

**UNITED PROFESSIONAL HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING July 12th, 2008
1:30 P.M. Lexington, KY**

President Jim Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Secretary Renee Lavery called the roll and the following were in attendance:

President - Jim Taylor
1st Vice President - James Nichols
2nd Vice President - Bret C. Day
Secretary - Renee Lavery
Treasurer - Larry Bacon
Immediate Past President - Randy Harper
Young Trainers Chairman - Billy Jarrell
ASHA President - Mary Anne Cronan
Associate Membership President - Dr. Owen Weaver
Equitation Committee Chairman - Dale Arnston
Chapter 1 - Jennifer Dixon
Chapter 2 - no representation
Chapter 3/4 - Lynda Freseth
Chapter 5 - Nikki Harrison
Chapter 6/7 - Barbe Smith
Chapter 8 - Proxy
Chapter 9 - Martin Teater
Chapter 10 - Proxy
Chapter 11 - Mindy Preston
Chapter 12 - John Whalen
Chapter 13 - Bob Phillips
Chapter 14 - Gary Garone
Chapter 15 - Tara Wentz
Chapter 16 - no representation
Chapter 17 - Amanda Ward
Chapter 18 - Nancy Troutman
Chapter 19 - Proxy
Chapter 20 - Proxy

There was a quorum present. Guests also present were Brent Jacobs, Howie Schatzberg and Kent Moeller.

MINUTES

Members read the minutes from the April 2008 meeting and there was a motion by Martin Teater, seconded by Bob Phillips, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

UPHA American Royal Update

Horse Show manager Kent Moeller was present to update the board on the prize list and judges. The prize lists will be ready to mail just after Louisville this year and were in the process of being proofed. He also read thru the list of judges for the horse show and various Equitation Championships.

Horse Show Photography Issue

Howie Schatzberg was present to represent the professional photographer's point of view in the horse show photography issues that were being discussed as a result of the Junior League horse show not allowed freelance photographers to shoot at this year's show. Brent Jacobs was present to represent the freelance photographers' point of view. After discussing both points of view on this issue, the UPHA Board felt that they can only make decisions for the UPHA American Royal National Championship Horse Show and that the show board has already said they are open to whatever the UPHA and the steering committee decide on the issue. The UPHA Board feels that the decision regarding the allowance of freelance photographers to take pictures at other horse shows, needs to be left up to those horse shows and the photographer they hire. There should be some type of compromise between the two sides. It was recommended to the American Royal Horse Show board, by the UPHA, that the wording that was used in the Junior League Prize list to not allow outside the ring photographers NOT be printed in the prize list for the UPHA American Royal National Championships Horse Show. Later in the meeting, it was agreed that the UPHA portion of the horse show steering committee would recommend to the horse show committee that the photography situation remain the same as it has always been and we would encourage the freelance photographers not to post or sell their photographs until 24 after the horse show concludes.

Financial Report

Larry Bacon, UPHA Treasurer, reviewed the current figures and after a few questions, there was a motion made by John Whalen, seconded by Gary Garone, to accept the financial report as given.

Associate Membership Report

Dr. Owen Weaver reports that the Associate membership group had mailed out media packets to over 200 horse shows that explained how to write press releases and how to work with your local media to cover your horse show. They are also working on a barn promotion packet that barns will be able to use to promote their business to their local communities.

ASHA

Mary Anne Cronan, ASHA President, praised the UPHA Pink Ribbon program and the media attention it is getting for local horse shows. She explained all the changes for this year's Youth Program auction and activities during Louisville due to the construction at the Executive Inn.

Equitation Committee Report

Dale Arnston, committee Chairman reported that the new "UPHA Ribbons of Service" program is well underway and the brochures and program guidelines will be ready well before the UPHA American Royal National Championship.

There was a request from the UPHA Equitation Committee for the Board to consider changing the UPHA Helen Crabtree Instructor of the Year to an Instructors' Hall of Fame. After some discussion, there was a motion by Bret Day, seconded by Randy Harper, that the current UPHA Helen Crabtree Instructor of the Year award be changed to the UPHA Helen Crabtree Instructor Hall of Fame and that all past recipients be automatically rolled over into the new Hall of Fame. Beginning in 2009, we will have an Instructors Hall of Fame award, as well as an Instructor of the Year award each year. Guidelines for each award will be written prior to the award winners being chosen.

UPHA Pink Ribbon Class

Renee Lavery reported that the current total for the PRC fund raising is at \$14,000. Garym Garone then presented a check from the UPHA Chapter 14 Spring Premier Horse

Show in the amount of \$33,000 which now brings the total raised for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer year end donation to \$47,000.

KSF World's Championship Horse Show

Bret Day updated the board on the advisory board meeting with the horse show. Their committee got to see the new building that would be holding all the new indoor stabling and reported that things look to be okay and that the safety of the horses and riders was top on everyone's list. He also said there would be a lounge/bar/restaurant area adjacent to the new stabling for people to gather and socialize. There would also be TVs available to watch the horse show while you relaxed.

Young Trainers Committee

Billy Jarrell reported that their committee had had 2 meetings since their last report and that the "Over vs. Under Trainers Basketball Game" would again be held the weekend of the fall Tattersall's Sale and that they were working hard on getting the 2009 Young Horse Preview going for January of 2009.

Convention Updates

Larry Bacon, chairman of the Convention Committee, stated there would be a convention Committee meeting immediately following this board meeting and that plans were underway for some exciting events at the 2009 UPHA Convention in Hilton Head, SC. He also announced that a good contract had been signed with the Sheraton Hotel in New Orleans, LA, and that we would be going to New Orleans in 2010.

UPHA Classics Incentive Sale

Bret Day said the committee had met and agreed that in 2008 the UPHA Sale would be for both Yearlings and Two Year olds in training. There would also be two separate "pots" for the incentive fund prize money from this point on. He also reported that \$92,000 was available to be awarded at the 2008 UPHA Classic Grand Championships in Kansas City this year. The money will be split between the top ribbon winning '06 yearling sale three year olds in each division. There might be one winner, there might be up to 4 winners, or that prize fund money may not be won by anyone and then be added to the purse for the 2009 Classics Championships. It should be an exciting evening at the American Royal this year.

Old Business

Jim Taylor reported that their meetings with the Lexington Junior League Horse Show board in regards to the Jumbotron location, were successful and this year it appears that the new location is working just fine.

Martin Teater stated that the UPHA Chapter 9 Fall Classic Horse Show was again going to benefit the UPHA Dewey Henderson Benevolent Fund in 2008.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen G. Richardson, Executive Secretary