Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association

Race Meeting

June 5, 2017

Minutes and Agenda

Director Attendees: Terry Vondy – Vice President of Race, Kathy Stoker-Hill, Greg Herrman, Larry Terrell, Vaughn Cook, Greg Hause, and Jodie Witt, Executive Director. Howie Chavers were present via conference call

Not Present: Jake Dahl, Margo Shares, James Lynn, Larry, John Hammes, Matt Herrman.

The Meeting was called to order by Vice President of Race, Terry Vondy at 1:09 pm. Minutes were approved from the last meeting held on April 11, 2017.

There were updates provided on the Cherry Creek Futurity and Lucille Rowe Derby. There is currently 33 nominated in the Futurity and 28 in the Derby.

A motion was made and seconded that Foals must be enrolled in the Colorado Bred program prior to nominating for any future Colorado Bred Quarter Horse Races. The enrollment changes will be included in the future race conditions. There will be discussion regarding the enrollment fees for the older foals at a future meeting.

Breeder's Award Money was reviewed for future distribution. Kathy Stoker-Hill provided a proposal for reallocation of funds between Stallions, Mares and Foals. After much discussion, it was agreed upon to table the discussion to let members review and consider the proposal.

Day at the Races was discussed. The event is tentatively scheduled to be in conjunction with the Futurity and Derby finals on July 15th. Howie Chavers has agreed to assist Jodie with the program. Jodie is not able to get the staff at Arapahoe Park to return her calls to confirm arrangements. Jodie is hoping to get sponsorships to cover most of, the costs. More to follow on this with details, cost, times and agenda. Watch Facebook and emails for finalized schedule.

Terry Vondy reviewed the races that have occurred at Arapahoe Park. The new format is not performing as expected and potential changes may be forthcoming. Larry Terrell reported that they will be increasing the races on Friday to 8, and to 10 on Saturdays and Sundays.

The RMQHA convention will be December 1-2nd. Jodie has secured a location, Marriott West in Golden CO. Jill Cook and Kathy Hill will be on the committee. Others are welcome if they have an interest in helping plan the convention.

Other New business was presented;

At the April meeting, Kathy Stoker-Hill asked how the 5 remaining Greeley Hat Works gift certificates should be distributed. Each are worth \$250. A motion was made by Greg Hause and Vaughn Cook seconded that the certificates should be presented as awards to the Owner, trainer and jockey of the winners of the Futurity and Derby. We will be receiving certificates again this year from Greeley Hat Works so we will have 6. It was also recommended to use one of the certificates as a drawing for the Day at the Races for those attending.

Transwest Trucks and Trailers has been confirmed as the Award sponsor for the Futurity and Derby. Thank you to Margo Shares, for working with them and getting this secured. Terry will follow up with Arapahoe Park to see where Transwest can park a display trailer on the days of the trials and final races.

Jodie gave a brief recap of the AQHA Affiliate meeting she attended in Amarillo. Racing collateral is available in Spanish and we will be getting this for the office and distribution.

Hall of Fame – Only one nomination has been received by the office to date. It was recommended by the race board to extend the submission deadline to August 1^{st} . Jodie has communicated this to Jan Guynn, Chairman of the Hall of Fame and the committee for consideration.

Kathy Stoker-Hill proposed preliminary by-law changes for membership to receive year end awards and breeder award money. There was additional discussion and this will be placed on the agenda of the By-law committee for review at their next meeting for voting at the convention.

There was a discussion regarding future legislation that could be coming up in the State of Colorado and the need to potentially retain a lobbyist again for the association. Jodie will put together a list of names and contact information for the board to review and further consider.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Greg Hause and seconded by Greg Herrman. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodie Witt Executive Director