

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
January 12, 2009 – Juane's Mexican Restaurant
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Don Gruntmeier, Royce Crosby, M. Wade Smith, Holly Brawner, Charlie Hall, Martin Halterman, Valerie Benton, Virginia Chappell, Earl Brady, Clarice Nicola, Debby Letham, Jana Gray, Joe Lankford.

Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m.

Review minutes from December meeting. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Review December Treasurer's Report. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Review Show Schedule. Begin much discussion on revising/changing schedule to accommodate 2 day format. Discuss many possibilities for most efficient class placement, tack changes, etc. After careful consideration, determine show schedule will be as follows:

Saturday - Start Time 7 a.m.

Cattle Classes 16-38
Reining Classes 39-42
Games Classes (Poles, Fig. 8) 166-175
Saddle Seat Classes 1-5
Heritage & Ladies Side Saddle Classes 6-8
Hunter In Hand, English Showmanship Classes 109-118
Pleasure Driving Classes 81-82
English Division Flat Classes 119-138
English Over Fences 94-108

Sunday – Start Time 7 a.m.

Halter Classes 43-69
Longe Line Classes 78-79
Western Showmanship Classes 70-77
Leadline Class 80
Trail Classes 9-15
Western Division Flat Classes 139-165
Games Classes (Stumps, Keyhole) 83 – 92

Motion to approve revised show schedule so moved and approved.

Committee Reports;

Promo & PR – Rhonda N., and Debby L. will serve.

Awards – Holly Brawner & Virginia Chappell will serve.

Newsletter – Valerie Benton. Confirm newsletter will no longer be paper/mailed. It will be posted on website.

By-Laws – Clarice Nicola will serve.

Futurities – Debby Letham, Royce Crosby will serve this as well as Stallion Service.

Youth – Ron Herman.

Membership – Charlie Hall.

Judges – Charlie Hall.

Cattle – Charlie Hall.

Games – Debby Letham.

Old Business:

Our web page will be updated and begin discussion regarding our need to make our website more “user” friendly and much more informative as well as making it a tool for advertising. Discuss pricing for advertising as in the newsletter and how it relates to being put on the website. Determine we need to change our Web Domain so as to manage it ourselves. Motion to form a Website committee so moved and approved. Joe Lankford volunteered to serve as our web manager.

New Business:

Debby Letham mentioned the possibility of selling banners/ad’s etc. for displaying at shows. Discuss the responsibility of carrying banners back and forth to shows, displaying them appropriately etc. Discuss ways to raise funds, i.e. selling advertising in the directory.

Much discussion on pricing advertising for the Newsletter, Directory, etc.

Determine all ad’s would cost the same:

¼ Page ad \$50.00

½ Page ad \$100.00

Full Page ad \$150.00

Motion to approve a 1 year ad (January – December/Calendar Year) at the above referenced sizes and prices either in the Directory or on the Website so moved and approved.

Discuss Miscellaneous Classified Ad’s being placed on our Website. Determine we could accept monthly ad’s at \$10.00 for 50 words.

Motion to sell Classified Ad’s on the Website at \$10.00 per month for 50 words, with a deadline to the Web Manager of the 15th of the previous month, so moved and approved.

Continue discussion on our needs to not only carefully budget our income/expenses for next year but to also find ways to raise funds, membership, etc. through sponsorships, show fees, memberships, advertising etc.

Motion to adjourn so moved and approved.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
April 20, 2009 – Fire Mountain Restaurant, OKC
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rhonda Neuenschwander, Virginia Chappell, Sue Zimmerman, Holly Brawner, Joseph Lankford, Martin Halterman, Earl Brady, Royce Crosby, Charlie Hall, Jana Gray.

Guests Present: Erica Halterman, Valerie Halterman.

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.

No minutes from last meeting, will present at next meeting.

Review Treasurer's Report for March, 2009. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Committee Reports:

Promo & Public Relations – Judges appreciate their goody bags!

By-Laws – No Report.

Futurities – No Report.

Youth – Egg Hunt at April show was a huge success, over 600 eggs. If any of our youth are going to World, we need to put a team together.

Membership – 18 Lifetime, 11 Youth Lifetime, 26 Youth, 70 Individual – 125 Total.

Judges – The National Show has requested Chet Bennett to judge, so for our May Show Doug LeSoto will replace him.

Website – No Report.

Games – No Report.

Awards – Have the awards for May Show. With the elimination of Show Bucks, vendors are welcome to come and go, and not required to be present for the entire show.

Old Business: At the March Meeting, the board elected to cross-point a Kansas Show. Much discussion about the implication this has on our club members who will now not be able to meet our club's show requirements for show attendance as it applies to year end awards. Further discussion on the pro's and con's of rescinding that decision, etc. Motion by Joe Lankford to retract the cross-pointing with Kansas Club, 2nd by Virginia Chappell, so moved and approved with 1 nay vote.

Show Schedule- Discuss English Show Schedule and moving Pleasure Driving in between Hunter in Hand and English Showmanship to accommodate tack/clothing changes in a more timely manner. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

State Fair Arena – Discuss the benefits of being back at the OKC Fairgrounds for showing. Arena conditions will be improved for our next show.

Memberships & Sponsorships – Discuss our need to seek new ways to encourage participation with our club that may not necessarily be “breed”, but may lead to Appaloosa breed involvement. Also discuss ways to encourage sponsorships from members, the community etc. The board continues to seek ways to grow our membership and will continue to search for new opportunities that encourage getting involved with our club.

Motion to adjourn so moved and approved.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
May 18, 2009 – Ryan's Restaurant, OKC
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rhonda Neuenschwander, Virginia Chappell, Sue Zimmerman, Holly Brawner, Earl Brady, Royce Crosby, Charlie Hall, Jana Gray, Clarice Nicola, Don Gruntmeir, Debby Letham, Ron Herman.

Meeting called to order at 7:18 p.m.

Review minutes from April, correction to guest Valerie Halterman's name. Motion to approve minutes as corrected so moved and approved.

Review Treasurer's Report – Discuss balance in account. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Committee Reports:
Promo/PR – No report.

By-Laws – Sect. 4: Clarify language to state you must show in each class more than 50% of the time it is offered in order to qualify for year-end awards.

Sect. 11: Grammatically correct this by-law re: posting of minutes & meeting requirements.

Futurities: Need to publish on the website, need an entry form to download. At state fair futurity classes will be held for Sooner Club, so be certain members are aware they are entering the correct classes.

Youth: World Show Youth going need to notify Leslie Herman.

Membership: No Change.

Judges: No Change.

Cattle: Will be present at May show.

Newsletter/Website: Looks great, thank you to Joe Lankford.

Games: Debby Letham reports we have new barrels.

Awards: Being prepared for May show.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business:

The Yukon Event Center is offering a 30% discount to book for our banquet by June 15. Debby Letham will book if possible, 2nd weekend in January on the 9th.

Begin discussion of calendaring 2010 Shows – Ron will check with Ardmore for March. Discuss the favor of the Oklahoma City Fairgrounds arena's for Spring Shows April & May. Discuss Ardmore location for October. Charlie & Ron will work on schedule availabilities and report next month.

Discuss volunteer incentives, etc. and promoting our club to younger youth members.

Meeting adjourned.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
August 17, 2009 – Ryan’s Restaurant, OKC
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rhonda Neuenschwander, Virginia Chappell, Sue Zimmerman, Holly Brawner, Earl Brady, Royce Crosby, Charlie Hall, Jana Gray, Don Gruntmeir, Debby Letham, Ron Herman, Joe Lankford, Martin Halterman, Wade Smith.

Guests Present: Valerie Halterman, Erica Halterman.

Meeting called to order at 7:14 p.m.

Review minutes from May, correction to line in the minutes regarding By-Laws, Section 4 to read “more than 50% of the time” as stated in our rules. Motion to approve minutes as corrected so moved and approved.

Review May, June & July Treasurer’s Reports. Clarify Insurance Premium is for 1 year. Review profitability of shows to date. Motion to approve 3 months Treas. Reports so moved and approved.

Committee Reports:

Promo & PR – Website looks great which benefits our club. Thank you Joe Lankford.

By-Laws – No Report.

Futurities – Reminder to understand that Sooner Club classes will also be held at the State Fair, be certain you are aware of the class you are entered in.

Youth – Will hold a silent auction at the October show. They are looking for ideas for fundraisers. Looking to do a swim party soon. Remind members to start gathering photo’s for the scrapbook. Charlie Hall states he is collecting cell phones, youth still gather those for soldiers. Our club was well represented in the Youth Team Tournament held at the Reichert Celebration in Tulsa in August.

Membership – Our club currently has 18 Lifetime; 11 Youth Lifetime; 30 Youth; 80 Individual members for a total of 139 memberships.

Judges- Be thinking of Judge Recommendations for 2010 shows.

Newsletter/Website – Excellent, thanks again to Joe Lankford.

Awards – We welcome suggestions for awards.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Request to move our show start time back to 8 A.M. since our new scheduling is not running the day over too long. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Debby Letham expressed appreciation to all the board for working diligently to curb expenses and keep our show fees/expenses to a minimum. She stated many shows across the nation are much costlier than ours.

Show Dates 2010:

March 6 & 7 – Ardmore. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

April 10 & 11 and

May 29 & 30 – OKC Fairgrounds, Barn 8. Discuss need for make-up arena at the OKC shows. Motion to approve April & May dates contingent on getting a make up arena so moved and approved.

Pres. Charlie Hall has been informed that for the safety & security of exhibitors, etc. at the OKC FairGrounds, entrance to the Fairgrounds will be from May Avenue or Reno Avenue ONLY.

Oct. 16 & 17 – Ardmore if available. Motion to pursue using the Ardmore arena if available so moved and approved.

Thanks to Sue Zimmerman for securing Ruby's in Purcell for our October 2009 Show as the Host Hotel, with 2 free rooms for Judges.

Discuss how to secure more class sponsorships as a way of raising funds. Determine class sponsorship costs \$100 and gets sponsors name announced at shows and advertised as such on the website.

Charlie Hall emphasized the need to seek sponsorship for year end awards.

Discuss the Year End Banquet, we have reserved a spot at the Yukon Event Center. Earl & Wade will check this out. It allows us to use our caterer or theirs. Will confirm at next month's meeting.

Motion to adjourn so moved and approved.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
September 14, 2009 – Ryan’s Restaurant, OKC
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Charlie Hall, Jana Gray, Clarice Nicola, Debby Letham, Virginia Chappell, Rhonda Neunschwander, Wade Smith, Joe Lankford, Don Gruntmeier, Earl Brady, Martin Halterman, Holly Brawner.

Guests Present: Kim Hall, Erica Halterman, JD Hall.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Review minutes from August. Motion to approve minutes so moved and approved.

Review August Treasurer’s Report. Motion to approve so moved and approved.

Committee Reports:

Youth – Thank You to the Brawner’s for hosting our Swim Party. Youth would like to do Costume Class at the October Purcell Show, they will also do a silent auction at that show. Sunday of the Oct. Purcell show the youth will do a Pancake Breakfast as a fundraiser.

Promo & PR- Rhonda will send a written Thank You to the State Fair for specifically mentioning Appaloosa’s in their commercial and advertising this year.

By-Laws – No Report.

Futurities/Stallion Service Auction – No report.

Membership – Total Membership = 142.

Judges – No Report.

Cattle – No Report.

Newsletter – It is available on the website, and looking great.

Games – We’re still gaming!

Awards – Have been ordered for Oct. Show. Rhonda N. has secured two (2) \$100.00 Sponsorships for year-end awards. Remind everyone to be seeking and securing sponsorships.

Old Business: Need volunteers at the State Fair.

2010 Show Dates: April 10 & 11, a warm up area will be available. We are still working on arrangement for a warm up area for the May show. Still awaiting confirmation on the availability of Ardmore for Oct. 16 & 17, 2010.

We are confirming the use of the Yukon Event Center for our Yearly Banquet/Awards Ceremony.

New Business: Costume Class at Oct. Show will be placed on schedule by horse show staff and be posted on website as soon as it is determined.

Showtime Show Clothing would like to set up in Purcell during our October show.

State Fair Entries- At present we have 40 horses registered.

Motion to adjourn so moved & approved.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club – Board of Directors Meeting – October 12, 2009

The monthly meeting of the Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club Board of Directors was held on October 12, 2009 at the Ryan's Grill & Buffet, OKC, OK. President Charlie Hall called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

The Officers & Directors present were as follows: Charlie Hall, Wade Smith, Royce Crosby, Earl Brady, Holly Brawner, Virginia Chappell, Debbie Letham, Don Gruntmeier, Ron Herman, Sue Zimmerman, Martin Halterman, Clarice Nicola. Directors absent were Rhonda Neuenschwander, Valerie Benton and Joe Lankford. Guests present were Kim Hall, JC Hall and Colton Smith.

The minutes from the September meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as made by Debbie Letham, Seconded by Clarice Nicola, Motions passed.

The treasurer's report from September was presented by Holly Brawner. Motion to accept was made by Wade Smith and seconded by Debbie Letham. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Promotion: No report

By-Laws: No report

Futurities: No report.

Youth: Ron Herman reported that the youth will have a costume class and silent auction at the October show, donations welcome. They are still collecting pull tabs and old cell phones.

Membership: No change

Judges: No Report

Cattle: Booked for the October show, a lot of entries have called in

Website: No Report

Games: No Report

Awards: Ready for the October show

OLD BUSINESS:

Year End Banquet – Motion made by Debbie Letham, seconded by Wade Smith to hold the year end banquet and membership meeting at the Clarion Hotel, Oklahoma City, on January 9.

World Warm Up, Purcell, OK – Charlie reported that the FFA group would be selling and delivering shavings, the Expo will collect money for RV parking and layover stalls.

NEW BUSINESS:

We have had a request from a photographer to take pictures at the World Warm up show. It was agreed that as long as she obtained permission from whom ever she was photographing it would be OK.

Charlie asked the Board to be thinking about ideas to help the Regional ApHC Clubs, what we saw as our biggest problems. He will report these thoughts to the Regional Club Advisory Committee that he is a part of.

Motion to adjourn made by Wade Smith & seconded by Clarice Nicola and Earl Brady, Motion passed.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club – Board of Directors Meeting – April 19, 2010

The monthly meeting of the Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club Board of Directors was held on April 19, 2010 at the Biltmore Hotel, OKC, OK. Vice President Wade Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

The Officers & Directors present were as follows: Don Gruntmier, Holly Brawner, Jaclynn Grey, Virginia Chappell, Earl Brady, Debby Letham, Wade Smith, Sid Head, Clarice Nicola, Martin Halterman, Rhonda Neuenschwander

Reviewed minutes from March 29, 2010 meeting. Motion to approve minutes was made by Debby Letham and seconded by Virginia Chappell. The motion was approved.

Reviewed Treasurer's Report of March, 2010. Motion to approve was made by Debby Letham and seconded by Earl Brady. Motion was approved.

Committee Reports –

Promo/PR – National pointing of special and open shows was discussed. Debby and Rhonda will look into this with the National office.

By-Laws – No Report.

Futurities/Stallion Service – No Report

Youth – Tee shirts are being worked on and hope to be passed out at the May show.

Membership – 18 Lifetime, 11 Youth Lifetime, 30 Youth, 72 Individual = 131 Total memberships.

Judges – There are no additional changes for the May judges.

Cattle – No Report

Wed Site – No Report

Games – No Report

Awards – Virginia Chappell is taking care of May awards

Old Business:

Saddle Series Entries: 5 open, 8 non-pro, 10 youth

New Business:

A motion was made by Holly Brawner and Seconded by Jaclynn Gray that starting time for Sunday of the shows will be moved to 7:30am The motion passed.

Jaclynn Gray volunteered to beautify out trail course for the shows

Motion to adjourn was made by Sid Head and seconded by Virginia Chappell. The motion was approved.

Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club – Board of Directors Meeting – May 17, 2010

The monthly meeting of the Oklahoma Appaloosa Horse Club Board of Directors was held on May 17, 2010 at the Biltmore Hotel, OKC, OK. President Charlie Hall called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

The Officers & Directors present were as follows: Don Gruntmier, Holly Brawner, Virginia Chappell, Earl Brady, Debby Letham, Sid Head, Clarice Nicola, Ron Herman, Rhonda Neuenschwander, Charlie Hall

Reviewed minutes from April 19, 2010 meeting. Motion to approve minutes was made by Debby Letham and seconded by Holly Brawner. The motion was approved.

Reviewed Treasurer's Report for April, 2010. Motion to approve was made by Debby Letham and seconded by Virginia Chappell. Motion was approved. Holly Brawner pointed out that the report did not reflect arena fees, lodging and liability insurance. The true balance at this time is \$6,503.20

Committee Reports –

Promo/PR – No Report

By-Laws – An updated version of the By-laws has been posted on our web site.

Futurities/Stallion Service – No Report

Youth – Tee shirts are ready and will be passed out at the May show. Ideas are being gone over for the May show including ice chest drinks for donations to the youth or a possible pancake breakfast

Membership – 18 Lifetime, 11 Youth Lifetime, 30 Youth, 73 Individual = 132 Total memberships.

Judges – Judges for the May show have all confirmed.

Cattle – The May show will have 12 roping entries, 12 cutters and 4 stock horses

Wed Site – No Report

Games – No Report

Awards – Virginia Chappell has taken care of May awards

Old Business:

There was a discussion of \$250 sponsorship for 6 youth to join with Texas groups for Nationals. It was decided the club would not be able to do this because of concerns for upcoming bills especially for saddle series and year end awards.

New Business:

Charlie Hall gave a tribute to our board member Royce Crosby. It was suggest that the High Point Halter Award that Royce always gave now be named the Royce Crosby Award.

The board discussed replacing the two vacant board positions. Clarice Nicola moved that the discussion be tabled to a later meeting. The motion was seconded by Holly Brawner. The motion passed

Possible show dates for the 2011 year were gone over. A motion was made by Clarice Nicola and seconded by Earl Brady that Charlie, Holly and Debby be appointed to use their best judgement to set these dates with the OKC fairgrounds and with Ardmore.

Charlie is in discussions with the OKC fairgrounds in regard to their request that we have an EMT on duty during the shows.

New Business: continued

Pros and Cons were discussed in regard to using barn 6 and 6A instead of 8 and warm-up 7 for the coming year.

The show schedule for the 2011 season was discussed. A motion was made by Ron Herman and seconded by Sid Head that the working cow junior and senior classes be combined for 2011. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Sid Head and seconded by Holly Brawner that the hunter hack junior and senior classes be combined. The motion passed. A motion was made by Debby Letham and seconded by Sid Head that pre green hunter and preliminary jumper (3') classes be eliminated. The motion passed. A motion was made by Sid Head to combine the junior and senior western riding classes. The motion died for lack of a second. A motion was made by Holly Brawner and seconded by Clarice Nicola to keep the junior and senior western riding classes separate. The motion passed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sid Head and seconded by Holly Brawner. The motion was approved.