

*North American Shagya-Arabian Society (NASS) Executive Annual Members Meeting
August 9, 2017
6:30 p.m. Pacific Time*

Meeting Minutes

An incorrect phone number for accessing the meeting was sent to the membership. As soon as this was noted, an immediate follow up email with the correct phone number was sent to all NASS members. Consequently, members joined the phone meeting as it progressed.

The meeting was called to order by President Arlene Michaud at 6:45 p.m. Present were Joan Clark, Elaine Kerrigan, Arlene Michaud, Candace Phillips, Melissa Rodewald and Beverly Thompson.

Election of Officers (Arlene Michaud)

As no new nominations were presented, it was moved (Elaine Kerrigan) and seconded (Candace Phillips) to retain the current officers for one year.

President: Arlene Michaud

Vice President: Susan Keil

Treasurer/Secretary: Beverly Thompson

Election Results (Elaine Kerrigan)

Elaine reported that the following were elected by a vote of the general membership:

Northwest Region Regional Director: Keiko Foss (1 year term)

Board of Directors at Large: Jamie Bratt, Potato Richardson (1 year term each)

Treasurer's and Membership Report (Beverly Thompson)

Treasurer's report and membership report were submitted by Beverly Thompson. See attachment to these minutes for details.

There was discussion about the fee for lifetime foreign membership. A motion was made (Joan Clark) and seconded (Elaine Kerrigan) that a foreign stallion owner wishing a limited membership for the purposes of registering foals only can do so for a lifetime fee of \$75. President Arlene Michaud will send an email to the membership outlining this amendment.

Additionally, it was moved (Elaine Kerrigan) and seconded (Joan Clark) to extend the sending of the NASS newsletter to the Cal Poly library for record purposes indefinitely, and to member Sarah Payne through the end of 2017.

Registrar's Report (Elaine Kerrigan)

A summary report was submitted by Elaine Kerrigan. See attachment to these minutes for details.

Regional Directors Reports

None given

NASS Performance Awards (Joan Clark)

The performance award scores for 2016 have been calculated, with the following champion awards:

Sport Horse in Hand

KB Thor Fahim (owned and shown by Elaine Kerrigan)

Dressage

Hungarian Moonglow (owned and ridden by Lorraine Heath)

Endurance

Salome' (owned and ridden by Hannah Summers)

Meritorious Dam

**Thassia (bred by Carin Weiss, owned by Elaine Kerrigan)*

Plaques will be ordered. It was mentioned that there were fewer participants in this program than in previous years.

There was also discussion about a request from the recently formed Equine Distance Riding Association (EDRA) to be recognized by the NASS Performance Awards program next year. Joan Clark will research and make a recommendation to the board at a subsequent meeting.

Website (Hallie Goetz)

The website continues to be updated on a regular basis, particularly the pages devoted to awards, calendar, newsletter and sale horses. There has been an addition of a Shagya-Arabian specific blog by Jamie Bratt, which can also be found on the website.

ISG

Adele Furby (ISG liaison) was not present, but there was discussion about paying ISG dues in full, then asking for donation from ISG for advertising in the upcoming inspection issue. It was moved (Elaine Kerrigan) and seconded (Joan Clark) that current ISG dues be paid immediately. Details can be found in an upcoming email from President Arlene Michaud.

Newsletter (Melissa Rodewald)

There was a motion (Elaine Kerrigan) and a second (Candace Phillips) to have NASS take over funding of the newsletter. The newsletter editor has been donating printing and postage costs during the transition from electronic to a hardcopy format.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, Pacific time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Rodewald