

BRITISH COLUMBIA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

RAMADA INN, NANAIMO AGM MINUTES 1:30 PM, MARCH 17, 2018

1. Call to Order

Pia Petersen called the meeting to order at 1:38 PM with 11 members and 1 proxy, which is a quorum.

- 2. Approval of Agenda
 - Gordon McEAchen moved and Robyn King seconded that the agenda be approved as circulated. CARRIED
- 3. Approval of Minutes –2017AGM (Kelowna) meeting Carolyn Farris moved and Carole Walton seconded that the minutes of the 2017 AGM. CARRIED
- 4. Correspondence none
- 5. Review of Financial Statements

The financial reports were presented. BCQHA is in a healthy Gordon McEachen moved and Dorothy Brown seconded that the Financial Reports be accepted. CARRIED

2016 and 2017 Financial Reports need to be reviewed by a member(s) Financial Review Committee. Gordon volunteered to take on the task.

- 6. Old Business
 - a. Rule Book Change

Moved by Gordon McEachen and seconded by Carole Walton that

the current wording in the Rulebook be amended to read:

"Each year the BCQHA recognizes the highest point earning BC Bred Quarter Horse. To be eligible the horse must belong to a BC resident and the horse was foaled in BC. The Annual Application must be made on the BC Bred Application and sent to the BCQHA address post marked by September 30 and received by October 15 of the award year. Open, Amateur and Youth points all count for the BC Bred Award. The applicant must be a BCQHA member in good standing. CARRIED

7. Reports – President's report is attached. Thanks were extended to Haidee Landry and Cherie Corrigan for all their hard work on behalf of BCQHA.

LM Zone reported they need more volunteers and they are having difficulty with conflicts with Washington Shows.

SC Zone is working on rebuilding and will be hosting their Fuzzy Show on 29 Apr and a trail weekend on the May long weekend with clinic, Challenge and Ride(s) that can be accessed as an all inclusive fee or individual activities.

VI reported they held their AGM this morning. They will be having two shows. Mt Arrowsmith June 9 & 10 and the Courtney (Glacier) Show July 7 & 8 will go ahead.

The new AQHA Director, Tara Gamble presented the CQHA/AQHA report. She introduced herself and shared her concern over attracting more youth. AQHA believes that they are at the bottom of a ten-year cycle and numbers should be improving. The new website is supposed to be coming soon (hopefully). Levelling continues to provide challenges for Canada and helping to make it better is one of Tara's goals. Concerns were expressed about maintaining amateur status while helping youth and new riders.

HCBC Director reported that HCBC is lobbying to change rules for farm status, working with Min of Ag and Red Cross on disaster funding

and working on improving member benefits. They are also working with EC to clear up the recognition of certified coaches.

Membership -2017 saw membership decline to 83 members. For 2018 we currently have 66 members so hope to see an increase over the last year.

Drug Screening was carried out in LM and SC with two positives, which were dealt with following the BCQHA policy and procedures. Hock injections need an extended period to leave the body and must have a drug form submitted to the office. Stacking medications such as Bute and Previcox (Firecrib) in a short time is not allowed. Supplements also need to be carefully watched as they may contain banned substances.

Web site is being reviewed and Amberlee is hoping to work with Cherie Corrigan to discuss how best to revamp it to encourage more readerships. Thanks were extended to Amberlee for all the work she does on the website.

8. New Business

a. Approval of draft bylaws

Cherie Corrigan moved and Robyn King seconded that the draft bylaws be approved and submitted to BC Societies to transition as a member society. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Election of Honorary members

Carolyn Farris moved and Roseanne Locke seconded that Honorary Memberships be awarded to Haidee Landry and Lynne Carter. CARRIED

9. INTRODUCTION OF THE 2018 BOARD

Cherie Jardine, Laureen Guenther, Carolyn Farris, Robyn King, Roseanne Locke, plus one additional person TBA from VI, Andy Hellquivst, Pia Petersen plus one additional person TBA from LM and Tara Gamble as the BC Director for AQHA.

10. Next Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS will take place immediately following.

AGM - Feb or Mar 2019, Lower Mainland

11. Adjournment

Roseanne moved and Cherie seconded that the meeting adjourn at 3:28. CARRIED

High Point Awards and VI and SC certificates were presented by Pia and Gordon.

