

PCCHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Rancho Murieta, CA

8:00 AM

Members In Attendance: Kathy Cardon, Katie Banuelos, Sam Nevis, Morgan Cromer, Dylan Meyer, Lee Brooks, Mike Flashman, Debbie Day, Steve Schlesinger, Stan Williams, Sherry Cowan, Ruben Mageno, Julie Clarke, Ashley Thomas and Monty Buntin.

Members Absent: Norman Clark, Cathy Shelly, Ryan Long and Dave Costello

Staff Present: Phil Benadum, Tami Rodman and Debbie McGregor

Kathy Cardon called the meeting to order at 8:15 am.

Roll Call (see above): Phil Benadum reminded the Board that meeting absences will result in a letter to that Board Member and a reminder of the Absent rule (see rule at the end of these minutes)

Finance Committee Report: *Monty Buntin moved to approve the Finance Committee Report; seconded by Ashley Thomas; motion passed.*

Finance Committee Silver Sponsor Club Allocation: *Katie Banuelos moved to approve the Allocation as follows: Tulare: \$3,000; Derby: \$6,000 and Futurity: \$6,000; Ashley Thomas seconded the motion; motion passed.*

Presidents Report - Kathy Cardon

Kathy welcomed new Board members: Ryan Long, Ashley Thomas, Cathy Shelly and Monty Buntin. She reported that the Association is looking into developing webinars and pod casts to help the membership keep up on all Association Information.

Collier Buffington Presentation: A "casual" presentation of Leveling the NCHA Weekend classes was presented by PCCHA Member, Collier Buffington. After the presentation, Ashley Thomas moved to request that Phil Benadum, Sherry Cowan and himself present his presentation to the NCHA Competition Committee; seconded by Debbie Day. The Board continued to discuss this subject trying to decide if there was enough information in the presentation although it's a good start. Once this discussion ended, the motion did not pass.

Cutters Caring and Sharing Financial Report: Currently there is \$96,486.46 in the account.

Their Mission is to ensure the physical and social well being of PCCHA members whose livelihoods depend on the cutting horse industry. This Committee is private and confidential.

PCCHA Coyote Rock Ranch Roundup: A schedule of the event was provided. Besides the cutting event, the Awards banquet is scheduled on Saturday, March 9th and possibly the venue may be moved to a winery belonging to a member which may turn into a sponsorship. There will also be a General Membership meeting during the Event. Clarke Butte Ranch will be the Weekend Circuit sponsors.

Executive Director Report

Cowan Ranch Series: Purina Mills has ended their sponsorship as of 2019. They were involved with the PCCHA Purina Mills Saddle Series. Jack & Sherry Cowan have generously stepped in to those shoes and will continue the series as the Cowan Ranch Series - \$35K NP and \$15K AM. The Cowan's would like to establish an additional award focusing on the \$2,000 Limit with buckles (Champion & Reserve) going to the highest advancing Amateur. Rider must have NCHA amateur card.

The \$2K AM series will be a class within the NCHA \$2K Limit rider and the class will be offered on the same days that the Cowan Ranch Saddle Series events take place. All three classes will have standings with the last classes being held at the PCCHA Summer Roundup in Reno. ***Steve Schlesinger moved to approve the Cowan Ranch Saddle Series as well as the \$2K Limit- Highest Advancing Amateur; seconded by Ashley Thomas; motion passed.***

Tulare Cutting - The Tulare Cutting will be April 29th-May 5th and by unanimous approval, the show will be a tester for the new NCHA Leveling System. Lucas Oil/Protect The Harvest is the Title Sponsor of this cutting. NCHA and Cutting Horse Central will help with the advertising. ***Monty Buntin moved to approve the Tulare Cutting; seconded by Mike Flashman; motion passed. Sam Nevis moved to use the new NCHA Leveling system at the rest of PCCHA's Major LAE Events - The Derby and Futurity; seconded by Katie Banuelos; motion passed. Note:*** If the Leveling system does not work well at the Derby, the Board will re-visit the Futurity's format.

Reno Cutting - The Reno Cutting will be held July 30th to August 3rd at the Livestock Center in Reno, NV. It will be a weekend based cutting with some smaller LAE classes within that format. The show will once again offer a 3 Year Old practice package. The Show Grounds and the Hotel (The Nugget) and its issues with parking will be looked into. Clarke Butte Ranch will be the Circuit Sponsors. ***Debbie Day moved to approve the Reno Cutting's format; seconded by Monty Buntin; motion passed.***

Cascades Futurity - Cascades Futurity (Julie Clarke) has asked Phil Benadum to manage her show in Oregon slated for August 8th to August 18th, 2019. Phil will help manage the Event with the PCCHA receiving compensation of \$30,000. ***Sam Nevis moved to approve the offer; seconded by Lee Brooks; motion passed.***

Insight Equine Presentation - by Debra Flashman: Debra presented to the Board her new venture - Insight Equine. Her services provide a "Go To" place/booth set up at various equine events where the general public and contestants alike can seek out Association's information. Cost would be \$350/monthly and "one time" costs for promotional materials. The Board recommended that this proposal go to the PCCHA Finance Committee at their next meeting scheduled for April 17th.

Association Photographer Bids - Four bids were presented to the Board for Official PCCHA Photographer since Midge Ame's retirement. The Board needed to consider many items when it came to picking the right candidate: quality of work, works well with other entities such as Cutting Horse Central, Face Book and providing pictures at the show for all advertising. ***Morgan Cromer moved to select Laurie Errington of Scootem & Shootem Photography; seconded by Ruben Mageno; motion passed.***

Bill Banner - NCHA/PCCHA member - Bill Banner, passed away and left PCCHA a gift of \$25,000. Attorney/PCCHA member, Whit Davis, suggested verbiage that will allow the PCCHA to accept the gift without requesting a formal accounting. A letter to Bill Banner's attorney will be created along with Whit's suggestions and reviewed by attorney Peter Spadoni, for final approval. Once approved, the letter will be sent appropriately to the Law firm representing Bill Banner. ***Sam Nevis moved to accept the \$25,000 gift and waive the formal accounting; seconded by Monty Buntin; motion passed.***

Next Board of Directors Meeting - May 15th, 11:00am, Farm Bureau, Sacramento, CA

2020 Work Shop - ***Sam Nevis moved to hold the 2020 Work Shop at the Murieta Inn and Spa; seconded by Debbie Day; motion passed.***

Old Business - The Mercuria no longer exists and will not be offered in 2020. The PCCHA established criteria for the Year End Standings for Weekend Open/Non Pro Classes with over a \$10,000 purse: 25% of monies earned will go towards Year End Standings. ***Monty Buntin moved to accept the 25% earnings on a \$10,000 purse for Year End Standings; seconded by Sherry Cowan; motion passed.***

New Business

1. Awards Program - Awards Chairman, Stan Williams, reported to the Board that now more than ever, each member needs to secure 2 Silver Sponsors at \$1,000 each to cover awards. This is even more important now that the Level System will be in place at all of the events.

2. Unlimited Am/Any Age Class - This event took place in 2018 and was met with some controversy. ***Morgan Cromer moved to discontinue the class in 2019 as presently there is no sponsor; seconded by Stan Williams; motion passed.***

3. Trainers Request - The trainers that go to the PCCHA LAE events have made a request to move the Open classes/Finals before the Non Pro and Amateur events. ***Sam Nevis moved to accept the trainers' request; seconded by Ashley Thomas; motion passed.***

4. Bowling Tournament - Stan Williams would like to see a fun event, such as a bowling tournament held during the Derby and Futurity. Possibly East VS West or Trainers Vs Lopers.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:20 pm - ***Katie Banuelos moved to adjourn meeting; seconded by Ashley Thomas; motion passed.***

PCCHA Board of Directors Absence Rule (1/30/2019)

Sec.9. The Board of Directors of this Association shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Immediate Past President and fifteen (15) members in good standing, twelve of which shall be elected according to the provisions of Article II of these by-laws and three of which shall be appointed by the President as follows: Each year the President shall appoint a director from the membership to serve at-large for a term of three years.

(a) All members of the Board of Directors shall serve a three (3) year term to begin on January 1st of the year immediately following their election or appointment, except for appointments to fulfill uncompleted terms.

(b) All members of the Board of Directors must have been members in good standing for a period of one year prior to their election or appointment. In the event of a vacancy in the Board of Directors, it shall be the duty of the President to appoint a replacement, providing the appointee so qualifies under the provisions of this section to serve the remainder of the uncompleted term.

(c) The Board of Directors shall meet at least two times per year at the direction of the President.

(d) Special Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or any six (6) members of the Board of Directors at any time or place on one week's notice.

(e) A Quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors shall not be less than ten (10) of the Directors. A majority of such Quorum shall decide any questions that may come before the meeting. All Directors' meetings may be adjourned from day to day or from time to time until a Quorum appears.

(f) The order of business at all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be:

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Reading and disposal of minutes.
4. Reports of Officers and Committees.
5. Election (if any).
6. Unfinished business.
7. New business.
8. Adjournment.

(g) Any member of the Board of Directors shall be removed if:

1. A Director misses any Board of Directors' meetings, without approval of the President or Board of Directors, or misses a total of three (3) Board of Directors meetings during his/her three (3) year term of office.

2. A District Director moves out of the district in which he/she serves as a Director, he/she will automatically relinquish said directorship, or

3. A Director at-large moves out of the territory of the Association, he/she will automatically relinquish said directorship.