

American Hackney Horse Society – 2020 Board of Directors Meeting
March 5, 2021 6:00 PM EST – Zoom

Meeting Minutes

- I. **Call to order AHHS BOD Meeting: Maureen Quackenbush, President**

- II. **Roll Call – Bryan Earehart Recording Secretary**
Members Present: Bryan Earehart, Andy Freseth, Randy Harper, Ricky Harris, Rodney Hicks, Matt Lightner, Tom Lowry, Bo Lucas, Toni Nastali, Carl Nichols, Chris Schubert, Melissa Moore, Holly Nichols, Karen Waldron, Anna Marie Knipp

- III. **President’s Report:** Maureen Quackenbush, President
 1. State Line Tack sponsorship
 2. Secure Website AHHS is working on making the website a secure ssl platform. The. Website will be a secure ssl platform later in the year, making the website able to be an online store, we will be able to sell products, raffle tickets etc. on the AHHS website.
 3. National Select Series ASHA approved allowing the Hackney Pony Pleasure Driving as well as Open Roadster Pony into the National Select Series. ASHA is finishing out a Sponsorship with State Line Tack.
 4. UPHA Grant of \$2500 was received on February 26th
 5. The 2022 UPHA Convention will be held at the Renaissance Orlando Hotel on January 4-8th
 6. Amateur Challenge Futurity fundraiser went live at 5:00 pm March 5 with 17 participants. Minimum bid \$250
 7. Studbook volume 34. New project manager is getting it approved by the editor. We have obtained permission from Janet Hicks to use the Logo in the Book. The studbook is on design.
 8. Long Range Committee has been disbanded
 9. Registry Committee Gentleman with a closed herd of 30 Hackneys have. Not been registered since 1994 1 of his foundation mares are deceased with no DNA on file. The registry committee will be working with this Gentleman to resolve the issues

- IV. **Election Of Officers**
 - i. Rodney Hicks Nominates Tom Lowry for President, Bo Lucas Seconds, Randy Harper moves to close, Anna Marie Knipp seconds. Tom Lowry: President
 - ii. Bryan Earehart Nominates Andy Freseth for Vice President, Rodney Hicks seconds, Chris Schubert moves to close, Rodney Hicks seconds. Andy Freseth: Vice President
 - iii. Bo Lucas Nominates Toni Nastali for Treasurer, Chris Schubert seconds, Randy Harper moves to close, Andy Freseth seconds. Toni Nastali: Treasurer

- iv. Ricky Harris nominates Bryan Earehart for Secretary, Bo Lucas seconds, Chris Schubert moves to close, Rodney Hicks seconds. Bryan Earehart: Secretary

V. Executive Committee Report - Maureen Quackenbush, Tom Lowry, Toni Nastali

- 1. Taylor Gregory and Maureen Quackenbush had the idea to use Zoom to get the election results together, as well as using it for the upcoming Board meetings and general membership meeting. The subscription cost is \$149.90 for a one year membership. Maureen Quackenbush, Tom Lowry and Toni Nastali approved the expenditure of the Zoom subscription. They also reviewed and approved the Helping Hackneys Relief Fund rules and procedures.

VI. Office Report

Numbers are looking good so far. DNA results for the year end registrations are coming back and being processed as quickly as possible. The office has been a bit behind after bad weather that moved through, but we are almost caught up. For those who only paid the first payment on Futurity sustaining payments; second payment invoices are going out this week and will be due back April 15. I hope to have the Futurity nomination forms mailing out shortly. However, the form has already been updated on the website. Nominations are not due until May 20. All Hackney memberships will be shown on the USEF card as they have for the last few years.

The Executive Committee approved the hiring of Brooke Pulliam. She is settling into the position and is doing very well. Brooke is currently working all day on Mondays and Thursdays.

Membership: 504 Members in 2021 as of March 3, 2021

927 Members in 2020

1036 Members in 2019

1057 Members in 2018

1039 Members in 2017

946 Members in 2016

966 Members in 2015

1014 Members in 2014

989 Members in 2013

988 Members in 2012

Registrations: 42 Registrations in 2021 as of March 3, 2021

286 Registrations in 2020
245 Registrations in 2019

298 Registrations in 2018
400 Registrations in 2017
358 Registrations in 2016
314 Registrations in 2015
295 Registrations in 2014
381 Registrations in 2013

Transfers: 91 Transfers as of March 3, 2021

388 Transfers in 2020

423 Transfers in 2019
350 Transfers in 2018
409 Transfers in 2017

Facebook: Horse Lingo is maintaining the Facebook page with the help of Maureen Quackenbush.

VII. Financial & Treasurer's Report: Toni Nastali

Total Income as of December 2020	\$239,265.74
Total Expense as of December 2020	\$211,793.07
Net Income as of December 2020	\$59,138.16
Total Liabilities & Equity as of December 2020	\$793,727.39

VIII. Committee Reports and Discussion

Annual Awards: Brooke Jacobs, Chair, Bo Lucas, Kathy Barlow

Nominations May 1st

Audit Committee: Junior Schut, Chair, Anna Marie Knipp

No Report.

Budget Committee: Toni Nastali, Chair, Junior Schut

No Report.

By-Laws: Toni Nastali, Chair, Courtney Cahill

No Report.

Convention/UPHA Liaison: Maureen Quackenbush, Chair, Andy Freseth

No Report.

Open Competition/Dressage Committee: Karen Waldron, Chair

No Report.

National Breeders Futurity: Melissa Moore, Chair, Vern Houston, Steve Kildow, Andy Lamps, Junior Shut

Amateur Auction got underway at 5:00 PM March 5th with 17 participants. The purchaser of the Amateur with the most class wins receives First prize, half of the money in the auction, the rest to benefit the National Breeders Futurity.

Limited Breeders' Weanling & 3-Year Old Stakes and Stallion Auction: Tom Lowry, Chair, Katy Earehart, Tom Galbreth, Taylor Gregory, Sue Harrod, Rodney Hicks, Steve Kildow, Matt Schuckert, David Yoder

The LBS Event and auction will be held online via Zoom as well as an online Auction website on Saturday March 6th.

A general Membership meeting will be held at 4pm

The online auction link has been linked on FaceBook, Emailed and Linked on the AHHS website.

The Stallion auction will begin at 5:30 online only with 32 Stallions auctioned 2-3 minutes apart. Stallion order and sale time will be posted a few days ahead of the Auction.

A Zoom sale party will be held in conjunction with the Auction including LBS participants and online bidders.

The LBS committee will be selling Raffle Tickets \$25 a piece a total of 200 tickets will be sold \$1,000 first prize \$500 second prize and the additional proceeds of \$3500 will go towards the Amateur Incentive Program.

Short videos will be posted on the website 3 weeks ahead of the LBS weekend to help promote the Auction as well as the Hackney.

Auction Registration will be online with a credit card, a two week Grace period has been set for those who wish to send in a check.

At 5:20 a zoom party will start to kick off the LBS online Auction.

Nominating: Rodney Hicks, Chair, Holly Nichols, Andy Freseth, Matt Lightner

No Report.

Promotional/Education: Karen Waldron, Chair, Brian Yount, Ricky Harris, Bryan Earehart

No Report.

Regional Associations: Bo Lucas, Chair, Matt Lightner

Mid-west Hackney Stallion Auction will be Online.

Registry Review: Carl Nichols, Chair, Ricky Harris, Randy Harper

No Report.

Trophies: Taylor Gregory, Chair

No Report.

Youth Medallion: Mindy Preston, Chair, Jonelle Chovanec, Lisa Cox Sparrow, Lisa Hillmer, Chris Schubert

No Report.

Junior Exhibitor Regional Championship Committee: Mindy Preston, Chair, Jonelle Chovanec, Lisa Cox Sparrow, Lisa Hilmer, Chris Schubert

No Report.

USEF Committee: Maureen Quackenbush, Chair, Rich Campbell, Andy Freseth, Mindy Preston

The UPHA has made a rule change to allow the Pleasure Classics to become Park Pleasure.

USEF has stopped alliance memberships. No meeting has been set up yet.

Young Trainers Hackney Internship/Mentorship Program Committee: Bryan Earehart, Chair, Amanda Ella, Matt Lightner

No Report.

Helping Hackneys Emergency Relief Fund Committee Josh Greer, Chair, Steve Kildow, Travis Smith

One application has been received and approved.

Old Business:

1. Studbook Volume 34 Update – Update in President’s Report above.
2. Hackney show pleasure driving qualifying for 2021 – Randy Harper makes a motion to suspend qualification for the 2021 season. Ricky Harris seconds motion passes unanimously. To be re evaluated for 2022

3. USDF All-Breed Awards – Rodney Hicks makes a motion to make the payment and partake in the program. Andy Freseth seconds, motion carries.

IX. New Business:

- a. UPHA Foundation \$2,500 Grant Randy Harper makes a motion to use \$1,000 for a virtual youth contest run by Katy and Bryan Earehart of Heritage Stables. The virtual contest will require youth contestants to watch classes at a horse show or webcast of a horse show and submit a 30 second video of the class with commentary on why they like the Hackney Pony. Rodney Hicks seconds the motion carries.
- b. UPHA 2022 Convention Memorandum of Understanding – Bryan Earehart makes a motion to agree to the terms and conditions of the memorandum, Rodney Hicks seconds, motion passes.

X. Executive Session:

XI. Round Table:

XII. Closing Remarks:

Tom Lowry thanks the board and the great leadership of Maureen Quackenbush, and Andy Freseth as proceeding presidents.

XIII. Motion to Adjourn:

Bryan Earehart motions to adjourn Randy Harper seconded, the motion carries.