## SWVHJA Board Minutes December 14, 2021 7PM Zoom

## Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 called to order by President, Cricket Stone Morris.

## Present:

Those board members present were Cricket Stone Morris, Sherri West, Anne Lesko, Executive Secretary Anne Johnston, John Martin, Emily Guyer, and Holly Keplinger.

## **November Minutes:**

Minutes from the November board meeting were reviewed. Luanne Leonard made motion to approve the minutes. Anne Lesko seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

## Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer's report reflected a balance of \$18,944.16 in the checking and \$21,797.78 in the savings. Anne Lesko made a motion to approve the report. Holly Keplinger seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

# **Old Business:**

- Rule Revisions for 2022 Show Year: Show managers have been notified of the changes approved for the upcoming season. Executive Secretary Anne Johnson will post these changes to the Association's website. Additionally, Ms. Johnson will draft an email communication to the membership for review.
- **Green Reinstatement:** Registered horse 'Confetti' meets eligibility for reinstatement of the new year. Executive Secretary Anne Johnson will communicate with the member to advise of the decision.
- Website Launch: The Associations updated website will be launched in the coming weeks. We will be using Stripe as Square did not integrate with the platform.

#### **New Business:**

- Awards Distribution 1.15.2021: Awards will be available for pick up in the office at the East Complex from 10 2. The membership will receive an email to advise of the pickup time.
- New Thoroughbred Division and Eligibility: To ensure eligibility has been reported, when a horse is registered with the Association, a breed certification section will be included and completed by the registrant.
- Show Managers Meeting: The Show Managers meeting will be held on 1/8 in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. Topics for review may include new division specifications, length of show day, efficient management of the show day, accuracy of class entries on official show records when submitted to Association, classic definitions, 2-minute gate rule. All show managers will be encouraged to attend and engage in productive dialogue.

- Annual Meeting Agenda: The agenda for the Annual Meeting was discussed, with topics including division specification review, sportsmanship, constructive communication, review of the Association's mission, challenges the pandemic has presented, and the updated website.
- **Board Nominees:** The Board reviewed terms for those currently serving. An email will be sent to the membership soliciting nominations for new Board members.
- Scholarships: The Association is able to increase the amount of the scholarships from 4 \$250 scholarships to 4\$500 scholarships. Submissions will need to be delivered by January 1. A review committee of Sherri West, Anne Lesko, Holly Keplinger, and Luanne Leonard will review the submissions and recommend recipients.

The next meeting is the Association's Annual Meeting, held on 1.8.2022 via Zoom

Holly Keplinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All approved by exiting the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

-Submitted: Anne Justis Lesko