

REGION 10 DELEGATES MEETING

November 3, 2002

Holiday Inn, Eau Claire, WI

Delegates and guests present included WAHA Delegates Dean Meier, Treasurer; Nancy Miller, Juli Goder-Larson, Bev Cole, Gay Jeanne Bower, John Morici, Joan Rose; MHAHA Delegates Tom Anthony, Rachael Jurek, and Jodi Dovel; IAHS Delegate Marla Koob and Alternate Connie Curtis; Past Director Lollie Ames; MAHA Delegates Pat Forehand, Ann Benson, Anita Grant, Laura Mickelsen, Larry Hoffman and Jill Frieders, Treasurer; Sahara Sands Delegate Kari Augustine and Alternate Kitty Omitt; WDHA Delegates Amy Thalacker, Rita Lemke, Jackie Johnson, and Kristin Urban, Secretary; Spirit Horse Delegate Jesse Henschel; NMAHA Delegates Sonya Olson and Roz Gilbert; Region 10 Director Van Jacobsen; and Guests Jessica Cole (WAHA) and Forrest Nutter (WDHA/MAHA).

A Region 10 Championship Show Committee meeting preceded the Delegates meeting. Fifteen people at that meeting voted to have a one-day pre-show. Nancy Miller will be Show Manager for the 2003 show.

Reduced numbers of horses at the 2002 show (459 in 2002 compared to 553 in 2001) and additional costs incurred by the portable stall contract, addition of garlands for Champion and Reserve Champion placings, the addition of an extra show day, and the IAHA BOD mandate that Top Five placings be distributed regardless of numbers of entries in a class all contributed to a much reduced show profit (\$53,794.58 in 2001; \$11,135.43 in 2002). There was a \$3000 ribbon/trophy bill deducted from the 2002 show profit that should have been invoiced to the 2001 show; which would make the 2002 show profit \$14,000; but still substantially less than the customary \$30,000 profit the show has shown in the past several years.

Some recommendations for cutting costs at the 2003 show included employing an announcer who can also supply the music.

Increasing income to the show included stronger solicitation of garland sponsors.

It was recommended to keep the paybacks as they now stand. Director Jacobsen recommended that the Show Committee make whatever decisions they deemed appropriate to increase the show profitability.

Director Jacobsen also recommended the formation of a Judges Selection Committee which would need to be present at the show to deal with show infractions, etc.

Other than the vote to include a pre-show, no other formal action was taken.

At an Executive Committee meeting at the WAHA General Meeting in Columbus, WI, on November 10, Youth Director Joan Rose petitioned for approval to have the Region 10 Youth assume responsibility for seeking garland sponsors for the 2003 Championship Show in return for \$10 for each sponsorship, the returned fee to support the Region 10 Youth travel costs to attend the IAHYA Convention in 2003. Executive Members Van Jacobsen, Dean Meier, and Kristin Urban were present and approved the request.

The Regular Region 10 Meeting was called to order at 12:20.

MINUTES: Gay Jeanne Bower moved, Dean Meier seconded approval of the Minutes of the January 27, 2002 Meeting as amended. Motion approved. Gay Jeanne moved, Ann Benson seconded approval of the June 15, 2002, Minutes as printed and mailed. Motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Laura Mickelson moved, Sonya Olson seconded a motion to reimburse Kitty Omitt \$175 for a Delegate's packet expense. Motion approved. Larry Hoffman moved, Gay Jeanne Bower seconded approval of the Treasurer's Report as printed and distributed. Motion approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Van Jacobsen summarized the substance of Res. 03-02, the merger of IAHA and AHR. He reported that 24 of the 29 Region 10 eligible delegates have been registered, plus

Lollie Ames, Mary Anne Grimmel, and Van Jacobsen, who are Delegates-at-Large. He reported that Marlys Anderson, Sunde Nelson, and Dean Meier received Local Club Member IAHA Volunteer Service Awards. He recommended that clubs linked to IAHA for membership enrollment and renewal are much more efficient. He also mentioned that IAHA offers links to Local Member shows for no fee. Bev Cole, Region 10 webmaster, will link the Region 10 Championship show.

Jacobsen described a Region 9 promotional venture which included free riding lessons, souvenir photos, and activity stations demonstrating grooming, feeding, farrier work. Discussion regarding other positive promotional activities followed. Van requested the formation of a Promotion Committee. Gay Jeanne Bower, Jackie Johnson, and Rachel Jurek volunteered. Van appointed Rachel as Chairman.

Jacobsen reported that the IAHA BOD voted 15-8 against continuing awarding complete Top Five awards at the Regional level.

The meeting recessed at 1:30 for pizza and resumed at 1:50.

YOUTH ROUND-UP REPORT: Joan Rose reported a show loss incurred by the need for a ribbon duplication order, costing \$800.

Kelly Jones took office as Region 10 IAHYA Youth Director in July.

2003 CONVENTION REPORT: Dean Meier distributed information about sponsorship opportunities for the 2003 Convention, which will be held in Milwaukee and co-sponsored with Region 11. He requested volunteers to help supervise the hospitality room at the Convention in Reno.

OLD BUSINESS: Website: Bev Cole said that free links to farm websites would be provided to any Region 10 voting member. She also spoke of the need for a policy regarding links supplied to other requests. Jill Frieders moved, Lollie Ames seconded a motion to agree to exchanging links with nonprofit horse related organizations if those requests were reciprocated by being linked to as well as from the Region 10 website. Motion approved.

Tax Situation: Jill Frieders reported that the situation is under control. The group's non-profit status has been reassumed. The accountant says that the group needs three years of documentation of its financial affairs, which will be provided, to file for a release from tax responsibility.

NEW BUSINESS:

REGION 10 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW REPORT: Although the 2002 show was financially unsuccessful, there was positive response to the extra day, the progressive barn party, the late start day, and the awarding of the garlands. There were some footing issues, and Larry Hoffman volunteered to act as liaison between the show and the grounds to address them. Most other issues were addressed during the earlier Show Committee meeting. Other venues proving unacceptable on the desired dates, the show will be held at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds in 2003. The Region 10 Championship Show will run from Tuesday June 6 through Sunday, June 10, with a one-day pre-show and Sunday dressage classes. Mary Tronson will be Show Secretary. Juli Goder-Larson moved, Gay Jeanne Bower seconded using the modified list of judges drawn for last year's show. Motion approved.

INSURANCE: The Region 10 financial situation probably precludes its underwriting insurance costs for Region 10 clubs in 2003, though the matter will need to be addressed at the January 2003 budgetary meeting. Director Jacobsen recommended that clubs go through IAHA to take out insurance with EquiSure, as IAHA has negotiated a better financial package than is available through USAE.

REGION 10 DELEGATE REIMBURSEMENT: Because of the reduced Region 10 Show profit, Larry Hoffman moved, Jill Frieders seconded that no reimbursement be made to Region 10 Delegates for the delegate packets at Convention 2002. After discussion, the motion was defeated 11-14. Sonya Olson

moved, Tom Anthony seconded a motion to reimburse each delegate attending Convention \$100. Motion approved. Related to Convention expense, Nancy Miller moved, Pat Forehand seconded a motion to limit the caucus meal expense to \$15 per delegate attending. Motion approved.

The meeting recessed at 3:55, resumed at 4:00.

2003 SHOW CALENDAR: Local Member Club show dates were reviewed and established for 2003. As Sahara Sands has been cancelled from its 2003 show by facility conflicts, Joan Rose requested May 3-4 as the dates for the Youth Round-Up in 2003.

The Sioux Falls Spring Shows I & II have requested approval from Region 10 to make their shows Region 10 qualifying shows. Bev Cole moved, Dean Meier seconded NOT approving the April 24-27, 2003 Sioux Falls shows as Region 10 qualifying shows. Motion approved to deny approval to the Sioux Falls shows.

ELECTION: Juli Goder-Larson submitted Dean Meier for Vice Director; Jill Frieders for Treasurer; and Jackie Johnson for Secretary. Gay Jeanne Bower moved, Sonya Olson seconded closing nominations for Vice Director. Gay Jeanne moved, Larry Hoffman seconded closing nominations for Treasurer. Gay Jeanne moved, Larry seconded closing nominations for Secretary. All three officers were elected by acclaim.

NEWSLETTER: Dean Meier moved, Lollie Ames seconded separating the newsletter (The Communicator) responsibilities from the office of Secretary and creating the new position of newsletter editor. Motion approved. A willing person needs to be found.

2003 SCHOLARSHIPS: Gay Jeanne Bower reported on the recipients of the 2002 winners and stressed the need to send out notices immediately on the availability of the Region 10 scholarships for 2003. Gay Jeanne moved, Anita Grant seconded the awarding of two \$500 Region 10 Scholarships in 2003. Motion approved.

WISCONSIN STATE HORSE COUNCIL/COLUMBUS FACILITY: Gay Jeanne Bower reported that the proposed facility will break ground when stronger financial backing has been provided; but that the facility will be a reality.

REGION 10 MEETING SCHEDULE: Region 10 Delegate Meetings will be held 12:00 noon, Sunday, January 19, 2003, at Sweetwaters Restaurant, Eau Claire; and Sunday March 9, 2003, Sweetwaters Restaurant, Eau Claire. A June meeting will be held at the Region 10 Championship show as needed and a fall meeting in Eau Claire will be scheduled later.

2003 CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS: The 26 Resolutions to be presented at the IAHA Convention in Reno were reviewed, clarified, and questioned. A straw vote regarding Res 22-02 (IAHA to withdraw from USAE) was taken. Delegates were opposed to withdrawing from USAE.

ADJOURNMENT: Nancy Miller moved, Dean Meier seconded adjournment at 6:01. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Urban, Secretary

REGION 10 CONVENTION CAUCUS MEETING

Thursday, November 21, 2002

Silver Legacy, Reno, NV

PRESENT: Kristin Urban (WDHA), Nancy Miller (WAHA), Dean Meier (WAHA), Mary Anne Grimmell (MAHA Delegate at Large), Mary Smith (NMAHA Guest), Marla Koob (IAHS), Jodi Dovel (MHAHA), Gary Holliday (MHAHA), Laura Mickelson (MAHA), Ann Bensen (MAHA), Pat Forehand (MAHA), Lori Mangan (MAHA), Juli Goder-Larson (WAHA), Jill Frieders (MAHA), Jackie Johnson (WDHA), Rita Lemke (WDHA), Lollie Ames (MAHA Delegate at Large), John Morici (WAHA), Rachael Jurek (MHAHA), Gay Jeanne Bower (WAHA), Jean O'Leary (WAHA), Kitty Omitt (SS), Roz Gilbert (NMAHA), Sonya Olson (NMAHA), Bev Cole (WAHA), Debra Hennington (NMAHA), Larry Hoffman (MAHA), Van Jacobsen (Director)

The Caucus was called to order by Director Van Jacobsen at 7:20 PM.

Jacobsen informed the group of the Executive Directive on November 10, 2002, to permit Region 10 Youth to solicit garland sponsorships at \$50 each, with \$10 for each sponsorship returned to the Youth.

Delegates were reminded of the Hospitality Room and hours for opportunity to mingle with Region 11 members in co-sponsoring the 2003 Convention. Skit practice was scheduled for 6:00 PM on Friday. Jacobsen extended thanks to Dean Meier for coordinating the Convention efforts.

Jacobsen announced the judges for the Region 10 Championship Show as Shannon Armstrong, Judy Wright-Stone, and Mary Jane Brown.

The Region 10 Championship show issues were reviewed. Dean Meier moved, Larry Hoffman seconded leaving the show at 4 days (5 days with dressage on Sunday) with a one day pre-show. The Show Committee is delegated to make financial adjustments as necessary to bring the show into a better profit picture. Motion approved.

Region 10 SubCommittee Chairmen were appointed to IAHA Committees and their names and addresses recorded by the Region 10 Secretary for submission to IAHA.

Changes to the Convention schedule were noted and the Resolutions reviewed and discussed.

Laura Mickelson requested to be officially on record to eliminate AAOTR at the Board level (?)

The IAHA Awards Committee meeting indicated a desire to separate the IAHA Achievement Awards from the Universal Awards System.

Concern was expressed about issues being decided at the IAHA BOD level rather than at the Convention level.

Discussion concerned points awarded at the IAHA Incentive Shows.

No formal action, other than noted above, was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Urban, Secretary