

# AMERICAN SADDLEBRED REGISTRY, INC.

## Board of Directors Meeting

### By Teleconference

Friday, February 27, 2009

11:00 a.m. Eastern Time

## MINUTES

[As Approved, March 24, 2009]

**Members Present:** Mary Anne Cronan, Lisa Duncan, Louise Gilliland, Charles R. Herbert, Jr., Dr. Margaret McNeese, Barbara Molland, Brian Reimer, Jimmy Robertson, Robert Ruxer, Judith Werner, Art Zubrod.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Others Present:** Counsel Jeff Streepey, Registrar Alan Balch.

### I. Quorum/Roll Call/Agenda/Notice

Mr. Balch called the roll, and reported to Mrs. Werner, the president of the 2008 Registry board, that a quorum was present. Ms. Duncan participated in the call with Mr. Balch from his office at the Registry.

In the absence of newly-elected officers, Mrs. Werner asked Mr. Balch to chair the meeting at the outset.

### II. Nomination and Election of Officers

Mr. Balch called for nominations for the office of president. *Mr. Robertson moved the nomination of Barbara Molland, and Ms. Cronan seconded. Mr. Balch called for additional nominations and, hearing none, a motion was made, seconded, and carried that the nominations be closed; whereupon Mrs. Molland was elected president by unanimous vote.*

Mr. Balch suggested that Mrs. Molland assume the chair, and she asked him to remain in the chair for the remainder of the election process.

*For the office of vice president, Mr. Zubrod moved the nomination of Lisa Duncan, and Ms. Cronan seconded the motion. There being no further nominations, the nominations were duly closed; whereupon Ms. Duncan was elected vice president unanimously.*

*For the office of secretary, the nomination of Dr. Margaret McNeese was moved by Mr. Ruxer and seconded by Ms. Molland. With no further nominations forthcoming, the nominations were duly closed; whereupon Dr. McNeese was unanimously elected secretary.*

*For the office of treasurer, the nomination of Jimmy Robertson was moved by Mr. Herbert and seconded by Ms. Cronan. No further nominations were forthcoming, the nominations were duly closed, and Mr. Robertson was unanimously elected.*

### **III. Other Business**

Mr. Balch reported that staff has prepared several recommendations for adjustments in fees, and that a meeting with proper materials provided in advance to all directors should be held in the near future to address these matters. They relate mainly to parentage identification, and in particular to charges for blood-typing where costs to the Registry now exceed the fees charged. In addition, members are increasingly requesting Registry staff to search for the identity of unidentified horses, and these searches are costly for staff to undertake; an appropriate fee schedule needs to be developed, in staff's opinion.

In addition, Mr. Balch noted that Ms. Duncan had been visiting and working with staff on the identification matters described at the board meetings in Lexington in mid-February. Ms. Duncan described the process she was undertaking and was optimistic about making additional progress, in conjunction with staff.

Mr. Balch further reported that operations in the Registry were moving forward smoothly, and backlogs in routine processing were being reduced promptly.

President Molland urged the directors to notify staff of their availability for another meeting by approximately mid-March, if possible. Mr. Balch advised that staff would be in touch with directors with updated rosters for their review.

### **IV. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. upon the consent of all attendees.

Submitted by:

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Alan F. Balch, Registrar