



**AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

December 8, 2014

A telephonic meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Saddlebred Horse Association (the “Executive Committee”) was held on Monday, December 8, 2014, commencing at 5:30 p.m. EST. The following ASHA Executive Committee members were in attendance at this meeting: Betsy Boone; Bob Funkhouser; Holly Nichols; Tandy Patrick; and David Rudder. EC member Jackie Hale was out of the country and not able to participate. Also present and welcome were ASHA Board members Redd Crabtree, Stacey Kipper-Perrelli, David Mount, Leslie Rainbolt-Forbes, Susan Shepherd, and Matt Shiflet. Also present by invitation was Bill Whitley, the ASHA’s Executive Director, and Lisa Duncan, the Registrar of the ASR.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

1. MINUTES. Upon Motion made by Bob Funkhouser and seconded by Betsy Boone, the Minutes of the September 8, 2014 Executive Committee meeting were unanimously approved.

2. REGISTRY REPORT. Registrar Lisa Duncan did not have updated numbers due to the computer/technology upgrade project which is underway. Lisa noted that the Registry is processing 159 transfers from the Robertson Sale. She also reported that the next Registry Board meeting would be on Saturday, February 14, 2015, in Lexington.

3. PRESIDENT’S REPORT. Tandy encouraged board members to submit their ballot to vote for 2014 Year-End Awards, which will be presented at the ASHA Luncheon held at the UPHA Convention in Savannah on Saturday, January 17th. She presented a request from the USEF regarding an application to transfer control of the Monterey (CA) Springfest Horse Show from the Foundation of the American Show Horse to the Northern California ASHA. Upon Motion made by Bob Funkhouser and seconded by Betsy Boone, the group unanimously voted in support of this application.

Tandy also invited any board members who are interested to attend the ASHA staff Christmas lunch on Friday, December 19th, at Spindletop in Lexington.

4. ELECTION RESULTS. Bob Funkhouser, Chair of the Nominating Committee for Directors, announced that the following seven individuals have been elected by the ASHA membership to the ASHA Board: Allen Bosworth, Sandra Currier, Elisabeth Goth, Donna Pettry Smith, David Rudder, Jenny Taylor, and Kenny Wheeler. Participation was up from prior years; Bill Whitley shared statistics with the group, that 20.8% of eligible voters submitted ballots, 61.4% of which were by paper ballot and 38.6% of which were by online voting. The group discussed

the need to encourage online voting in future years. The new board members will be installed at the second ASHA board meeting in Savannah on Saturday afternoon, January 17th.

5. NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICERS REPORT. Chair David Rudder reported that this Committee will meet later this week to begin its deliberations on a slate of officers and Executive Committee nominees for 2015, as well as two ASHA seats on the Registry Board. The slate will be presented to the full Board for consideration at the January 17th board meeting.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT. Bill Whitley gave a brief report after his first week on the job; one of our top priorities is to hire a controller/financial person, who will take over the duties currently being performed on an 'outsourcing' basis by David Harris.

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