

VCHA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Minutes of March 2010 Board Meeting

The March board meeting was held on Wednesday March 3, 2010; at Marie Calendars, in Santa Rosa, CA.

The meeting was called to order by President Wanda Smith at 6:35 pm; board members present were Chris Brown, Brandis Langston, Alicia Massey, Stacey Powers, Wanda Smith, Sally Spaulding, Judy Tamagni, & Monica Vanoni.

Absent was Nina Van Sweden. No guests or members were present.

Consent Calendar Items: Minutes of the February 2010 board meeting were approved as read.

Judy reported she provided the CPA, the names & addresses of the new officers. Sally stated Crestas' are seeking to obtain the signed Lease agreement.

Bills to be paid totaled \$1,417.44: Consisting of office supplies, show computer purchase & show expenses of \$277.44, liability insurance w/two additional insures' of \$1,040.00 & memorial donations of \$100.00; Revenue received was membership dues of \$542.00 & a sponsor of \$50.00, resulting in an ending bank balance of 13,594.88. Both the bills to be paid & treasurer's report were approved.

Administration Items: Wanda reported she picked up the historical documents from Nina. Together with Chris and Judy, they will review and determine what should remain as permanent records; Sally suggested this committee return to the board, itemizing their review, in order for the board to agree & is aware of what is being retained & destroyed; If there are photos, Wanda stated she would scan. Monica will also seek her Grandma's advice as to important items to archive. Sally stated it would be nice if the old photos be placed on our website.

Standing Committee Reports:

Show Committee: Sally recapped the committee members being Chris, Brandis & herself. Sally spoke with Mark Cresta. Mark stated the parking will not be a problem this year. The lot has been rocked and he wishes to train someone within the club to assist with the parking.

Board & committee discussed & formalized the details as to rain, minimum order of cattle, the possibilities of the judge's stand, use of another truck, panels, cattle, lunch, etc for the March 20th show.

Sally announced the following judges for our mini series as follows;

March; Jack Adams
April; Alex Long
May; Brad Skover
June; Debbie McGregor
July; Stan Fonsen
August; Mike Bakey

Chris was unsuccessful in locating historical cattle contracts. The committee will work on perfecting a cattle contract for 2010.

Outstanding Item: This is to verify the email voting results to approve the purchase of Myla Holmes' computer for \$150.00. This computer has the club's historical show records. Judy stated she also has a laptop computer, which originally was donated by Nina Van Sweden to be used as a back up, if the need arises.

Membership: Judy reported to-date membership renewals are minimal. Sally requested & Judy confirmed, she will provide Sally with a current membership list by our first show (3/20) Judy will finalize membership roster the Friday prior & provide Sally a copy.

Recruiting: Wanda asked for membership recruiting ideas; the suggestions were, email other club's, Chris stated he has the current NCHA membership book, to review active cutters; the universal cutting calendar, focus on promoting the Club's history (photos on club's website) general membership to advocate & encourage others to join.

Plays/practice: Nina emailed board, stating she is researching possible locations.

By-Laws: There has been no response via our Website from the general membership as to any recommendations or changes to the current By-laws; therefore Wanda requested the board review By-laws, & brings our recommendations to the next board meeting.

Media: Board discussed at length the Website and various possibilities as to news & other items to be placed on our site, i.e. a "news blast", archived photos, etc.

Banquet: Monica & Alicia – nothing to report at this time; but confirmed the board is looking at dates some time in late October or early November. Board concurred.

Budget review: nothing at this time; however, this will be an ongoing agenda item, especially after each show's revenue & expense report is provided.

Awards: Nothing at this time; Chris stated he was approached by a generous member, Jesse Gladman. Jesse wishes to donate a Non-Pro Trophy saddle for this year's mini series. The board was very excited and all agreed the announcement of this generous donation news needed to get out to the general membership as quickly as possible.

Sponsors: Nina – absent; Stacey stated she would assist in this area. Wanda recommended the 2009 sponsors be removed from the newsletter & website at this point. Discussion about sponsor banners in the arena, & business cards & advertisements in the newsletter was also discussed.

Other business: Discussion on rules as to proper show attire, loping etiquette, hats, and when sanctioned too windy by show committee, etc. should be governed by NCHA rules; It was recommended this information be posted on our website.

Items to cover at April's Board Meeting: Archiving Club records & various documents, cattle contract, reports on the various committees, & By-laws revision.

Being no further business, President Wanda Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.