

Board of Directors Meeting

March 10, 2015 - Landry's Restaurant – Henderson, La.

Red Benoit spoke prior to the meeting for a few minutes about the Region 9. All of the states involved voted to divide the remaining money evenly. We should receive approximately \$2800.

Vice President Greg Wheat called the meeting to order. Absent: *Rawhide Blackwell, Carton Leger, Jessie Collins and Jackie Collins.*

Nita made a motion to accept the minutes. Sally second that with a revision on the Sponsorship Committee: It should read Sally, Nita and Gilbert. Motion carried.

The Finance Committee approved the financials. Chele made a motion to accept the financials. 2nd by Red. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the banquet. Everyone said that they had a good time and that it looked like the members did too. Greg suggested that we return there again next year. Eileen said that we would have to move the date back because of the Sugar Bowl. Greg thought that we should have a bartender in the room to keep members in the room instead of going to the bar. Eileen put that into a motion. 2nd by Bill. Motion carried. Andrea will check with the hotel on available dates.

Greg supplied everyone with an approximate budget for the Crawfish Classic of \$13,570. That will change depending on air fares.

The Spooktacular Weekend was discussed. Pat Kress will act as Secretary. Greg declined the Show Manager position, but said that we could hire Ethan Lee to work the gate, etc. and Greg will assist. Sue made a motion to do a 2 judge, split combined format. 2nd by Sally. Motion carried.

Sally said that another show offered a free stall for show workers. There was some discussion, but no motions were made to do this.

At the last board meeting we decided to put new tires and rims on the old trailer. When Red saw Bobby Lewis at the Dixie National he asked what the cost on a new trailer would be. Bobby said that a new trailer that could hold all our

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equipment would be about \$7000. Sue made a motion to buy a new trailer. 2nd by Gay. Motion carried.

The Sponsorship Committee put together a package for the Crawfish Classic for a \$100, \$200 and \$300. Lance made a motion to accept the package that the committee recommended. 2nd by Eileen. Motion carried.

Nita spoke with Mike Millazo from La. Equine Magazine to give us a \$795 ad for \$499 plus a \$300 comp sponsor package. Nita made a motion to do this. 2nd by Bill. Motion carried.

Lance said that we should have a committee to put together a work schedule for the Crawfish Classic. Greg said that he would out a schedule together and email it to everyone.

Jessie Collins emailed her proposal for an Amateur Clinic to Sue Schneider who presented it for her. Since the Amateur Halter raffle brought in over \$900 could the board matches the funds so they could hire a good clinician. She had made some inquiries about dates and cost. Red made a motion to give the amateurs matching funds. 2nd by Gay. Motion carried. Greg said that maybe we could hold the clinic the Friday before our October show. Chele suggested calling Kyle Smith Simmons at 502-472-7233 as she might be cheaper.

Jackie Collins wanted to know if the youth could do the ice cream social at the May show, same as last year. Everyone thought that would be a good idea. JoAnn made a motion to give the youth the funds. 2nd by Nita. Motion carried.

There was some discussion on whether we needed to change our by-laws concerning the election of directors and also absents from meetings. Nothing was put into a motion. Gay Jourdan said that everyone should know our By-Laws and that we should follow all of them.

Greg told the board that Sue Schneider was rude to someone when trying to collect a refund and even though she apologized everyone needed to know.