

KWAH Board Meeting
January 7, 2023, 10:30am
Ellis County Fairgrounds – Hays, Kansas

President Kelly Forell called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

Rollcall was answered, those in attendance were Kelly Forell, Shawn Kohr, Renee Nichols, Norleen Knoll, Erin Cook, Perry Owens, Garrett Windholz, Matt Park, Jason Amlong, Heather Vanover, Troy Cooley, Jared Scheck, Toma Griffey, Camisha Stevenson, Kelli Basgall, Alaura Crockett, Colby Kriss, and Jarret Riedel. Those absent were Benton Hrabec and Ken Newberg. Others in attendance were Tonya Kohr, Jolene Younger, Brian Kuntz, and Jordan Hoesli.

Secretary Renee Nichols read the minutes from October 29, 2022, 9:30am minutes. Perry Owens moved; Troy Cooley seconded to approve minutes with corrections. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer Norleen Knoll provided a KWAH Association treasurer's report of a beginning balance of \$35,450.10 and ending balance of \$36,953.22. Shawn Kohr moved; Perry Owens seconded to accept treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer Norleen Knoll presented the KWAH Scholarship treasurer's report of \$13,345.08; \$6900.00 allocated. Alaura Crockett moved; Troy Cooley seconded to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Old business began with the approval of appointed positions:

Approval of appointed positions including Points Recorder; Ken Newberg, Points Auditor; Erin Cook, and Historian; Renee Nichols. Perry Owens requested that we approve Renee Nichols as Secretary stating the meeting held in October was not an official KWAH Board meeting. Jared Scheck moved; Toma Griffey seconded to approve Renee Nichols as Secretary. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Perry Owens moved; Alaura Crockett seconded to approve Ken Newberg as Points Recorder. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Renee Nichols moved; Colby Kriss seconded, to approve Erin Cook as Points Auditor. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Jared Scheck moved; Alaura Crockett seconded to approve Renee Nichols as Historian. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2022 Rules Committee Chair Kelly Forell, reported that there were two rules that were announced incorrectly at the Fall Banquet in October, #16 and #17. Perry Owens advised that rules #10 and #11 were also announced incorrectly since by-laws request majority to pass. Perry Owens moved; Colby Kriss seconded to approve the rule book with corrections prior to print. Kelly Forell will make the additional changes and forward them to the 2023 Rules Committee for review. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Alaura Crockett moved; Perry Owens seconded, to accept the Rulebook Tracker with corrections presented. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Perry Owens moved; Colby Kriss seconded to order 200 Rulebooks fulfilling the current orders from clubs with 20 extra for the association to sell at a later date. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols presented new Entry Forms, Rule Change Forms, and Show Bid Forms with changes. Discussion was held as to what could be added and changed. Release of Liability Form will also be added and provided to the club secretaries and posted on the web site. Shawn Kohr moved; Alaura Crockett seconded, to approve of all new forms as discussed with changes. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Spring Kickoff schedule was addressed. Shawn Kohr moved; Troy Cooley seconded, KWAH Board Meeting 10:00am; KWAH Judges Test 12:30pm; KWAH Judges Meeting 1:00pm; KWAH Secretaries Meeting 2:00pm; KWAH General Meeting 3:30pm; Souper Bowl to follow the General Meeting; Junior Representatives will hold special activities from 12:30pm-3:30pm. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2023 KWAH Fall Banquet was discussed. New ideas and locations were requested to include activities for youth while adults conduct meetings. The preferred date would be November 4, 2023 with an alternate date of October 28, 2023. Jordan Hoesli will check on prices and date availability at Sky Park in Salina, Kansas. Garrett Windholz will check prices and date availability for Parrot Cove in Garden City. Renee Nichols will check prices and availability at The Fort in Hays. Renee Nichols moved; Colby Kriss seconded that we table the KWAH Fall Banquet until next meeting to allow time to gather information listed above. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Equifest of Kansas was discussed. Norleen Knoll moved; Alaura Crockett seconded, to pay Kansas Horse Council Association fees, and that KWAH have a booth and perform demonstrations at the 2023 Equifest of Kansas. The cost to the association to be no more than \$800. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Renee Nichols will ask for volunteers to perform demonstrations, work in the booth, and help set up the arena through Facebook. KWAH booth layout and schedules will be discussed at the next KWAH Board Meeting.

New Business started with the approval of budgets.

Scholarship budget is one half of the working balance of the scholarship account. Renee Nichols moved; Troy Cooley seconded, \$3200 be the scholarship budget amount for the 2023 KWAH year. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Awards budget was discussed. Shawn Kohr moved; Jarett Riedel seconded, that \$15000 with a \$2000 contingency budget be provided for awards. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Norleen Knoll moved; Colby Kriss seconded, to keep the KWAH Showbill fee at twenty-five dollars per showbill. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2022 Points Recorder, Renee Nichols requested permission to shred the 2022 KWAH season entry forms. Troy Cooley moved; Colby Kriss seconded to approve shredding of the 2022 KWAH show season entry forms. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols informed the board that Show secretaries were submitting a large the number of entries with missing information in addition to incorrect entries for wrong shows. It was discussed that the Points Recorder would follow the rule book and if there were questions on the entries they would be presented to the Board. Secretary Renee Nichols will cover the new entry forms with the club secretaries at the Spring Kickoff and will post instruction documents the website for new members.

Renee Nichols indicated the KWAH Association Memorial Flag was showing some wear and suggested that the Board protect and preserve this handmade flag. Renee provided examples of a digital printed flag and costs. Jared Scheck moved; Colby Kriss seconded, that the association purchase a new association flag and provide an opportunity for member clubs to purchase association flags. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols talked about additional promotions of the association celebrating 75 years. Renee asked for permission to start a TikTok and Instagram account approving Jensen Minor to assist with that. Jarett Riedel moved; Alaura Crockett seconded to create the accounts and allow Jensen Minor to assist. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Kelly Forell brought up the use of a consent agenda during our board meetings and explained what it would do to save time. Alaura Crockett moved; Norleen Knoll seconded, to use a consent agenda. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols requested to add Molly's Custom Silver Logo to our website in order to receive two free buckles. Alaura Crockett moved; Colby Kriss seconded, to add Molly's Custom Silver logo to the website. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Kelly Forell postponed the KWAH board meeting for 45 minutes for the KWAH Committees to meet.

Kelly Forell resumed the KWAH Board of Directors meeting with committee reports.

Toma Griffey; Chair Benefit Show Committee advised Renee Nichols to post on Facebook asking if there are any clubs that would like to host Benefit Show with a deadline of February 10, 2023. Toma said there would be a Potluck Supper and fun activities to follow. The committee will provide more details on events and activities. Toma stated KWAH would host a benefit barrel race the night before. Other activities and money makers will be decided with input from the Finance Committee. Benefit Show bids will be read and voted on at the next KWAH Board meeting. Crazy K at Bennington has provided a Benefit Show bid.

Jared Scheck; Chair State Show Committee provided list of events for the 2023 State Show. Judged Events Western Lead Line (1-5), Walk Trot Horsemanship (1-7), Horsemanship (All Junior Age Groups), Western Pleasure (All Adult Age Groups). Individual Speed events for all age groups; Keg Race, Pole Bending, Key Race, Half 8 Race, Flag Race, Speed Barrels, Figure 8 Stake Race, Polo Turn, Barrel & Stake Graduated, Barrel and Stake Race, and Cloverleaf Race. Team events to include Saddle and Rescue and Relay Race. The committee will discuss finalize the order of events, work with Walker Wranglers on collecting money for stalls and electric, discuss

with the Judges committee the state show judges and the points recorder for clubs attending the State Show. The committee will work on special activities and with the Finance Committee on fund raising activities.

Troy Cooley; Chair 75th Year Anniversary Committee discussed having corn hole boards made for 75th Year to auction off at the Benefit Show. There was additional discussion 75th year buckles, a 75th year flag made to be auctioned at the end of the year, a quote for an awning and possible used at the Booth at Equifest. Other ideas would be discussed and presented at the next KWAH Board meeting.

Norleen Knoll; Chair of the Finance Committee presented a Equifest Kansas Snack Pack of anything made in Kansas by small business that is not perishable to be raffled off during Equifest. Bring any items for donation to the basket to Spring Kickoff. Heads or Tails for Juniors and Adults will be held at one of the functions. Benefit Show will have a Live Auction and a Triathlon (details to follow) will be held and coordinated with the Benefit Show committee. State show will have the silent auction and a raffle. The year-end banquet will have Club Baskets and Quarter-mania.

Shawn Kohr; Chair of the Rules Committee presented 7 Rule Corrections for the Board to vote on. These corrections require a 2/3rd majority vote as per KWAH Bylaw, Chapter II, Article XII, Section II. Board Members voting are: Shawn Kohr, Jason Amlong, Alaura Crocket, Colby Kriss, Kelli Basgall, Garrett Windholz, Jared Scheck, Jarret Riedel, Heather Vanover, Camisha Stevenson, Troy Cooley, Norleen Knoll. Twelve voting members were present requiring 8 votes to pass.

1. Page 6, Chapter II, Article III Officers, Section V – Remove Discrepancy on Junior Reps Chapter II Article III Section V. The Board of Directors shall consist of Vice-President, the Advisor, Treasurer, two Jr. Representatives (14-18) and twelve members elected by the voting body, to be chosen from the various communities of the State to the end, that the Board may be representatives of the State as a whole. The Board of Directors, who shall meet as often as deemed necessary, shall manage the business, activities and property of the association. Meetings other than the annual meeting may be called at any time by the President, executive committee, or on written request of a majority of the Board of Directors. Due to death or resignation of both President and Vice-President the Board of Directors may elect a new President out of the existing Board of Directors.

Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.

2. Page 14, Chapter III, Section AA – Remove conflict from rule #25 passed 10.29.22 Junior Reining

The Juniors will be divided into the following age groups: 1 to 9 inclusive; 10 to 13 inclusive; 14 to 17 inclusive. In the following events: Junior Queen, Junior Hay Race, Junior Bareback Horsemanship, Junior 220 and 440 races, the age groups shall be 17 years and under.

Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.

3. Page 20, Chapter IV, Section I, Letter F – Duplicates the age groups on Chapter III Section AA. No need for duplication.
Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.
4. Page 20, Chapter IV, Section I, Letter G - Age Group will run 1-9 Reining Patterns provided in Rule Book. Patterns labeled according to layout of rulebook and text is digital print.
Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.
5. Page 23, Chapter IV, Section Reining Class, Pattern 3 – Clarify the Pattern Not to Scale and Defined Wording for pattern instructions.
Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.
6. Page 51, Chapter VI, Section VII, Letter A – Align text with rule change #17 passed 10.29.2022
To compete at KWHA State Show, a contestant must have accumulated a total of a minimum of 4 points or competed in an event 4 times as a unit of rider and saddle club from member shows throughout the year for each event entered. These entries will be made on valid KWHA entry forms and sent along with a check to the Points Recorder by the Saddle Club Secretary.
Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.
7. Page 51, Chapter VI, Section VII, Letter B – Remove conflict with rule change #17 passed 10.29.2022
Delete, no need for release for horse.
Passed unanimously by a vote of 12 Yes 0 No.

The Awards, Scholarship, Judges, Nominations, and Web Social Media Committees did not meet during this meeting due to time constraints. Kelly did report that there are 40 ribbons from the 2022 KWHA state show that can be used – 1st – 4th place and suggested reinstating the Hi-Point Club Traveling Trophy, Possible Horse and Rider or Best Horse awards.

D&O Liability insurance was addressed. The association has gone 74 years without it. Shawn Kohr agreed to research it further.

Renee Nichols read the application for a new club in Hays, Kansas “Triple 8 Saddle Club”. Jared Scheck moved; Colby Kriss seconded, Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Shawn Kohr brought up NSCA membership and dues. Renee Nichols moved; Colby Kriss seconded, to pay NSCA dues Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The next scheduled meeting will be February 18, 2023, 10:00am, Fossil Creek, Russel Kansas.

Alaura Crockett moved; Colby Kriss seconded, meeting is good to the order, Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Renee Nichols moved; Norleen Knoll seconded, meeting adjourned, Motion carried with a unanimous vote.