



AMERICAN SADDLEBRED REGISTRY, INC.

**Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. ET
American Saddlebred Museum Library,
Lexington, Kentucky & by tele-conference**

MINUTES

Directors Present: Susan Aschenbrenner, Brian Curran, Sandra Currier, Elisabeth Goth, Gail Kline, Emily Lee, Scott Matton, Margaret McNeese, Karen Richardson, Matt Shiflet, Jenny Taylor, Owen Weaver and Judy Werner.

Others Present: Lisa Duncan, Registrar and Katriona Adams, Assistant Registrar.

- I. Roll Call/Establish Quorum/Consider Agenda/Adopt Sturgis Rules of Order**
Mr. Curran, ASR President, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. ET and asked Ms. Duncan to call the roll. A quorum was present. Ms. Aschenbrenner made a motion to adopt the agenda, Ms. Goth seconded and the motion was passed with all in favor. Ms. Goth made a motion to adopt Sturgis Rules of Order, Ms. Werner seconded and a question was raised as to why we use Sturgis Rules and not Roberts Rules of Order. It was noted that both rules are very similar. After discussion, the motion was approved with all in favor.
- II. Vision Statements**
Mr. Curran asked if everyone had received the Vision Statements for him and for Ms. Kline. All affirmed that they had. He asked if there were any questions and none were raised.
- III. Election of ASR President**
Election of ASR President was tabled at the March 9, 2017 meeting after a tie vote between Mr. Curran and Ms. Kline. Mr. Curran asked for a motion and second on the process for casting votes. Ms. Werner made a motion to cast votes by text, Ms. Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was considered by roll call vote and was approved with all in favor. Accordingly, Directors were asked to text their vote after which staff tabulated the results. Mr. Curran was elected as ASR President by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

IV. Consideration of Draft Minutes of March 9, 2017 ASR Board Meeting

Mr. Curran asked if there were any questions or changes to the draft minutes of the March 9, 2017 ASR Board of Directors meeting. Under V. Management Agreement Update, Ms. Kline questioned if the Registry Board had the right to ask for Mr. Whitley's employment letter. Dr. McNeese responded that this is important since the Registry pays a portion of his salary. It was noted that, in the past, the Executive Director did not receive commissions. Ms. Kline asked that the Finance Committee and relevant parties look into this.

Ms. Aschenbrenner noted that she could provide some clarification on the fees relating to Hanna Resources. She had received some questions after the annual meeting at the convention and called Hanna Resources. She also spoke with Allison Pettrey about the consulting fees paid. Both confirmed that we did not save money on recruitment fees since we choose the option of paying a monthly fee with no additional recruitment fees being charged. Ms. Kline asked for a copy of the documentation and Mr. Curran agreed to get more information to the Board. He suggested that approval of the minutes be tabled until the next meeting. Ms. Kline made a motion to table the draft minutes of the March 9, 2017 ASR Board meeting, Ms. Goth seconded and the motion was approved with all in favor.

V. Other Business

Ms. Currier asked if there was any progress on the Memorandum of Understanding. Mr. Curran replied that he is waiting to get a copy of the Management Agreement and that last he heard, ASHA was making some revisions. Ms. Werner noted that we have a fiduciary responsibility to have the agreement reviewed on behalf of the Registry. All agreed. A discussion took place regarding the Memorandum of Understanding and the database. It was noted that Registry records must be protected and kept confidential. Mr. Curran noted that the next Board meeting will be scheduled once we have updates or more information.

Ms. Aschenbrenner reported that we were able to renegotiate our contract with our current credit card company and they have lowered some of their fees.

VI. Adjournment

With no further business to address, Mr. Matton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dr. McNeese seconded and the meeting was duly adjourned at 3:35 p.m. ET.

Submitted by: *Katriona Adams*
Assistant Registrar