

AJC Race Committee

Meeting October 25, 2009

Delaware Park, Delaware

Member Present: Susan Meyer, Deborah Mihaloff, Kathy Smoke, Michele Youngdale, Leslie Gicewicz and Dr. Ted Wright (Chief ARC Steward)

Not Present: Hamp Johnston, Howard Pike, Paul Husband, Leslie Smith, Richard (Dick) Reed

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 AM

Review of the minutes of the previous meeting of February 27, 2009 in San Marcos, Texas were reviewed. It was moved to accept the minutes. So moved.

Treasurers Report:

In Lieu of Hamp Johnston' absence Susan Meyer offered the report. The Balance Sheet to date shows total Liabilities and Equity at \$67,091.10. Income generated from the sale of race reports is way down. AJC is looking into other means of earning income to pay for promotion and education of racing in the United States and abroad.

It was moved to accept the report. So moved.

Old Business:

DNA Testing – Kathy shared info from Debbie Fuentes of AHA regarding DNA attesting. The Registry Commission would have to review the procedure for a second testing to be done prior to a Racing Certificate being approved. AJC would need to submit the reasons, protocol, and funding and implementation plan to the Registry Commission. Precedent has already been set and implemented in Turkey. This would increase the costs for the registration. AJC would need to contact the Jockey Club to ensure the licensed tatoouer could do this prior to tattooing. The Registry Commissions' next meeting is in November. Michele will email Dan Fick @ the Jockey Club. Leslie Gicewicz will research the information from Genex lab to find out how far back the parentage verification can go and to what degree of certainty. AJC course of action on this issue will be determined by information obtained by Leslie Gicewicz.

ARC Ted Wright stated that the ARC Financial position is stable. Nomination numbers remain about the same. The Darleys will be held in Houston, Texas March 12 and 13, 2010. ARC will meet that Saturday morning as early as possible, 8AM. The AJC meeting will immediately follow.

Ted informed AJC a continuation of the Triple Crown Series has been discussed and Colorado has expressed interest in picking up the leg of the Triple Crown that was lost due to the loss of

Arabian racing at Los Alamitos in California. Currently there are some issues that need resolving and ARC will continue to provide feedback to AJC in this regard.

RMTC Michele Youngdale provided written updates. Kathy will get with Hamp to issue a contribution check along with a letter for the 2009 RMTC donation. Sue reported that AHA does not have the ability to make a contribution for 2009.

New Business

ARAF Trophies Deb reported that ARAF had several (6) beautiful trophies left over from their stakes races and wished to donate them. Deb made a motion to have Kathy send a letter to Fred Cox requesting the 6 remaining trophies be donated to the AJC for future use. Motion was seconded by Sue and passed unanimously. Kathy will draft the letter to Fred. Sue also suggested the AJC consider using the trophies for the AJC Special Achievement Award.

AJC Special Achievement Award Kathy will send an email to the AJC Board and AJC Race Committee and Special Projects Committee to request nominations for the award by December 15th. Kathy will also send the definition of this award along as well. Sue made a motion to use the ARAF trophies for this award (should they be given to AJC). Motion was seconded by Deb and unanimously approved.

IFAHR Kathy provided her written report and the IFAHR Secretaries' report from the meeting in Paris, France on October 4, 2009. Deb provided a AH Galleries update at this same meeting. This was received with applause. Deb provided the meeting participants a 3 CD set of the Galleries, covering the collections and coverage of the building itself. Along with this copies of the magazines from The Arabian Finish Line, the Arabian Finish Line Stallion Guide and the April issue of the Arabian Horse World with racing features both nationally and internationally.

Graded Stakes Kathy will contact each of the State Affiliates to determine how long each of their respective tracks have been running Graded Stakes races (irrespective of sponsorship name changes) to ensure proper grading.

Bookkeeping It was discussed that Hamp Johnston would assume the day to day bookkeeping of the AJC. The current bookkeeper at AHA is overwhelmed with that organizations work and in order to expedite information it would appear that Hamp as AJC Treasurer can handle this through the use of Quick Books from his own personal office. Bank accounts will remain in Denver.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be in Houston, Texas on Saturday, March 13th, 2010 during the Darley Award weekend.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Smoke/AJC president