

## **PCCHA Board of Directors Meeting**

**January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 9:00 am**

**South Point Hotel, Las Vegas, NV**

**Attending Board Members Present:** President-Sam Nevis, Immediate Past President-Scott Weis; Vice President-Dave Costello; Treasurer-Frank Martin; 2013 Treasurer-Rick Williams.

**Board Members Present:** Norman Clark, Kathy Cardon, Ruben Mageno, Phyllis Sorbet, Katie Banuelos, David Booth, Morgan Cromer, Lee Brooks, Modine Smith, Terry Ratto and Todd Bimat.

**Board of Directors absent (excused):** Mike Wood, Suzy Silverberg and Gavin Jordan

**PCCHA Staff Present:** Executive Director-Phil Benadum, Tami Rodman and Debbie McGregor

**PCCHA Members Present:** Kathy Dassel, Michelle LeMaster, Kathleen Burr, Roger Booth and Melissa Weis.

**The 2014 Board of Directors meeting was called to order** by President, Sam Nevis at 9:00 am.

### ***2013 Finance Committee Report -***

#### ***Statement of Assets, Liabilities & Equities***

#### ***Statements of Revenues and Expenses by class***

#### ***Summary Report***

***Scott Weis moved to approve the 2013 Finance Committee Report as presented. Seconded by Kathy Cardon. Motion passed.***

### **President's Report-Sam Nevis:**

President, Sam Nevis introduced the new 2014 Board of Directors:

Region # 2 – Katie Banuelos thru 2016;

Directors at Large - David Booth thru 2016and Suzy Silverberg thru 2015

Appointed Director - Kathy Cardon thru 2016.

President, Sam Nevis reminded the Board that they have a fiduciary and ethical responsibility to the Association and to please represent the PCCHA ethically and positively in their every day encounters.

### **Executive Committee Nominations**

***Dave Costello moved to nominate Kathy Cardon for the available Executive Committee 2 year term.***

***Seconded by Scott Weis. Motion passed.***

***Todd Bimat moved to nominate Terry Ratto for the available Exexecutive Committee 1 Year term. Seconded by Morgan Cromer. Motion passed.***

### **Standing Committee Reports**

**Aged Event & Oversight Committee: Kathy Cardon – Kathy Cardon reported** the purpose of this committee is to review each event 30 days after and analyze what changes can be made in order to improve the event.

**Cattle: Lee Brooks –** Lee Brooks informed the Board of the worst case scenario if the drought situation continurs and what steps may need to be taken if cattle supply is scarce – such as Cattle sur-charges and seeking an outside cattle source for the Derby in the event Centennial Livestock cannot supply the cattle.

**Judges: Phil Benadum for Tim Castilaw –** Phil informed the Board that the Judges have been secured for the Roundup in March.

**Non Pro: Norman Clark –** Norman Clark informed the Board that there was an Unlimited Amateur Class Proposal being presented at the Executive Committee Meeting by the Unlimited Amateur Committee.

Norm will be bringing the PCCHA's request to increase the limit on the \$2,000 Limit class in line with the increases in the NCHA Approved Novice Classes to the NCHA Convention.

The Mercuria earnings percentage of 25% being increased was discussed. No changes were made at this t ime.

The location controversy of the 2014 Western Nationals was discussed and Norm will bring this up at the NCHA Convention.

Norm informed the Board that Jerry Gillock has been appointed Chairman of the "Senior Tour" Committee and a proposal is forth coming for a 55 Years and older class within a class at the weekend cuttings.

Brief discussion pertaining to the large gap felt after competitors are no longer eligible for the weekend \$50,000 Amateur and are forced to compete at the Non Pro level.

**Trainers: Dave Costello for Gavin Jordan** – Dave Costello informed the Board that there is a propose going to be presented to the Executive Committee regarding the Futurity Open Intermediate qualifications.

**Youth: Phil Benadum for Kim Davis** – Phil Benadum reported that Chairman, Kim Davis will be conducting a Youth meeting in the near future at a well attended Youth Weekend Show. She asks that she be contacted if there are questions or comments.

**Stallion: Kathy Cardon** – 2 proposals going to the Executive Committee:

**Proposal # 1:** Kathy Cardon reported that her Committee would like to add a new tier to the Gelding Stakes Flat Fee structure. This would allow Yearlings to be paid up for \$500 by December 31<sup>st</sup> of their yearling year. A one time extension will be granted for 2013 yearlings to be paid up until April 1<sup>st</sup> of 2014 for \$500.

**Proposal #2:**

- A) Change the Cutting Stakes payment schedule by making the \$200,000 Non Pro a class within the Non Pro (\$500 to enter/\$400 jackpot/\$100 office) with \$1,000 added purse;
- B) Add the NCHA Unlimited Amateur to the Cutting Stakes as a class by itself with 1 go and a finals with a \$7,500 added purse.
- C) Leaving the present structure of the Cutting Stakes \$50,000 Amateur as is.

Sherry Cowan and Kathleen Burr have been added to the Stallion Committee.

**Awards: Michelle LeMaster** – Michelle LeMaster reported that there will be Gear Bags made by Roo-hide and “Vendor Bucks” as Finlist Awards.

For the Roundup, the insulated grocery bags were a big hit as well as the wrist bands for restaurant discounts in Paso Robles.

**PCCHA Holy Cow Performance Horses Roundup Schedule:** The 2014 PCCHA Holy Cow Performance Horses Roundup Schedule has been approved and posted on the PCCHA web site as well as the February Pacific Coast Journal.

**PCCHA Core Balance Derby** – Tentative dates for the 2014 PCCHA Core Balance Derby are June 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. These dates include an extra day to include the Mercuria. The Association currently has secured \$15,000 in outside sponsorships for the Mercuria added purse. Executive Director, Phil Benadum, is seeking sponsors for the remaining \$10,000.

***Frank Martin moved for the Board of Directors meeting to go into closed session; Seconded by Rick Williams. Motion passed***

#### **PCCHA Office Building**

Scott Weis moved to allow the Board of Directors to empower the Executive Committee to attempt to restructure the note for the best possible outcome for the PCCHA. Once a restructure becomes complete the Board of Directors empowers the Executive Committee to take necessary action to sell building and negotiate the difference with the bank. The Executive Committee will be sensitive to the commitment made by PCCHA when the original loan terms with the bank. Seconded by David Costello; motion passed.

All in favor – Norm Clark, Phyllis Sorbet, Todd Bimat, Terry Ratto, Katie Banuelos, David Costello, Morgan Cromer, Scott Weis, Frank Martin, Ruben Mageno and Kathy Cardon.

All Opposed – Lee Brooks, Modine Smith

***Scott Weis moved to accept the recommendations from the Board of Directors closed session. Seconded by David Costello. Motion passed.***

**PCCHA Board of Directors meeting open session continues.**

#### **Old Business**

##### **Cutters Caring and Sharing: Phyllis Sorbet**

Phyllis Sorbet reported to the Board that the account will remain and be maintained Carol Ward’s Foundation. There is currently \$27,000 in the account. Jack and Sherry Cowan contribute \$10,000 per year to this account and they need to be recognized for their generosity by the PCCHA. A card of Thanks will be sent to the Cowans from the Association.

**Shipping Awards from PCCHA Office**

Kathy Cardon moved for the award winners to be charged Shipping and Handling charges if they request the PCCHA Staff to send their awards that were not picked up at either the Events or Year End Awards Banquet. Said awards will be shipped at the recipient's expense which will include postage and handling and any insurance requested by the recipient. Seconded by Katie Banuelos.

Motion passed. Opposed- David Costello

**New Business**

1. Scott Weis informed the Board of the Entry Fee increase by \$500 at the NCHA Summer Spectacular.
2. Board recognizes that if the drought continues, a temporary cattle surcharge may need to be added to the entry fee and made apparent to the membership.
3. David Costello suggested that PCCHA produce a "Year-End Finals" Cutting show that would encompass the Awards Banquet and Convention. Problems arising include no weekends free after the PCCHA Futurity and the start of the NCHA Futurity. Another suggestion was to produce it in place of the Convention weekend in January of the next year. Tabled- No action taken.

**Adjournment**

David Booth moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Todd Bimat. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.