



November 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order by Phillip Williamson 7:36pm

In attendance: Phillip Williamson, Robin Wood, Diane Hinch, Anne Lesko, Sarah Vagnoni, Jamison Strasser, Heather Weaver, Robin Mellen, Anne Johnston, and Luanne Leonard

October Minutes reviewed and typos corrected. Motion to approve by Robin Wood and seconded by Anne Lesko, motion carried.

Treasurer's report presented by Heather Weaver. Reported there is \$4,406.99 in checking and \$500.56 in savings. Motion to approve by Anne Lesko, seconded by Robin Wood and carried.

Old Business

Committee reports

Education-Anne L (chair), Luanne, Robin M, Sarah V nothing to report as stated by Anne Lesko

Junior – Luanne (chair), Diane, Robin Wood nothing to report at this time, RW

Sponsorship – Sarah V (chair), Jamison, Heather nothing to report SV

Review – Gordon (chair), Anne L., Jamison, Robin M AL nothing to report now

Membership discussion (Robin Wood)

After some discussion regarding riders needing to be members for points to count which would now mean all three, owner, rider and horse need to be members for points to count, a motion was made to add rider. Anne L made the motion with a second by Jamison S. Motion carried. This change will be brought to the attention of the membership at the Annual Meeting. In addition, the change in membership dues will also be covered. Phillip W will develop a letter and include other information on rule changes. Anne J said she would get it started for Phillip and pass along to all. PW was very agreeable to that suggestion.

2024 Calendar

2024 SWVHJA calendar was shared with the group. Our 2024 annual show is still not totally confirmed due to Horse Center issues. Discussion as to finances with regard to hosting the banquet this year on December 16th. It was decided that SWVHJA is not in a financial position to undertake this event at this time. Instead, we will host a benefit Winter Horse show at the Horse Center on January 27th to raise money for the organization and recognize this year's

winner with a possible buffet and other fanfare. Board members agreed to volunteer their time and talents for the show.

Discussion followed concerning the priority order for paying our bills. It was recommended we reach out to folks to ask they renew membership earlier this year by December 1st if possible.

A zoom meeting will be set up for November 28th for current membership and show managers. The state of the association as well as rule changes and other business will be discussed. Anne will get together with Gordon to prepare for the meeting regarding review changes.

New Business

Banquet

As stated previously, will not be held in 2023.

2023 Awards

Review costs of awards.

Annual Meeting

December 16th via Zoom

Almost all positive comments on this year's Annual Show.

2023 Yearbook

\$5000 VHIB grant in process. Quotes from 2 Salem Printers. Grant only covering paper/color. We need to let members know how the yearbook is being paid for this year.

McNeil/Burkholder/HOF decisions (postponed until next meeting).

Next board meeting TBD via Zoom

Motion to adjourn made by Robin W, seconded by Anne L and carried 9:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Diane H. Hinch