

PCCHA General Membership Meeting

January 24, 2015 1:30 pm

South Point Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, NV

2014 President, Sam Nevis, welcomed the members to the meeting. He thanked the following South Point staff for their help: Maureen Robinson and Larry Blau.

Proof of Due Notice: QHN insider; PCCHA Web site; Eblast; Face Book and Twitter

Approval of 2014 Minutes: *Eric Wisheart moved to approve; seconded by Katie Banuelos; motion passed.*

Youth Fund Board – Jim Tilton: Jim Tilton introduced himself as 2015 Chair for the Youth Fund.

He stated that there are 120 youth claiming \$140,000 worth of scholarships. This year Fund raisers will include a Silent Auction and Gala.

Presidents Report – Sam Nevis: Sam Nevis wished to thank the members' and staff for great 2014.

Finance Committee Presentation – Frank Martin: Frank Martin provided 2014 financials that include information on the sale of the PCCHA office building as well as a scenario of the 2015 Futurity and what the net income would be according to the number of event days held. He also discussed reducing the number of cattle per cutter in the aged events (excluding the Futurity) from 4 head to 3.5 head per cutter where applicable. The Reserve fund currently has a balance of \$400,000.

Executive Director Report – Phil Benadum: Phil Benadum spoke to the membership in regards to how hard the Finance and Executive Committees have worked. The Reserve Fund went from \$50,000 in 2008 to its current balance of \$400,000. He explained that the current Officers and Committees have great ideas, but the general membership must participate as they are PCCHA's best sponsors.

2015 Events and programs:

Stallion Service Auction- bidding ends Feb 6 at 4:00 pm

Spring Roundup Dates: March 11-15, 2015

Core Balance Derby Dates: June 9-15, 2015

Futurity Dates, (tent): Oct. 20-Nov 1, 2015

Open Forum

Cookie Banuelos inquired about making all *5/6 Opens one go, a wildcard round and a finals*. It would cut cattle costs and take a higher percentage to the finals. After some discussion concerning entry fees, it was decided to conduct a survey on the PCCHA web site and poll the membership .

Discussion concerning *the \$50,000 Amateur and the Unlimited Amateur and number of entries that qualify for live finals vs. pencil finals* was discussed. A decision was made to address this topic to the Executive Committee meeting for further discussion.

Question concerning why NCHA sends out the same *Judges Monitor* and why the monitors can't be rotated. No solution was derived.

Futurity discussion concerning a *pre-work day* before the Futurity and a *2 day NCHA weekend show* added to the schedule. These items will go to the appropriate Committees for further discussion.

Slot System –does the Slot System need revamping? 18 horses didn't get entered because they were waiting for slot availabilities that never came in lieu of paying the 30% late fee. Kathy Cardon will create several new scenarios and provide a survey to the membership.

Meeting adjourned 2:00