

Arabian & Half Arabian Club of Oregon, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
August 5, 2003

President Chris Bickford at the home of Chris and Sonya Bickford called the meeting to order at 7:55 pm. Board members present were; Chris Bickford, Sonya Bickford, Karen Pitassi, Gretchen Halvorson, Lori Sage, Sue Foley, Dolly Muhle, Cheryl Deahn, Sydney Allen and Kelly Comm. Youth club member Brooke Pitassi was a welcome guest. Excused from the meeting was Judi Booth. Minutes from the June 10, 2003 meeting were approved as printed.

- **Treasurer's Report:** No new news.
- **Open Show:** Discussion on whether to have the show be OHA approved or not. If approved as an OHA show, we could not continue the show as a schooling show. The motion was made to keep the show as a schooling show and not be OHA approved, motion seconded. Motion passed. We will continue this show as a schooling show. Chris Bickford will announce the show.
- **Annual Show: May 13-16, 2004** dates for next years show. We have hired the judge who is Chris Culbreth. The show will run for four days – Thursday thru Sunday. Academy will be on Saturday. There was discussion on expanding the limited amateur classes and possibly increase fees to cover the expanded facilities charges. We will be keeping the same jacket style for a while. Discussion on adding Dressage classes to the show, we have been approached to do this. We will have the Dressage requestors submit a budget and we will be happy to take a look at it for consideration. Any suggestions for making the show better will be appreciated.
- We still have jacket money due to the club from this years show. If you owe jacket money please submit your payment as soon as possible. Board members will collect from those sponsors that they recruited.
- **Membership:** We have 131 members as of July 1, 2003. Check out the AHACO web site. Remember, you can join IAHA by going through our AHACO web site.
- **High Point:** Sydney is going to do a summary of all turned in member's points. This will enable members to quickly see how many points they have and in what disciplines. Great idea Sydney!
- **Convention:** In Milwaukee, WI from December 2 thru December 6, 2003. Delegates are ready to go. Lori Sage presented the budget for the convention to the board members. Motion made to approve the budget as printed. Motion was seconded. Motion passed. Delegates to contact Sonya for airfare details and questions.
- **Newsletter:** It looks great! Keep up the good work, Karen! The feature article question list was given to Karen.
- **Charities:** Motion made to donate \$500.00 to the Christie School riding program. Motion seconded. Motion Passed. We are going to donate into the Christie School Riding program located in the Beaver Lake area.
- **New news:** There is a new facility being constructed in Wilsonville (where the country classic is held). This might be a great place for some shows.
- Motion made to buy board members and Lori Sage denim shirts with the club logo embroidered on them. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
- Gretchen Halvorsen is relocating to central Oregon. We are sorry to see her go and we will miss her! Motion made to have Lori Sage replace Gretchen on the board. Motion seconded. Motion passed.
- Discussion on a high point award program for Arabians to simulate interest to show in Class A shows, but still be eligible for regional shows.
- **Mini-Convention:** We are looking at March 2004, but need to pick an exact date. We discussed many ideas for presentations. If you have an idea that you feel would be of interest please contact any of the board members.
- **Next Meeting: September 9, 2003** at the home of Chris and Sonya Bickford.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.
Kelly Comm, Secretary