

Southern Ohio Quarter Horse Association Meeting

Highlights from the February 9, 2011 Meeting at Max & Erma's Wilmington, OH

Present: Bill Barney, Janice Barney, Matt Claypook, Kara Colvin, Gail Cotterman, Chris Craft Sr., Janet Ferguson, Kelly Flora, Megan McCulloch, Connie Menker, Dave Miller, Marilyn Miller, Jennifer Paul, Judd Paul, Lisa Perry, Lorri Pritchard, Kevin Smith, Libby Trucco, Allison Walker, Lora Walker, Jamie Watson.

Excused: Jeff Badgley, Chris Craft Jr., Dianne Craft, Melissa Craft

Guests: Jordan Ferguson, Kelsey Horton (both for scholarships)

Secretary's Report: Correction to be made to report for 1-13-11 meeting: Libby Trucco's name was accidentally omitted from "excused" for attendance.

Youth: The Youth Meeting for March has been moved from the end of the Saturday show at Winter Circuit to 3/26/11. The youth will be raffling off a stall for every SOQHA show at the Winter Circuit. At the Youth Show in April, they will hold a pancake breakfast on Saturday, coffee and donuts on Sunday. Donations gladly accepted in the form of food for funds. They discussed opening up the SOQHA boundaries and making SOQHYA points and NYATT available to **all SOQHYA members who reside in Ohio.**

Fees for the Youth Show in April include:

- \$200 all inclusive fee for office, entries, drug testing, equipment, etc. **Does Not Include:** stall, shavings, camping fees
- Vendor fees will be \$30 per weekend plus a donation of a \$25 gift card
- Shavings will be \$7 per bag

Executive Committee: Jeff Badgley will be the chairman. The committee decided to go ahead and move forward with approving OQHA Futurity classes as proposed to SOQHA. This means there will be 3 parts to the SOQHA Futurity; Breeders Futurity, OQHA Incentive Fund Futurity, and SOQHA Futurity. The OQHA Incentive Fund Futurity will;

- Combine Jr. & Sr. Colts into one class
- Combine Jr. & Sr. Fillies into one class
- Eliminate Non-Pro classes for halter and have ONLY Open cases in halter
- Keep Non-Pro classes for other futurity classes
- This will add a total of 4 additional classes to the SOQHA Futurity show schedule

The committee also finalized a contract with Roberts' Arena for the Youth Show in April to be held there for the 3 years. The heating systems are already being installed in the barns as planned.

Kevin Smith reported that Champions' Center in Springfield is working on the footing and heating system for the complex.

Without a volunteer to handle membership, the committee assigned the duties of membership to Executive Secretary Lisa Perry.

Membership: Members names will NOT be posted on the SOQHA website as suggested at last month's meeting. Since Lisa Perry is handling membership, she is at every SOQHA show and will collect any new memberships. Any questions should be directed to her.

Points: Lora Walker and IT specialist Sheri Kellogg are going to handle points this year. They are going to format a database program to help ease the process of calculating and maintaining accurate points. They will work together with Lisa Perry and the office staff at the shows to gather the proper information for the points.

Banquet: Connie Menker suggested that the youth should get a party, receive their awards and have a fun time even though the regular Awards Banquet is not being held. A discussion was held on her suggestion.

New Business: Marie Smith the wife of Honorary Member Wayne Smith passed away on February 3, 2011 after a lengthy battle with cancer. SOQHA made a donation to Wayne's 4-H Club in her memory and the directors at the meeting signed a card for Wayne and his family.