the Open Ride must be reported for each horse by submitting a properly signed and completed AHA Open Qualifying Ride Results Form within 90 days of the ride.

Effective: January 1, 2016
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #16-7/31/15-BOD)

ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES

MOTION by Jan Decker, to recess the AHA Board of Directors meeting and convene as the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trustees.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #17-7/31/15-BOD)

The Board of Directors held an Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trust session from 3:16 p.m. to 3:40 p.m.

MOTION by Jan Decker, to adjourn the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trustees meeting and reconvene the AHA Board of Directors meeting.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #18-7/31/15-BOD)

MOTION by Jan Decker to approve motions number 3, 4 and 5 of the July 31, 2015 Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Trustees meeting.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #19-7/31/15-BOD) (See Exhibit III)

Cynthia Richardson, President, reviewed the Sweepstakes statistics with the Board members.

DISTANCE COMMITTEE

MOTION by Rusty Cook:
Whereas, There is a desire to reduce ribbon costs for the National Endurance Championship; and
Whereas, There is a desire to clarify what type of ribbon will be awarded to each place; and
Whereas, END104.8.c. currently reads:
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Top Ten. A horse finishing 1st through 10th in each respective division (two divisions: one for Arabians, one for Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians) will be named Top Ten.
The National Championship Endurance Ride, will award Top Ten ribbons in every class and ride, no matter how many entries per class or ride compete, (and if ten or fewer, all exhibitors will be awarded a Top Ten ribbon). All Top Ten Awards shall include qualifications, and all other AHA program benefits with the exception of the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes, the Horse Achievement Award Program, Amateur Achievement Award Program, High Point Horse Achievement Award, High Point Amateur Achievement Award and Distance Horse Program, which programs shall remain as is awarding 50%; Therefore, Be it

Moved, That END104.8.c. be amended to read:
Top Ten. A horse finishing 1st through 10th in each respective division (two divisions: one for Arabians, one for Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians) will be named Top Ten. **The National Championship Endurance Ride will award Champion, Reserve Champion and Top Ten ribbons in every class and ride, no matter how many entries per class or ride compete. (Champions and Reserve Champions will receive respective placing ribbons.)** All Top Ten Awards shall include qualifications, and all other AHA program benefits with the exception of the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes, the Horse Achievement Award Program, Amateur Achievement Award Program, High Point Horse Achievement Award, High Point Amateur Achievement Award and Distance Horse Program, which programs shall remain as is awarding 50%.

Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. *(Motion #20-7/31/15-BOD)*

ARABIAN HORSE FOUNDATION (AHF) REPORT
Nancy Harvey, Board Liaison, gave the Arabian Horse Foundation (AHF) report. Ms. Harvey reported on the AHF and Markel scholarships awarded at Youth Nationals. Ms. Harvey also reported on additional AHF scholarships that have been awarded this year.

NATIONAL SHOW PICTURE POLICY
Discussion was held on the national show picture policy which was approved at the March 2015 Board of Directors meeting (Motion #9-3-15-BOD). After a lengthy discussion it was determined that it would be up to each of the respective show commissions to determine which authorized personnel would be allowed to enter the ring at the time of the award photographs.

CANADIAN NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION
Kelsey Berglund, Staff Liaison, gave the Canadian National Show Commission report. Ms. Berglund reported on sponsor added prize money, VS outbreaks, worker permit issues, added classes, entries, patrons, and facility updates.
U.S. NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION
Kelsey Berglund, Staff Liaison, gave the U.S. National Show Commission report. Ms. Berglund advised that the Commission has been working with the U.S. Nationals Breeding/In-Hand Ad Hoc Committee on improvements for the Halter classes at this year’s show. Ms. Berglund also reported on facility updates, and displaying farm and regional flags.

SPORT HORSE NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION
Rebecca Fleck, Board Liaison, gave the Sport Horse National Show Commission report. Ms. Fleck advised that this year’s show will be held September 15-20 in Raleigh, North Carolina, and invited everyone to attend. Ms. Fleck reported on sponsorships, silent auction, exhibitor and barn parties, and live-streaming of the show.

YOUTH NATIONAL SHOW COMMISSION
Kathie Hart, Commissioner, gave the Youth National Show Commission report. Ms. Hart reported on statistics for the show (entries, horses, sponsors, and patrons). The Board members were advised that next year’s show will be held July 23-30 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.
President Cynthia Richardson called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. on August 1, 2015 at the AHA Headquarters, Aurora, Colorado.

ADDITIONAL ABSENT
Lance Walters, Immediate Past President.

CLOSED SESSION
The Board of Directors held a closed session from 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

COMPETITIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Margo Shallcross, Chair, gave a synopsis of the July 30, 2015 Competitions Advisory Committee meeting.

MOTION by Margo Shallcross:
Whereas, After receiving feedback from exhibitors that the Select Rider Division is too large on the Regional/Regular Competition level; and
Whereas, To solve this issue it is felt that the point requirement should be adjusted; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That the leveling points be adjusted as follows:

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|                 |                                              | a. Has not received more than 75 AHA Achievement points |
|                 |                                              | b. Has not leveled out of the National Select Amateur Level |
| Choice Amateur  | Has received 30 points but not more than 60 AHA National Achievement points | Has not received one of the following:
|                 |                                              | a. Has not received more than 200 AHA Achievement points |
|                 |                                              | b. Has not leveled out of the National Choice Amateur Level |
| Elite Amateur   | Has received at least 70 or more National Achievement points. | Has received more than 200 AHA Achievement points |
| Primetime       | AHA member, USEF amateur 60 years of age or older | AHA member, USEF amateur 60 years of age or older |
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELING PROGRAM - YOUTH

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Effective: December 1, 2015
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #21-8/1/15-BOD)

MOTION by Margo Shallcross:
Whereas, Several hundred horses each year are qualifying from National wins and are not required to re-qualify to compete at a National show; and
Whereas, Re-qualifying National Champions will help AHA Recognized Shows and would add more revenue to qualifying shows; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That AHA COMP 1216 be modified as follows:

COMP 1216. NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FROM NATIONAL SHOWS
Previous AHA Recognized National Champions are qualified for life and may re-enter that National Championship class, and Reserve National Champions are qualified for two additional years to re-enter that National Championship class. (BOD 8/09). Lifetime Qualifications earned may be used at any National Championship Show (as long as the class is offered). (BOD 3/12)

Exceptions:
1. UPHA Equitation riders must re-qualify each year. (Refer to UPHA for complete rules and age of rider.)
2. An Equitation rider qualified in 18 & under is not affected by a change in the age of the rider.
3. An Amateur Owner qualified horse is not affected by a change in the age of the Amateur Owner Rider (AAO or JO).
4. An Amateur qualified horse is not affected by a change in the age of the Amateur Rider (AAT or JT).
5. Only points or scores from AHA Recognized Shows other than Regionals or Nationals will count for National Shows.

6. A National Championship earned in a Junior Horse Performance class will qualify that horse in that Junior Horse Performance class for as long as that horse is deemed a Junior Horse.

7. A National Champion in Dressage in an Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian National Championship class is qualified for two additional years in that class including split Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian classes. A National Championship in Dressage in an Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian class is qualified for two additional years in that class including combined Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian classes. (BOD 3/12)

8. A National Champion or Reserve National Champion in Sport Horse in an Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian National Championship class may use this qualification for either Dressage Type or Hunter Type (but not both) when classes are split by type. (BOD 3/14)

Effective: January 1, 2016.

Motion Withdrawn.  **(Motion #22-8/1/15-BOD)**

Concerns were expressed that exhibitors who previously earned National Championships were qualified for life and with this motion they would have to re-qualify every two years, plus they would have the same qualifications as a Reserve National Championship. It was also noted that this would require computer programming to make the changes which would be an added expense. There were also concerns expressed regarding the effective date which would affect the future state work in progress. It was determined that this would be withdrawn and sent back to the Competition Advisory Committee for further research and review of the costs involved to implement these changes. It was also determined that this motion would be brought back to the November Board of Directors meeting at Convention.

**USEF AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT**

Nancy Harvey, Vice President, gave the USEF Ad Hoc Committee report. Ms. Harvey reported that there was a spring town hall meeting to solicit feedback on the USEF show mileage restrictions. After study of the feedback, changes were made to rule GR301.2 and GR306.7 which will be effective August 1. Ms. Harvey stated that the committee continues to study this matter further.

**INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**MOTION** by Chris Culbreth, That the Arabian Horse Association (“the Association”) Board of Directors approve the retention of the independent CPA firm of JDS Professional Group to audit the books and records and prepare the corporate tax returns of the Association for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016.

Motion Passed Unanimously.  **(Motion #23-8/1/15-BOD)**

**MOTION** by Chris Culbreth, That the Arabian Horse Association (“the Association”) Board of Directors approve the President’s expenses in the amount of $5,994.12 for the period March 1,
2015 through June 30, 2015. These expenses have been examined by the Internal Audit Committee and have been determined to be acceptable. Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #24-8/1/15-BOD)

MARKET DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION (MDP) COMMITTEE
Lisa Blackstone, Committee Member, gave the Market Development & Promotion Committee report. Ms. Blackstone reported that the Committee in cooperation with AHA had applied for a grant from USET to help support AHA’s marketing initiatives, however, the grant was denied. Ms. Blackstone reported that other sister breed organizations had submitted similar applications which has resulted in USET committing to study this further to try to come up with a way to help market the horse industry.

PUREBRED ARABIAN TRUST (PAT) UPDATE
Terry Andreasen, Vice President At-Large, gave the Purebred Arabian Trust update. Mr. Andreasen reported on the Arabian Horse Galleries at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky. The Board members were advised that PAT is in the process of scheduling their fall meeting.

RACING COMMISSION REPORT
Terry Andreasen, Vice President At-Large, gave the Racing Commission report. Mr. Andreasen reported on the triple Jewel races and advised that the 3rd leg (Diamond Jewel) will be held in September. Mr. Andreasen reported that participation in racing in the U.S. is down.

REGISTRATION COMMISSION REPORT
Jan Birk, Commissioner, gave the Registration Commission Report. Ms. Birk reported that the May meeting/Breeder’s Forum that was held at Regency Cove Farms in Scottsdale, Arizona, was a success. The Board members were advised that the next meeting/Forum will be held September 18-19, 2015 at Stachowski Farm in Mantua, Ohio.

AHA IN FIVE YEARS
Cynthia Richardson, President, reported that she is in the process of preparing a summary of all of the responses received from the Board of Directors. Ms. Richardson requested that Board members who have not submitted their responses to do so as soon as possible. The Board members were advised that input had been requested and received from members of the AHYA Board. Ms. Richardson advised that responses received would be reviewed for possible incorporation into the Strategic Plan and Future State. The Board members were advised that recommendations will be made for consideration at the Convention Board of Directors meeting.

RESOLUTIONS
Cynthia Richardson, President, gave a synopsis on some of the resolutions that have been received to date and those that are in the works for this year’s Convention. Ms. Richardson reviewed the Agenda & Resolutions Committee process of reviewing the resolutions.
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AHA REFUND POLICY

MOTION by Terry Andreasen:
Whereas, AHA currently has an undocumented policy to send refund checks for net credits on accounts of $5.00 and over; and
Whereas, It has been recommended by staff to carry the net credit until the credit is at least $25.00; and
Whereas, The policy should be documented and placed appropriately in the AHA Board of Directors Policy Manual; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That any refund amount under $25.00 be retained for up to two (2) years; and, Be It Further
Moved, That refunds of $25.00 or more and refunds under $25.00 that have exceeded the two (2) year retention be issued annually unless a customer requests payment; and, Be It Further
Moved, That this policy be added to the AHA Policy Manual, 2.3 Financial Condition and Activities as item number 14.
Effective: Immediately.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #25-8/1/15-BOD) (Extraordinary Motion)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION
Discussion was held on the lack of detailed information on AHA’s financial statements and the frequency of mailings. It was noted that this has been addressed in the Future State discussions and plans are underway to resolve this matter.

Cynthia Richardson, President, reported that AHA recently purchased a professional camera for the Marketing Department to produce top quality video clips at the national events. Ms. Richardson complimented the Marketing Department on the great job they did at Youth Nationals and presented a few of the daily update videos for the Board members to view.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Jan Decker, AHA Secretary

Approved: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________ Initials: ____________________________
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AURORA, COLORADO
APPROVED MOTION
APRIL 25-26, 2015

MULTI YEAR BUDGET

MOTION by Terry Andreasen, seconded by Nancy Harvey:
Whereas, The Future State Development Cost Study report reflected three options; and
Whereas, Option A reflects the likely time line of 4.5 years at an annual cost of $96,714; and
Whereas, Option B reflects the likely time line of 2.8 years at an annual cost of $364,987; and
Whereas, Option C reflects the likely time line of 3.4 years at an annual cost of $226,111; Therefore, Be it
Moved, That; The Executive Committee approve going forward with Option C to plan for $230,000 in the
budgeting process in the development of the Future State projects of the Arabian Horse Association
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #1-4/25/15-EC)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AURORA, COLORADO
UNAPPROVED MOTIONS
JULY 30, 2015

REFUND CHECKS

MOTION by Terry Andreasen, seconded by Lance Walters, That refund checks will not be written for accounts
with amounts under $25. Amounts under $25 will be retained for up to two (2) years. Brad Short, Controller; and Terry
Andreasen, Vice President At-Large; will develop the policy for inclusion in the Policy Manual regarding this issue.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #1-7/30/15-EC)
Note: Howard Pike, Vice President At-Large was absent.

USEF REPRESENTATION

MOTION by Terry Andreasen, seconded by Bob Nash, That the 2016 USEF National Breeds and Discipline
Council Arabian representatives will be Jan Decker, Cecile Hetzel Dunn, Cynthia Richardson, and Lance Walters.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #2-7/30/15-EC)
Note: Nancy Harvey, Vice President, was not present for this vote; and, Howard Pike, Vice President At-Large was
absent.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

MOTION by Jan Decker, seconded by Terry Andreasen, That CBP 106.4. be amended to read as follows:
4. A member of the Board of Directors Executive Committee may not chair a Tier B Committee. In an exceptional case
the Executive Committee may override this limitation. Effective Immediately.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #3-7/30/15-EC)
Note: Howard Pike, Vice President At-Large was absent.
EXHIBIT II

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARDS CATEGORIES

Please check the category for this entry. (check only one) A club may apply in numerous categories, but the submissions must be specific to a single category and not one submission to cover multiple categories. This will be strictly enforced.

- Breed Promotion/Community Involvement
  What are some ways that your club has reached out to people outside of the Arabian Community? It could any combination of the following, but not limited to these suggestions: 1. Reaching out to current horse owners of other breeds, to individuals that have just shown an interest in equine pursuits or to the general public in the form of entertainment which might lead to further interest. 2. An educational event that is not restricted to just Arabian owners. 3. Involving the community through demonstrations, hands on activities, farm tours, parades, seminars, etc. 4. Providing clinics to 4-H, FFA, Scouts, etc. 5. Any events that have the potential to introduce our horses in a positive light to encourage membership and ownership.

- Membership Recruitment or Retention
  How do you maintain members and encourage new members to join your club and the association? Examples are, but not limited to: new membership drives, incentive programs for new and current members, activities to encourage members to stay involved, awards programs for volunteers, how is your club building the value of membership, etc.

- Club Projects
  What activities are specific to your club and its members? Some activities and new ways for members to be involved in the club are: trail rides, fun classes at recognized horse shows, fun shows or events, high points for year end to include a series of shows, stallion service auction, fundraisers for special events or for your delegates, any opportunity to have fun or educate you members, etc.

MEMBER ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION
AWD 115. AHA CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD PROGRAM.
1. Award Categories.
   a. Breed Promotion/Community Involvement. – Judged on overall presentation, success of activity (people reached, memberships, follow up contact) and creativity
      Breed Promotion/Community Involvement category may include any outreach activity that goes beyond the Arabian Horse Community. Examples: farm tours, demonstrations at all-breed events, clinics for 4-H, FFA, Boy Scouts, Parades, Mini-Seminars, etc.
   b. Membership Recruitment or Retention. – Judged on overall presentation and success of activity (how many people reached, members gained, members retained),
      Membership Recruitment or Retention category may include membership recruitment and retention campaigns.
   c. Club Projects. – Involvement of club members, success of activity, creativity participants reactions/thoughts
      Club Projects category includes projects that are specific to that individual club and its members.

2. Rules.
   a. All entries must be postmarked/electronic transaction dated by August 15 of the current year.
   b. The only activities eligible for entry are those produced and implemented between August 1 of the preceding year and August 1 of the current year. Club entry must include the final result of the activity or project.
   c. Clubs may submit more than one entry in each category; however each entry can only represent a separate and distinct activity or project. Clubs may also submit entries into any number of categories.
EXHIBIT II, Continued

d. Entry form, cover sheet or summary, and examples or more detailed information are required (pictures, statistics, people’s testimonies, brochures, details from the event). Entries that do not include all required information will not be judged.
e. Complete a separate entry form for each activity or project.
f. Send one copy of each entry.
g. Entries become the property of AHA and will not be returned. AHA has the right to display your entry at any AHA event or reprint the text in any AHA publications.
h. Visual information (photos, videos, etc.) is optional for any entry and encouraged.

a. Profit motive is not necessarily a judging criteria
b. A panel of three judges selected by the Membership Committee will select the winners.
c. All decisions of the judges are final.
d. Awards might not be given in each category.
e. AHA will notify all entrants by October 1st

4. Awards.
a. All entrants will receive a certificate of participation.
b. All awards will be presented at the AHA Membership Convention.
c. First place will be named in each category and awarded a certificate.
d. Club of the Year will be given a special award. The Club of the Year award will be selected from those clubs that were placed in the Top Five of a minimum of 2 of the 3 categories.
MOTION by Jan Decker:
Whereas, The widespread use of frozen semen allows deceased stallions to stand at stud and sire foals; and
Whereas, The stallions who have sufficient quantities of frozen semen available are frequently top show and
competition sires; and
Whereas, It is in the best interest of the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Program to enroll as many horses as
possible in the program; and
Whereas, SWP 106.3.b. of AHA Handbook currently reads: “Open to any living Arabian Stallion registered
with AHA, The Canadian Arabian Horse Registry or registered in a currently recognized source
registry as defined in REG 105.1. Foals must be eligible to be registered with AHA or CAHR”; and
Whereas, SWP 106.6 of the AHA Handbook currently reads: “Open to any living non-Arabian Stallion”;
Therefore, Be It
Moved, That SWP 106.3.b. be changed to read: “Open to any living Arabian Stallion (living or deceased)
registered with AHA, The Canadian Arabian Horse Registry or registered in a currently recognized
source registry as defined in REG 105.1. Foals must be eligible to be registered with AHA or CAHR”; and,
Be It Further
Moved, That SWP 106.6. of the AHA Handbook be changed to read: “Open to any living non-Arabian
Stallion (living or deceased)”.
Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #3-7/31/15-ST) (Refer to Motion #4-7/31/15-ST)

MOTION by Terry Andreasen to amend Motion #3-7/31/15-ST in both of the moved sections, after the word
“Stallion” add the following: “(living or deceased)”.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #4-7/31/15-ST)

MOTION by Jan Decker:
Whereas, The Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Program would like to expand the number of nominations to the
program from the Sport Horse community, believing that there are many nominations available from
Sport Horse Breeders if the right incentive is offered; and
Whereas, A proven model for rewarding breeders of Sport Horses exists in the Markel/USEF Young Horse
Dressage Championships; and
Whereas, The Arabian Sport Horse Nationals presents an ideal setting for offering such a competition for young
Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Dressage Horses; Therefore, Be It
Moved, That an Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes Young Horse Dressage Championship be established at Sport
Horse Nationals; and, Be It Further
Moved, That this program offer $15,000 in annual prize money from the Breeders Sweepstakes to horses who
are nominated as Breeding Entries.
Effective: January 1, 2016.
Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #5-7/31/15-ST)