

**Ohio Quarter Horse Association
Board of Directors Meeting
June 19, 2017**

Directors present: Justin Billings, Rick Cecil, Hank Clason, Matt Claypool, Chris Darnell, Candi Fites, Bill Florida, Kyle Flatter, Elizabeth Gorski, Ted Handel, Randy Jacobs, Roger Landis, Binnie Ann Masters, Dave McDonald, Brent Maxwell, Cindy Morehead, , Alan Potts, Judd Paul, Don Recchuiti, Brent Tincher, Dan Trein, Skip Salome, Rod Atherton, Clark Bradley, Vic Clark, Shawn Florida, Todd Salome, George Seanor.

Absent Directors: Kelli Diaz, Wayne Erwin, Fritz Leeman, Kristine Nagy, Chuck Smith, Shane Watson, Greg Tordoff, Randy Wilson, and Ed Dingledine.

President Chris Darnell called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Introduction of Guests

The following were introduced as guests:

Chad Piper, Katie Piper, Ron Kendal, Jessica Daniels, Jaymie Drury, Elaine Wells, Rhonda Pickersgill, Betty Florida, Cathy Martz, and Lynn Puthoff.

Minutes

Don Recchiuti made a motion to accept the April 2017 minutes. 2nd by Roger Landis. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Vic Clark reported on the year to date financial statements with a correction noted on the balance sheet. Hank Clason made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. 2nd by Alan Potts. Motion carried.

Tri-Chairmen Report

Scott Myers reported on the Tri-Chairmen meeting held earlier:

The 2016 Congress positive drug finding is still in litigation. The Congress lectures and demonstrations scheduled for the first weekend, October 7-8, 2017, have been expanded to encourage more attendees. Friends of Reining has again committed to adding \$100,000 to the Reining Futurity purse and ancillary class purses. Preferred Camping, a second tier to VIP camping, will be in the annex area east of Congress hall. The Tri-Chairmen voted to leave the Racing budget as is. Free Style Reining has a new sponsor, DAC and Randy Jacobs. OQHA entered into an agreement with Prime Social Group for the Haunted Fest and New Congress Country Concert. Scott Myers and Skip Salome met with the new State Highway Patrol Lieutenant to discuss security. We have a marketing agreement with The Horseman's Corral so that all OQHA members and Directors will receive The Horseman's Corral free subscription. Jessica Daniels saw a Congress scheduling conflict with youth age groups, and will provide that information to the office.

Rick Cecil made a motion to accept the Tri-Chairmen's report. 2nd by Randy Jacobs.
Motion carried.

OHIO COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Banquet

Scott Myers reported that Greg Tordoff has been in contact with the Hilton to move the annual banquet the Hilton, downtown Columbus.

Marketing

OQHA marketing, Lindsay Titus, reported the 50th Anniversary Book is in the final stages, and offered the opportunity to everyone to proof read it. The entry book will be available July 1. Congress ticket sales will be available June 28. The summer newsletter will come out in early July. Anyone who may be interested in the media internship, please submit applications to the OQHA office by July 14, 2017.

Trail Ride

Todd Salome reported that the trail ride was a success. Membership and participants increased. Todd thanked the sponsors OAQHA, Irongate, Big D, Harris Leather, and Schneiders. A \$1,500 donation was presented to the Foundation president, Cathy Martz on behalf of the OQHA Trail Ride.

Foundation

Cathy Martz reported the Foundation has accumulated assets of approximately \$250,000. They have given 3 new scholarships, and 14 renewals. All scholarships, new applicants and renewals, have been increased from \$750.00 to \$1,000.00. Elizabeth Gorski reminded everyone the Snowhill Golf Outing will be held July 17, 2017. Elizabeth is accepting entries from participants for the Golf Outing. All proceeds will go to benefit OQHF Scholarship fund.

Congress Cares

Cathy Martz reported that the Congress Cares will have a Drag Queen Versatility class, instead of the Mechanical Bull Riding this year.

CONGRESS STEERING COMMITTEE

Lectures and Demonstrations

Elizabeth Gorski reported on the lectures and demonstrations scheduled the first weekend, October 7-8, 2017. The Ranch Riding demonstration with Steve Meadows will be held October 8, 2017.

ASSOCIATION REPORTS

Amateurs

Justin Billings reported that the Buckeye Classic will be July 14 – July 23, 2017. Three OAQHA members have accepted committee positions with AQHA: Scott Nemeth in marketing, Cris Martin in shows, and Melissa Street-Payne in the amateur committees.

Justin reminded everyone that the Golf Outing is July 17, the Rookie Clinic is July 18, and the Donkey Races will be July 19, 2017.

Chris Darnell reminded the Pattern Committee members that there will be a meeting at the Buckeye Classic: Rick Cecil, Hank Clason, Matt Claypool, Kyle Flatter, Brent Maxwell, Judd Paul, Brent Tincher and Dan Trein.

NOQHA

Candi Fites reported that the past weekend show was successful. The next NOQHA show will be in September at Eden Park in Sunbury.

SOQHA

Matt Claypool reported that the Madness was a success. The Madness is donating a \$10,000 scholarship.

Buckeye Reining

Shawn Florida reported 950 entries at the Buckeye Reining.

New Business

Building Committee:

George Seanor asked for an increased budget of \$275,000. for the Zumstein renovation project. Judd Paul made a motion to accept, 2nd by Rod Atherton.

Youth World

Brent Maxwell reported that the executive committee recommends the following: The OQHA will pay for the stall and entry fee of the Youth World Show qualifiers, according to the 2017 guidelines.

The 2017 stipend budget of \$17,000. The \$17,000 will be divided by the number of qualifiers and the amount rounded to the nearest \$25.00. The judging team qualifiers will get \$100 less for their stipend. Hank Clason made a motion to approve the executive committee's recommendation, 2nd by Cindy Morehead.

2018 Youth World Sponsorship

Dan Trein moved that OQHA sponsor one core class for the 2018 Youth World 13 & under. This will be three-year commitment of \$5,000 each year, for a total of \$15,000. Matt Claypool made a motion to accept, 2nd by Brent Maxwell.

July Meeting

Chris Darnell asked for a motion that we do not have a July meeting. Vic Clark made a motion to accept, 2nd by Rick Cecil.

Nominating Committee

Chris Darnell took nominations from the floor, for the Nominating Committee.

- George Seanor by Binnie Ann Masters and Brent Maxwell
- Alan Potts by Binnie Ann Masters and Dave McDonald
- Cindy Morehead by Dave McDonald and Roger Landis

- Candi Fites by Rod Atherton and Brent Maxwell
- Kyle Flatter by Hank Clason and Cindy Morehead
- Matt Claypool by Brent Maxwell and Kyle Flatter
- Dave McDonald by Alan Potts and Rick Cecil

Cindy Morehead was named Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Vic Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Joanne Taylor

Recording Secretary