

Hungarian Horse Association of America
Board Meeting Minutes of March 31, 2009

The conference call meeting was called to order by Chris Bredeson at 8:04 PM on Tuesday, March 31, 2009.

The conference call was attended by:

Chris Bredeson	Rick Brandt	Ellen Walker
Linda Rudolphi	Karen Andraska	Egon Kamarasy
George Cooksley	Katherine Nelson	

There are three points to discuss:

1. Selection of officers
2. Discussion on funding for members attending Horse Expos / Educational Promotional events.
3. Discussion about 2009 annual meeting.

Ellen Walker also asked that anyone with info for the newsletter get it to her as soon as possible.

With the newly elected board in place, Chris Bredeson called for nominations for the following officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Registrar, Secretary, & Membership Secretary. These are all two year terms and they are overdue since we did not have an annual meeting in 2008. Chris Bredeson also declined to run for another term as President. Chris asked if any of the other current officers would be interested in serving again. All agreed to serve if nominated. The meeting was open for nominations. There was some discussion as to whether the Registrar was a position that was elected by the board and nobody could answer that question at the time. Katherine Nelson suggested that if it was an appointed position that could be taken care of but for the time being Linda Rudolphi agreed to continue her position. Katherine Nelson placed her nomination of Karen Andraska and Heidi Christensen for Secretary, George Cooksley for Treasurer and Linda Rudolphi for Registrar. Rick Brandt Seconded the motion. Chris Bredeson nominated Rick Brandt for President. Ellen Walker Seconded. Linda Rudolphi nominated Katherine Nelson for Vice President. George Cooksley moved that nominations cease and we pass a unanimous ballot for these places. Ellen Walker seconded. Chris clarified that the officers were nominated as follows:

Rick Brandt	President
Katherine Nelson	Vice President
Karen Andraska	Secretary
Heidi Christensen	Membership Secretary
George Cooksley	Treasurer
Linda Rudolphi	Registrar (if this is an elected position)

All in were in favor and there were no oppositions. The new officers were elected as

nominated above. Chris Bredeson asked if Rick Brandt would like to run the balance of the meeting and Rick declined and asked Chris to continue.

Next item on the agenda was the funding of members to attend Horse Expos. The discussion followed. Katherine Nelson moved that we look at these applications for funding on a case by case basis with set dollar amount. Chris Bredeson amended the motion as follows: We budget up to \$150.00 per member that wants to represent the HHAA at various things like Horse Expos and Educational Expositions for promotion with a caviat that they fill out a 1 page application that will be approved on a case by case and with a condition that they give a written report with photos after the event. Rick Brandt added that they applicant must be a member and the horse is registered. Ellen Walker seconded the motion as amended. All were in favor, there was no opposition. Chris Bredeson volunteered to create a form for the website and the newsletter.

George Cooksley motioned that the board approve funding for Jennifer Culliman, who asked for the funding that resulted in the above discussion, and that the funding be granted providing she fulfill the pre-requisites, [Membership in HHAA, horse transferred into her name and fill out the application]. Rick Brandt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The annual meeting for 2009 was discussed and it was determined that the we continue with the Montana site. This was the 2008 meeting site which was cancelled. At this time, the weekend of September 19th,2009 is the suggested date for our meeting and Rick and Sharon Brandt volunteered to host the meeting with George Cooksley's help. Chris Bredeson also will help with all the research from last years meeting planning. All board members were requested to check their calendars and email Rick Brandt with the proposed meeting date by Monday of next week, April 6th, 2009. Ellen Walker would like to go to the printer with the newsletter in the next two weeks and get the date for the meeting included. Rick Brandt's email is henryrick@brandtexcavating.com.

There was a short discussion with George Cooksley about the passing of his parents, Wanda and shortly after, Steve Cooksley. They will be greatly missed. HHAA was very fortunate to have had our 2007 meeting in Nebraska and members were able to visit with Steve and Wanda while we were there.

Ellen Walker asked if George would like to continue with Steve's job of putting labels on the news letters for mailing or if she should look into having it printed somewhere else. George agreed to continue for at least this issue of the newsletter and then it would be discussed. Karen Andraska asked about publishing the newsletter to email and only mail to those members that don't have access. Katherine Nelson also thought it would save time and money. Rick Brandt suggested that we continue as we have been doing and that this should be brought up for discussion at our annual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.
Minutes taken by Karen Andraska