

NFHR BoD Meeting December 16, 2016 Minutes

Convened 6:00 P.M. M.S.T.(Members present: Teresa Kandianis, Gretchen Payne, Beth German, Jeff Pedersen, Bob Long, Bill Coli, Margie Diaz, Kay Konove, new member Andrea Eppley. Also present Executive Director Nancy Newport and Registrar Jeanne Poirier. Absent: Ardeth Obenauf.

Minutes of the May 6, 2013 meeting were approved following a motion by Bob and second by Gretchen. The following motions made and approved via email since the May 6th meeting were ratified after motion made by Beth and second by Bob: On May 22, Ardeth moved and Kay seconded that the February 4th minutes be approved, motion passed. On June 27 Bob moved and Margie seconded a motion to approve the Herndon Evaluation budget, motion passed. On July 1, Bob moved and Gretchen seconded that the Family Fjord Riding and Driving tests be approved, motion passed. On July 24 Ardeth moved and Kay seconded : “When the NFHR receives notice of an opportunity for breeders to advertise in a major publication, an email to that effect will be sent to stallion owners and those listed in the Farm Directory, along with a copy to the publication to let them know we are responding to them.”, motion passed. On July 31 Gretchen moved and Ardeth seconded that the BOD approve the Libby Evaluation, motion passed. On August 11, Beth German moved and Teresa seconded that the Herndon Evaluation profit be allocated to the Libby Evaluation expenses, motion passed. On August 17 Bob moved and Beth seconded that the Face-to-Face minutes be approved, motion passed. On August 19, Ardeth moved and Margie seconded that the NFHR fronts the application fees for the Rose Parade group which will be reimbursed in full by either the participants or donations, motion passed. On September 26, Ardeth moved and Gretchen seconded that we approve Beth Beymer and Brian Jensen as senior evaluators which was recommended by the Evaluation committee. On October 29 Bob moved and Ardeth seconded that we appoint Andrea Eppley to the Board of Directors, motion passed.

President’s Report: Teresa reported on the preparations for the Rose Parade and again thanked the PNFPG for its generous donation to support the parade. Many, many people have been working really hard to make the parade a success. Teresa thanked Jeff for his six years of service on the BoD, noting in particular his contributions toward creating the marketplace and improving the website. She asked Jeff to let us know of any recommendations he had for the future. Jeff said it has been an amazing six years on the Board, including some really tough times but the Board was able to pull the registry out of financial disrepair. He hopes the BoD will stay focused on keeping the finances in order and thinks the parade will be a huge success. Teresa welcomed Andrea Eppley to the Board and thanked her for agreeing to fill the position Cynthia Madden had intended but was unable to serve. Andrea and her husband operate Silver Drache Farm in Westfield, Indiana. Finally, Teresa mentioned the Disney movie “Frozen” and its potential for promoting the fjord horse.

Executive Director Report: Nancy mentioned that all regional clubs have made donations for the parade, which is extraordinary given that the regional clubs are all separate organizations.

Registrar’s Report: Jeanne mentioned that she has received calls from members all over, including some in Nova Scotia, expressing their appreciation for the parade participation and

related huge promotional opportunity. The 2013 totals to date for registrations, transfers and membership are down slightly from 2012, as indicated by the numbers reported below. These do not include approximately six registrations and some transfers that came in today's mail. Memberships received after today will be credited for 2014. 2013 registration fees will apply to those paid by credit card and faxed through December 31, 2013 or sent by mail postmarked by December 31, 2013.

2012 2013

Registrations	144	138
Transfers	285	260
Membership	811	791

Treasurer's Report: Nancy reported current bank balances: checking \$14,196.51; money market \$10,002.28; BOA CD \$15,704.60. These include donations for and funds earmarked for the parade.

Old Business:

Massachusetts F2F and Forum: Bill Coli and Kay Konove gave a report on the plans for the Face to Face meeting and the Educational Forum, including an additional presentation by two East Coast therapeutic riding and driving programs. Updated information regarding the Forum will be posted on the NFHR website. A constant contact message encouraging registration will be sent to members. Teressa commended Kay and Bill on the fantastic program they have put together.

Rose Parade: The NFHR will have a vendor's booth at the Rose Parade. (Thank you, Margie.)

We will sell Marketplace items and memberships. The CFHA has prepared a DVD on what to expect at an evaluation and has agreed to allow the NFHR to show it at the parade. The DVD includes some materials from the NFHR.

New Business:

Midwest Evaluation: Beth made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee to approve the Midwest Club's application for an evaluation in Lacrosse, Wisconsin on July 9th and 10th. Gretchen seconded the motion. Bob said that the Midwest Club plans to hold a show on July 11-13th immediately following the evaluation. Jeanne and Nancy mentioned that both evaluations held in 2013 broke even or made money and that they would work to be sure that the Midwest evaluation at least broke even. Bob welcomed Andrea to the BoD, saying she would be put to work at the evaluation. Andrea accepted the challenge! Bob reported that the club will have its winter meeting in April and that Phil Odden will provide a pre-clinic presentation.

Meeting Adjourned by acclamation at 7:10