

April 10, 2019

Minutes of the RMQHA Race Board of Directors Meeting, 1:00 pm, in Brighton CO

Meeting was called to order by Vice President, Matt Herrman. Directors in attendance were, Terry Vondy – President, Howie Chavers, Greg Herrman, Kathy Stoker-Hill, Wendy Gaddis. Directors in attendance via conference call were Larry Terrell, Vaughn Cook and guest Tanner Issacs.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of January 26, 2019 as published. Motion passed.

The 2019 RMQHA races were discussed. Kathy Hill mad a motion to add \$20,000 to the Cherry Creek Futurity, \$10,000 to the Lucile Rowe Derby and \$4000 to be split out between the Colorado Bred Trials. Vaughn Cook seconded the motion and the motion passed. The added money, \$34,000, is the RMQHA percentage from the Colorado Breeders Award money of \$190,731.21 paid to the association. The summary of payout to members will be published in the May/June issue of the RMQHA magazine.

The following are the current number of nominations in the 6 RMQHA sponsored races;

Rocky Mountain Futurity – 25	Rocky Mountain Derby – 33
Cherry Creek Futurity – 38	Lucile Rowe Derby – 25
Mile High Futurity – 40	Mile High Derby – 33

Colorado Bred Enrollments were presented to date for 2019 (As of April 9);

Broodmares – 32	Foals – 61	Stallions - 6
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The remaining stakes races were discussed. The following suggestions were made. Move the American Flyer from June 9th to June 1st., Dolls Prodigy from July 13th to June 15th, and the Leo Beau Dash from July 21st to July 27th. Greg Herrman made a motion that the proposed date changes be presented to Arapahoe Park for consideration. Howie Chavers seconded. Motion passed.

There were no Racing Commission updates

Vice President Matt Herrman presented the information from the recent CHA meeting.

- 1. Bruce Seymour, Dan Hartman and Shannon Rushton attended the arci meeting in California. All parties stated that they felt the meeting and it's attendees were negative due to the break downs at Santa Anita. Medications and the whip were two of the biggest topics discussed.*
 - 2. Expansion of the track committee to include an owner, trainer and jockey in addition to track and cha personnel.*
 - 3. Increased social media use to highlight number of tests taken and their outcome.*
 - 4. Only having timed workouts first thing in the morning and right after break.*
 - 5. Proposal of no race day medications for 2 year old's.*
- Bruce's final comment was this is very serious and the industry needs to work together on this.*

Arapahoe Park updates were included in the CHA report. There was discussion regarding the process members must go through to get their funds at the end of the race season from the track cashier. Larry Terrell suggested that RMQHA provide members with a written statement requesting their remaining funds at the end of the race season from the track cashier. The office will draft the request for review and approval. Once approved, the office will send to race members on file with a W-9 for them to present to the track cashier office

The Board agreed to hold the Day at the Races again in conjunction with the Colorado Horse Council on June 15th. Planning will begin soon and members will be contacted to help.

AQHA convention report was postponed until the next meeting

With the resignation of John Hammes from the Race Board of Directors, Greg Herrman moved to appoint Tanner Isaacs was appointed to fill the remainder of his term. Kathy Hill seconded. Motion passed after discussion. This term expires at the end of 2019.

The board discussed other interested and potential board members. It was recommended to invite them to all future board meetings to learn about the board proceedings and association.

Matt Herrman requested members think about what goals they would like to see accomplished over 1 year, 3 years and 5 years. He would like to have a more in-depth conversation on this topic at the next meeting. A couple examples were presented; 1. Additional Quarter Horse Individual on the CHA board. 2. RMQHA to stay I touch nationally with AQHA in being proactive to protect Horse Racing from PETA

Other business discussed;

Hall of Fame Nominations are due August 1st. Race needs to be sure to present nominations for 2019

RMQHA/RMPHA Golf Tournament is Monday, July 15, 2019 at Bear Dance in Larkspur.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be Tuesday, June 18th at 1:00 pm at the RMQHA offices.

With no additional business to discuss, it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

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