

**Western New York Quarter Horse Club, Inc.**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**October 1, 2011**  
**Pizza Panty, Corfu, NY**

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Hicock at 8:03 p.m.

Present were: Robert Hicock, Amy Hanssen-Keyes, Regina Kernin, Cheryl Bish, Jenny Wegrzyn, and Virginia Beaton-Weyers.

Absent were: Karen Randall, Tracy Kalinski, Joseph Stoelting, and Bill Hopkins.

A sign in sheet was available for members.

New members: no new members were present

**Minutes:**

The Board of Directors meeting minutes from September were read. Corrections were made: for the jumps that the club does not need to own a set of jumps (the word not was omitted). For the web site the link for the President's email address had not been updated. Gretchen Ott made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Jenny Wegrzyn. Motion approved.

The General Membership meeting minutes from September were read. Corrections were made: the spelling of one member's name. Under bills that were submitted Liz Smith turned in a printing bill of \$129.48 and submitted \$1,000 in sponsorship money for the Candy Apple Classic. Gretchen Ott made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Jenny Wegrzyn. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report presented by Cheryl Bish. There was a deposit of \$1,000 for the Candy Apple Classic sponsors. For expenses there was \$129.48 for Futurity sponsors, \$50 to Alicia Oberholtzer for printing the Candy Apple Classic booklet, \$150 for the Holiday Inn for the September meeting, \$15,211.50 to the Erie County Agriculture Society for the Candy Apple Classic, \$1,000 for our scholarship winner.

Balances:

Checking Account	\$13,947.70
Savings Account	\$ 3,585.07
Money Market	\$ 3,389.28
Scholarship	\$ 1,265.04
Youth Checking	\$ 3,500.36
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Total	\$25,687.45
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The money market was cashed in just before the Candy Apple Classic. \$7,000 was transferred to checking to pay for the show bills. Cheryl will move money back into the money market now that the bills for the Candy Apple Classic are paid.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented made by Emma Kwapiszeski, seconded by Katie Pfeifer. Motion passed.

**Communications and bills**

Regina Kernin presented bills for the Canady Apple Classic. There was \$17 for sending the results to AQHA and NSBA, plus \$7.68 for sending Candy Apple Classic payback to the winners. Regina also had a bill for \$51.68 for sending out ballots for the election. Tiffany Shank made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Donna Newell. Motion passed.

#### Committee Reports

AQHA Show – Nothing new

Awards (Cheryl) – waiting for the November meetings since some people are short meetings.

Points (Regina) – Points are updated on the web site, and she had a copy of the points in case anyone had a question. One member asked if her point question had been addressed and Regina is waiting to hear back from the show secretary on that.

Bylaw – Alecia Oberholtzer questioned why the bylaw changes had not been sent out for members to vote on. What Regina had received from the bylaw committee was not what had been read at the meeting so she felt that the bylaws had to be re-read with the changes. She had requested that the updates be read at the September meeting, but they had not so they are going to be read at the October meeting.

Directory – The directory ad this year will be:

1/3 page \$40

1/2 page \$50

Full page \$70

Centerspread \$160

Inside and Back Covers \$110

Deadline for the directory will be November 20<sup>th</sup>. Kelly Keller and Jenny Wegrzyn and working on the directory this year. If you would like to have an ad please contact Kelly at 716-984-3649 or [kellykeller123@yahoo.com](mailto:kellykeller123@yahoo.com).

Newsletter (Jenny) – Jenny asked that if anyone had news please make sure she receives it for the newsletter.

Open shows (Cheryl) – No new information

Program and Entertainment – Next meeting is at the Valley Inn, in Holland, NY

Publicity – Jourdan Stevenson made a facebook page for the club.

Scholarship – nothing new

Web site – There was an issue with the President's email not being updated. Regina will correct that.

Youth club (Emma) – December 4<sup>th</sup> is the Youth Party. Nominations are done.

#### Unfinished Business

Elections – 46 ballots were returned and Tiffany Shank is the new Director.

#### New Business

Bylaw changes – the proposed bylaw changes were read by Robert Hicock.

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Existing By-Laws	Proposed By-Laws Change
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<p><b>ARTICLE VIII. AQHA SHOW POINT SYSTEM AND ANNUAL HIGH POINT AWARDS</b>  <b>Section 4. Annual High Point Awards</b>  <b>High Point and Reserve Novice Youth:</b> High Point Novice Youth and Reserve Novice Youth awards will be presented to the Youth exhibitors age 18 and under, with the highest and second highest total number of WNYQHCI novice youth points. Points must be accumulated in Novice Youth Showmanship as well as two other novice youth performance classes.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE VIII. AQHA SHOW POINT SYSTEM AND ANNUAL HIGH POINT AWARDS</b>  <b>Section 4. Annual High Point Awards</b>  <b>High Point and Reserve Novice Youth:</b> High Point Novice Youth and Reserve Novice Youth awards will be presented to the Youth exhibitors age 18 and under, with the highest and second highest total number of WNYQHCI novice youth points. Points must be accumulated in Novice Youth Showmanship <u>or Novice Youth Halter</u> as well as two other novice youth performance classes. <u>In the event the exhibitor is ineligible for both classes, then novice youth points must be accumulated in 3 AQHA performance categories.</u></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS</b>  <b>Section 1. Officers.</b>  <b>e. Term.</b> The term of office for all Officers shall be twelve (12) months from their installation at the October general membership meeting or until their successors are duly elected and installed into office. Officers shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms. Officers who have served two (2) or more consecutive terms in the same office are prohibited from running again in the next election for the same office, but may run for any other office</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS</b>  <b>Section 1. Officers.</b>  <b>e. Term.</b> The term of office for all Officers shall be twelve (12) months from their installation at the October general membership meeting or until their successors are duly elected and installed into office.</p>
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Club owned Jumps – the club would like to look into how much we paid for the jumps and put them up for bid to sell. There are places that rent jumps so if we get into a jam we can rent jumps. Our current jumps need repair plus we need more jump.

Regina had articles about the new AQHA show leveling and AQHA show management workshops in case any member was interested.

Jenny Wegrzyn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sally Bigelow. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Regina Kernin