

# FALL BANQUET 11/1/25

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**2:00 PM / FOSSIL CREEK INN & SUITES / RUSSELL, KS**

President Jared Scheck called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.

## ATTENDEES

23 clubs present, 43 votes available. 28 is two-thirds majority; 22 is the majority.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Secretary Lynn Sidman read the minutes from the March 1, 2025, Spring Kickoff general meeting.**

- Brian Kuntz moved to approve the minutes; Mischell Sauer seconded.  
Motion carried.

**Treasurer Norleen Knoll presented the starting balance of the general association account to be \$40,904.76, with an ending balance of \$42,706.77.**

- Howard Sauer moved to approve the treasurer's general association account report; Jensen Miner seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Norleen Knoll presented the starting balance of the scholarship fund to be \$14,956.02. The ending balance is \$17,492.39 with \$6,650 of those funds allocated to scholarships yet to be paid.**

- Mischell Sauer moved to approve the treasurer's scholarship fund report; Mark Riley seconded. Motion carried.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM PERSONS NOT ON THE AGENDA

## OLD BUSINESS

1. **2026 State Show:** The 2025 Board of Directors voted that the 2026 State Show will be held on September 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at the Bar K Bar Arena in Lyons, KS, hosted by the BOD.

## NEW BUSINESS

**1. Elections:** The nominations committee presented Brian Kuntz as the only nomination for president. Norleen Knoll moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Brian Kuntz for president; Glenda Ratliff seconded. Motion passed. For vice president, there were 3 floor nominations: Camisha Stevenson, Tamara Anglin, and Mark Riley. Mark Riley as voted as the 2026 Vice President. The nominations committee presented Norleen Knoll for Treasurer. There were no floor nominations. Skylar Amlong moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Norleen Knoll as Treasurer; Mark Riley seconded. Motion passed. The nominations committee presented Adrienne Lobmeyer for Board of Directors. Floor nominations included Spud Richardson, Kevin Solofra, Shannon Pettijohn, Darcy Settrini, Jesse Hattenbach, Glenda Ratliff, Alana Rohrer, Jason Amlong, Jeff Boeger, TallyAnn Klitzke, and Tamara Anglin. The following people will serve a 2-year term on the Board of Directors: Spud Richardson, Kevin Solofra, Glenda Ratliff, Jason Amlong, TallyAnn Klitzke, and Adrienne Lobmeyer. The nominations committee presented Skylar Amlong as a Junior Representative. Floor nominations were Jeffry Smith, Jordan Cameron, and Aiden Lobmeyer. Glenda Ratliff moved to cease nominations; Angel Amlong seconded. Jordan Cameron and Aiden Lobmeyer are the 2026 Junior Representatives.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Web/Social Media:** Lynn Sidman reported for committee chair Renee Nichols that the website ran with very few hiccups this year and that it is ready to be passed on to the next website administrator for the 2026 season. If you would like pictures featured on the website, email [kwhawebsite@gmail.com](mailto:kwhawebsite@gmail.com). If there are any suggestions, email or use the Contact Us button on the website. The social media accounts are running

smoothly, especially after further outlining the Facebook rules. This greatly lessened the spamming and negativity. Thank you to the committee for the work they put in creating quality posts and updating the KWHA membership.

- 2. Finance:** Norleen Knoll announced that there will be club baskets for silent auction during the banquet. Bidding will be cut off right before the high point awards. Since so many people brought items for Quartermania, Norleen will begin selling paddles at 4 pm, so we can start promptly at 5.
- 3. Special Events:** Norleen Knoll reported for Renee Nichols that they had a successful year. Their contributions included the Fort Hays rodeo team teaching during Spring Kickoff, a couple of buckles and team wins during Equifest, the Benefit Trail Ride, and Fall Banquet. Thank you to the members of the Special Events committee for their work in planning and organizing these fun and enjoyable events. Upcoming events to raise awareness of KWHA for the rest of year include the Lawrence Old Fashioned Christmas Parade (Dec. 6), Hays Frost Fest (Dec. 7, Theme "Timeless Traditions"), Great Bend Christmas Parade (Nov. 29, Theme "Holiday Movie Madness"), Hutchinson (Dec. 6, Theme "Light Up Hutch"), Salina Downtown Parade of Lights (Nov. 22), Stockton Old Fashioned Christmas Parade (Nov. 28), Russell Lighted Parade (Nov. 29), and Equifest of Kansas (Jan. 23-25 in Topeka).
- 4. State show:** Mark Riley reported the successes of state show and how thankful we were to have dry arena conditions.
- 5. Scholarship & scholarship show:** Cameryn Kinderknecht said there will be 4 scholarships awarded later at the banquet.
- 6. Benefit show:** Howard Sauer reported that Benefit Show was a success due to the quick backup plan implemented by some board members. President Jared Scheck asked that if a club submits a show bid to have a backup plan ready to go as well.
- 7. Rules:** Camisha Stevenson reminded the association that next year is a rule change year. Please make notes on changes you'd like to make and submit those by August 1<sup>st</sup>. The rule change forms are available on the website.

- 8. Awards:** Jaiden Perales reported that the committee came in under budget for both state show and year-end awards. She thanked her committee for their help and input.
- 9. Points:** Kevin Solofra reported that points have been tabulated and audited and that certificates are completed and ready to be awarded.
- 10. Judges:** Ian Smith passed his judges test today and will be completing his apprenticeship this show season.
- 11. Nominations:** Jared Scheck commented that the committee had a difficult time finding volunteers for the board.

## GOOD TO THE ORDER

President Jared Scheck thanked the current board of directors for their time and energy this season. He praised them for their leadership under some stressful times.

Brian Kuntz reminded everyone that a person doesn't need to be on the board to serve on a committee and that he would welcome others. The new board of directors will meet directly after the adjournment of this one.

Norleen Knoll asked the association for this year to be one of change – to be kind, to be respectful, to be responsible, and to be remarkable.

Howard Sauer moved to adjourn the meeting; Jensen Miner seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 3:28 pm.

Submitted by:

*Lynn Sidman*

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2025 KWAH State Secretary