

## **Southern Wisconsin Buckskin Association Meeting Minutes October 25, 2014**

Meeting called to order by Stacie Riehl at 11:10 a.m.

14 Members in attendance: Stacie Riehl, Sarah Riehl, Gretchen Zezcher, Rowdy Bentham, Carlene Bessette, Kim Larson, Vickie Wheeler, Mia Hayes, Kathy Yager, Sue Weyers, Sheri LaMarche, Brittney Hogan, Kayla Fink, Kim Seehafer.

**Meeting Minutes** from the previous meeting were read by Kathy Yager. Motion to approve minutes with one change. Josephine Austin was listed as the sponsorship coordinator and it should be Tammy Austin.

**Treasurers Report** given by Kathy Yager. Motion to approve treasurers report by Sarah Riehl and seconded by Gretchen Zezcher.

**Correspondence** – None

**Youth Committee** – No Report

**Sponsorship Committee** – No Report will discuss more during meeting.

### **New Business**

\*Discussed shows for 2015, whether we should have 2 or 3 shows – we decided to have 2 in Jefferson. The Jefferson dates will be May 29, 30, 31 and June 19, 20, 21. Had a discussion on having any shows in Madison for 2015 and it was decided to not have any in Madison for this year and maybe look at having one there in the future.

\*Discussed having 2 or 3 day shows and 3 or 4 judges.

\*Discussed merging with Wis-III for our June show in Jefferson and their September show at Fox Valley. We will split the cost of the grounds, judges, show help, etc. Motion made by Kim Larson and seconded by Staci Riehl to merge with Wis-III for 2015. Motion made by Gretchen Zecher to have a 3-day show in June with 3 judges each day and have Circuit Awards for each class. It was seconded by Kim Larson. Motion was made by Vickie Wheeler to have a 2 day show at Fox Valley with 4 judges each day and seconded by Gretchen Zezcher. Vickie Wheeler stated that Wis-III will give a volunteer Ring Steward for 2 days and possibly a volunteer announcer for 1 or 2 days if we merge with them for the show.

\*Discussed our May show and combining with Wisconsin Palomino Club. SWBA would be in charge of the show and we would be adding Palomino classes and we would split the cost of the grounds, judges, show help, etc. Motion made by Kim Larson to combined with Palomino

and have a 3 day show with 3 judges each day pending ok from the Palomino Club, otherwise a 2 day show with 3 judges each day. Seconded by Gretchen Zezcher. Stacie Riehl, Sheri LaMarche and Kathy Yager will get together ahead of time to go over any last minute details.

\*Discussed Showbill – Motion by Stacie Riehl to move Reining after Western Riding, seconded by Gretchen Zezcher. Motion by Vickie Wheeler to add All Breed Walk-Trot Trail, seconded by Stacie Riehl. Show fees, stall fees, etc. were discussed. For the June show the All-Inclusive fee will be \$395.00 for ABRA and exhibitors may cross over into the All Breed classes at no additional charge. Motion made by Kayla Fink and seconded by Brittney Hogan. For the May shows since we won't have All Breed classes the All-Inclusive fee will be \$375.00. Motion made by Stacie Riehl and seconded by Gretchen Zezcher. A motion was made by Gretchen Zezcher to have NSBA classes on Saturday of the June show and seconded by Sue Weyers. Stall fees for the May & June shows will be \$70.00, tack stalls will be \$55.00, jump-out fee \$15.00, camping will be \$25.00/electric & \$18.00/non-electric.

\*Discussed Show Help Positions – Decided to do some of it as volunteer help using 2 hour time slots and people will sign up in the office before the show. Motion made by Kim Larson and seconded by Sarah Riehl for having to do volunteer work to receive year-end awards. This would include working at the shows, things done before the shows, such as time spent getting sponsorships, etc. Volunteer help for all except office, announcer, in-gate and ring person. Will try for volunteer for in-gate but they need to do at least a day at a time as this is a more difficult position, they need to keep the show moving along. Gretchen Zezcher stated she may have someone that would volunteer for the in-gate position. Kim Larson made a motion on the volunteer help and seconded by Sarah Riehl. A motion was made by Gretchen Zezcher for the announcer to be paid no more than \$175.00 per day flat fee and to sign a contract like the judges do as this is a hard position to fill. Seconded by Sue Weyers. It was decided to combine the Show Manager and Show Secretary position. Sheri LaMarche nominated Kathy Yager to be the Show Manager/Show Secretary and was seconded by Kim Larson. Kathy Yager will make a sign-up sheet for the volunteer work.

\*Discussed having a sign in the office for people to see who to go to if they have any questions or problems during the shows. Kathy Yager will make up something to post.

\*Stacie Riehl, Sarah Riehl, Sue Weyers and Kathy Yager will be representatives for SWBA to make sure everything is in order before the shows.

\*Bobbi Jo Taylor and Sheri LaMarche will be the liaisons for Palomino classes if there are any problems or questions at the May combined show.

## **Fundraising Ideas**

\*Motion was made by Gretchen Zezcher and seconded by Kayla Fink to have a mock class after the english and western breaks both days to raise money. \$5.00 per person.

\*Do a 50/50 cash raffle. The youth can help sell tickets as part of their volunteer work. Tickets can be sold throughout the weekend and the drawing will be held at the lunch break on Sunday.

\*Have a muffin sale. See if we can get some muffins donated by a store and/or people can bring homemade ones. This can be done on an honor system and be set up in the office.

\*May-Have a muffin/bake sale, June have people bring handmade crafts/homemade foods, September liquor/gift baskets or anything people want to bring.

\*Have a Facebook cyber auction. Items can be donated and auctioned off such as training, stud fees, lessons, photo shoots, horse related or non horse related items, just about anything. If someone donates something their information will be posted as a sponsor on our website, announced at the shows and if they supply a banner, literature, etc. we will display their information at the shows. Nikki Seehafer will be in charge of setting it up on Facebook and Kathy Yager will help.

\*Kathy Yager said she will be setting up a Paypal Donate Button for the website so people can go there and give monetary donations also. If someone gives a monetary donation their information will be posted as a sponsor on our website, announced at the shows and if they supply a banner, literature, etc. we will display their information at the shows.

\*Rowdy Bentham donated the cost of a stall. If the exhibitor shows at all 3 shows they would then get their September stall free and a drawing will be done for it. He will also donate a stall per show for the Facebook auction.

\*Sue Weyers will head a committee to get people to bring items for the silent auctions.

## **Awards**

\*Asked for different ideas for awards such as chairs, halters, glasses, etc.

\*Discussed having the awards banquet for 2014 year-end on Thursday night before the June show.

## **Advertising**

Kathy Yager will make up an ad for the Wisconsin Horseman's News and the Horse Circuit News and the clubs will split the cost of the ads. April ads will be split by all 3 clubs.

Motion by Vickie Wheeler to adjourn and seconded by Brittney Hogan at 3:15 p.m.