North Dakota Amateur Quarter Horse Association Annual Meeting Minutes January 17, 2015

The annual meeting was called to order by President Ashley Ebensteiner at 10:05 am, Saturday, January 17, 2015.

The minutes from the annual meeting on January 25, 2014 were presented to the membership to read. Doreen Swenson motioned to approve the minutes as printed. Kristy Goodall, 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

The minutes from the September 13, 2014 meeting held at Valley City were presented to the membership. Jesse Armstrong motioned to approve the minutes as printed. Lacey Armstrong 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

The treasure report was given by Sherri Matuska. The Pre-Fair show had a profit of \$5974.00. The Wadena show had a profit of \$12,000.00. The balance in the amateur fund is \$21,249.25. Jesse Armstrong motioned to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Todd Iszler, 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business:

The pre-fair show will be managed by Scott Flach and the secretary will be Therese Morlan. The show will be July 15, 16, 17, 18, starting with trail at 5:00pm on Wednesday evening. Check in will be allowed on Tuesday for the show. Doreen Swenson motioned to hire Matt Amsden to help with the arena. Jesse Armstrong, seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Scott Flach reported that the order of events was being reorganized to make the flow of the show go better. Reining contestant has requested green reining and open reining. There will be no novice halter classes.

Wadena Run:

Motion was made by Lacey Armstrong to hire Carla Blaha as show secretary and Gloria Enger as show manager. Motion seconded by Jena Martin. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Kelly Haugen to have the fees for the Wadena run be \$60.00/judge/horse/all divisions. Motion was seconded by Jesse Armstrong. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Sherri Matuska to see if AQHA will approve three judges over 3 days of show as a split combined show. Sue Karn seconded the motion. Motion passed.

It was decided that the amateurs will once again bring bars and lemonade as an appreciation to the exhibitors.

New Business:

The letter of intent and the rules for the state qualifying for the Novice Championship shows was available for members. The letter of intent needs to be turned in by the May show in Valley City.

Fundraising:

At the Valley City, May show the amateur's will have a basket auction.

At the Wadena run the amateur's will have a trainer/horsemanship fundraiser. The trainer would have to pay to get out of doing it. People would be able to nominate trainers for a fee. Details will be worked out at the next meeting.

At the September Futurity show, Sharon Whitmer and Sue Karn will do the freestyle horsemanship and reining again this year. More details will follow as they work out the time and get the rules in place.

Election of Officers:

President: Ashley Ebensteiner Vice-President: Lacey Armstrong Secretary: Alvina Ebensteiner 2 year Director: Kelly Haugen

Region 2 report:

Todd Iszler reported on the Region 2 Experience to be held in Rapid City, South Dakota on September 17-20. It is the 10 year anniversary this year. Todd asked if the amateur's would again be a \$750.00 sponsor for the show. Motion was made by Kristy Goodall to make the donation. Sharon Whitmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was discussion on approving the Region 2 show for state points. This will be researched to see if this is possible.

Mary Youngs motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second by Kristy Goodall. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Alvina Ebensteiner, Secretary