# QHRAI Board Meeting Horseshoe Indianapolis Backstretch Café, Shelbyville, IN September 11, 2023

Directors present: Natasha Perez, Vickie Duke, Stephanie McConnell, Jill Patrick, Tyler Martin, Gary Fouts, Nick Johnson, Abbie Haffner, President Chris Duke and Interim Executive Director Teresa Myers

Directors attending electronically: James Hurley and Pam Hann

Directors absent: Tim Eggleston Breed Development: Chris Duke

Guests: RJL Solutions & Mission Control

The meeting was called to order by President, Chris Duke. Additions to the Agenda include Challenge races.

Minutes for the August Board meeting were presented for approval; Jill Patrick made the motion to approve the minutes, Tyler Martin  $2^{nd}$ , approved unanimously.

Entered into the records... two email votes after the August Board Meeting

August 29<sup>th</sup> - Food vendor for Speed Sale. Vote was 10 for Dayton's Food Truck, one Director did not respond. Approved

September  $1^{st}$  - Live streaming of the Speed Sale. Vote was 8-0 to pay \$750.00 for Live Streaming. Vote was 8 for - three Directors did not respond. Approved

#### Financials:

The August Gaming revenue report was presented by Vickie Duke; Jill Patrick moved to approve the report, Gary Fouts 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, unanimously approved.

The Treasurer report for August was presented by Jim Hurley as prepared by Dave Kahre, Accountant. Vickie Duke moved to approve the report, Nick Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved unanimously.

Accounts Payable report was presented for Approval, Tyler Martin moved to approve, Jill Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, approved unanimously.

### <u>Lobbyists</u>

• Eric Perry discussed the Farm Tour with Legislators at Swifty Farms. Also discussed Champions Day, recommendation by Caesars was to reserve tables at the glass, the expenses would include meal, approximate cost \$1,200, Vickie Duke made a motion to authorize the expenses for Legislators, Tyler Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, approved unanimously. Discussed VICI concerns and progress with the other horsemen's groups. Chris Duke requested that RJL check into the "sales tax issue" effecting QHRAI.

### Mission Control

• Evan from Mission Control presented the options available with Mission Control for an Executive Director. 6 main areas, but can choose what options work best. Cost would be dependent on what options would be desired.

### **Breed Development**

• Discussion about frozen embryos, frozen semen for mares and stallions

#### **IHRC**

• Teresa Myers reported that the Application was delivered on August 30<sup>th</sup>; a report of deficiencies was received on three Conflicts of Interest. Discussion on Notary's.

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- Chris reported on the Capitol Improvement meeting. Still on track for the tote board, chapel and have agreed to winterize the barn.
- Also conversation on 2024 Solar Eclipse, April 8<sup>th</sup> possible racing / schooling races.

# Stakes - Nomination, Payments, Racing Season 2023:

- Credits (overpayments on payments) that didn't get used by the last payment were approved in the Accounts Payable for refunds.
- Backside Meeting September 2<sup>nd</sup> Good meeting, discussion from Horsemen, questions from horsemen, made notes and will ask questions. Reminder October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting
- Quarter Horse Day September 2<sup>nd</sup> All seemed to go well, results fairly even.
- Entry & Trial reports Discussed report

### SSA Committee

- Final Auction report
- Eligibility issue for 2024 Futurity, discussed, Board agreed it had been too many years; an exception could not be made.
- 2024 Stallion Service Auction terms & conditions were presented for approval.

  Discussion, Tyler Martin made a motion to accept the terms and conditions, Nick Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, approved unanimously.

### Awards Banquet - February 10, 2024 - Discussion on potential speakers

### Committees:

- Youth Day: nothing new to report
- Scholarship: nothing new to report
- Membership: 290 members
- Speed Sale: Discovered an issue with chairs, will contact for rentals. Discussion on food vouchers, everything else is moving forward, discussion on sales tax. Also discussion about selling once consigned.

#### Committees continued:

- Awards on Track: Teresa reported there was an issue with the hats and pre-payment. Hats will not be available for give away on QH day October  $7^{th}$ .
- By-Laws: Stephanie McConnell nothing to report
- Long Range Planning: Gary Fouts nothing to report
- Newsletter: Pam Hann Newsletter should have arrived
- Web-site: nothing new to report
- Board of Director elections 4 Board members going off

### Other Business

- Challenge Races in October; Stephanie McConnell is willing to attend on behalf of QHRAI. Vickie Duke made a motion to pay expenses, Gary Fouts 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, passed unanimously.
- Vickie Duke reported that the Futurity went very well, also received a text from an exhibitor that appreciated the 2<sup>nd</sup> career money sponsored by QHRAI
- Discussion about Contract for 2024, Abbie Haffner made a motion to approve the 2024 contract and authorize the signing, Vickie Duke 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved unanimously.

Next Meeting date - October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Backstretch Café (Track kitchen) 7:00 pm

Tyler Martin made a motion to adjourn, Nick Johnson 2nd, motion passed unanimously. 9:25 pm