

KWAH Board Meeting
October 28, 2023, 10:00am
Fossil Creek Hotel, Russell, Kansas

President Kelly Forell called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

Roll call was conducted by answering with your favorite Halloween Costume. Those in attendance were Kelly Forell, Shawn Kohr, Renee Nichols, Norleen Knoll, Jason Amlong, Troy Cooley, Jared Scheck, Benton Hrabe, Camisha Stevenson, and Kelli Basgall. Absent were Ken Newberg, Erin Cook, Perry Owens, Garrett Windholz, Heather Vanover, Toma Griffey, Alaura Crockett, and Jarret Riedel. Those arriving late were Matt Park, Jill Kriss, and Colby Kriss. Visitors in attendance were Lucille Benton, Angel Amlong, Skylar Amlong, Tamara Anglin, Sandi Tucker, Gregg Tucker, and Tonya Kohr.

President Kelly Forell asked if there were any changes or additions to the Agenda, Minutes, and Treasurers reports on the Consent Agenda. Renee Nichols requested to add State Show Bids to the Agenda in New Business under Correspondence. Shawn Kohr moved to accept the consent agenda with changes; Camisha Stevenson seconded. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Old business

Committee Reports:

Troy Cooley provided a 75 Years Committee report that banquet had been that the schedule is set, and everything is ready and confirmed.

Norleen Knoll provided at Finance Committee Report

- Benefit Show Profit - \$4693.18
- State Show Silent Auction - \$856
- Made in Kansas Basket - \$250
- Corn Hole Boards - \$1253.34
- Meat Bundle Raffle \$1421.17
- The Silent Auction for Banquet and the 75th Anniversary Buckle Auction would need to be added once the proceeds were accounted for.

Jared Scheck provided the State Show Committee report. Advising that the state show ran great with no issues. The Rice County Survey for the grant received was turned in by President Kelly Forell on the behalf of Walker Wranglers and KWAH. There were 110 contestants entered and some dropped due to medical or veterinarian release. The Super Bucks and Cornhole tournament had a good response.

Camisha Stevenson reported for Perry Owens that Deena Humphrey took the judges test and passed. She will be completing her apprenticeship in the 2024 show year. Heather Vanover turned in her apprenticeship from an April Show, which will be verified.

Benton Hrabe reported for the Scholarship Committee advising he had 7 applicants and 3 winners. Two High School and one continuing education. \$3200 was split between these 3 winners.

Shawn Kohr provided a brief statement for the rules committee on the last communication on heeled equestrian riding shoes. Did not feel that the KWAH BOD needed to be the heeled shoe police but that it might be something to investigate for the rule change year.

Toma Griffey was not present for the Benefit Show report. Kelly Forell advised the forms are available online.

Renee Nichols reported for Alaura Crockett for the Awards Committee. The year end awards have all arrived and will be ready to present at banquet. An awards budget breakdown was provided by Alaura and sent out with the minutes. Added to the awards budget was the printing of the certificates with an estimated amount of \$207. With the donation for a saddle from Enersys and the awarded contingency money of \$1000 the awards committee came in under budget.

Renee Nichols reported for Ken Newberg on points. Advised that Ken and Erin Cook had double checked all numbers. They will be available for the General Meeting if requested. Ken requested that we consider making one entry form for ease of points recording for the combined individual events, Judged and Running. Example form was provided for members to look at. Shawn Kohr moved to combine the individual judged and running events to one form; Troy Cooley seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols gave a Website Committee Report indicating the changes that were occurring and the support that was unavailable currently for the website through Eagle. Renee provided options that were presented by Eagle and one other person which were also on the agenda. There was discussion as to what the course of action would be for the association. Shawn Kohr moved that we take Eagle up on the offer to build a new website free of charge to include all functionality of our current website minus the points system; Norleen seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Benton Hrabe addressed the use of anonymous posts being allowed on Facebook. There was discussion as to how this makes the association look and that only positive information should be on Facebook and that we should not allow anyone to air dirty laundry there. Benton moved that we do not allow anonymous posts on Facebook; Shawn Kohr seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Kelly Forell provided the Nomination Committee report for Garrett Windholz, reading off the list of nominations provided. Jill Kriss asked to be removed from the KWAH Board of Directors nomination list.

New Business:

Correspondence from Alaura Crockett both resigning and rescinding her board position mid-term. Since she rescinded before the effective date of her resignation Alaura will remain as a 1-year board member.

State Show Bids

- Toma Griffey – Bar K Bar Arena, Lyons to be hosted by the KWAH Board of Directors.
- Camisha Stevenson – Bennington Arena to be hosted by the Salina Rowdy Riders.
- Sandi Tucker – Smith Center Arena to be hosted by the SCHR Saddle Club.

There was much discussion as to the locations and what the offers were that benefited the association. A 15-minute recess was taken for everyone to consider the state show. President Kelly Forell called the meeting back to order where a vote by live cast was taken, those voting for Bar K Bar Arena were Shawn Kohr, Matt Park, Jared Scheck, and Benton Hrabe; those voting for Bennington were Camisha Stevenson and Norleen Knoll; those voting for Smith Center were Troy Cooley, Jason Amlong, Kelli Basgall, and Colby Kriss. This left a tie between Smith Center and Lyons that President Kelly Forell had to break. Kelly talked through the challenges and the benefits of both locations and cast her vote for Smith Center. SCHR will be the host for the 2024 KWAH State Show.

Troy Cooley moved good to the order; Shawn Kohr seconded. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Troy Cooley moved to adjourn the meeting; Shawn Kohr seconded. Motion carried with a unanimous vote, Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Renee Nichols
2023 KWAH Secretary

Respectfully Presented
Lynn Sidman
2024 KWAH Secretary

Addendum: *All communications have been documented and saved.*

10.30.23 Heather Vanover Apprenticeship Form is valid and meets the criteria.

10.30.23 Communication Corriente Saddles Concerning 5 Additional Saddle Certificates

10.30.23 Communication from President Kelly Forell to Terra Blackwill and Jill Kriss concerning 5 Additional Saddle Certificates

Additional Responses to this email

10.30.23 Terra Blackwill

10.31.23 Kelly Forell

11.1.23 Garrett Windholz

11.2.23 Garrett Windholz

11.2.23 Matt Park

11.2.23 Kelly Forell

11.2.23 Jill Kriss

11.3.23 Shawn Kohr

11.3.23 Benton Hrabe

11.3.23 Communication KWAH Secretary to Julie Rhea Oakley Range Riders Concerning High Point Saddle Club Trophy

11.6.23 Communication Copeland Insurance Lance Sharp Concerning D&O Policy

11.8.23 Communication Kelly Forell to Rice County for Grant received.

11.8.23 Communication Kelly Forell to Terra Blackwill from phone conversation requesting KWAH annual Report.

11.14.23 Communication Terra Blackwill requesting treasure reports for the year.

Additional Responses to this email

11.14.23 Norleen Knoll

11.14.23 Shawn Kohr

11.16.23 Kelly Forell

11.24.23 Communication Corriente Buckle Company Terra Blackwill wanting to change what is required on the buckle she was awarded.