Minutes Of The
Board of Directors
May 23rd, 2013
Copper Turret, Route 20
Morrisville, NY
11:30am

Present: David Hanson, Betty Holt, Noelle Igoe, Dan Henry, Ken Jacobs, Jean Brown, Mike Kimmelman, Peter Arrigenna, Dave Kane, Nike Salvie, Scott Warner, Bob Brooks, Anne Zweig, Barbara Galbraith, Joe Spadaro

1.) Call to Order- President David Hanson calls meeting to order.

2.) Approved minutes from last meeting- Dan Henry makes a motion to approve minutes, Anne Zweig seconds. All in favor.

3.) Zweig report- (see hand out) Betty reports the numbers are holding pretty steady considering the number of horses that are being registered now and with the changes in pricing and what has been done based on earnings.

4.) Retired/Rescue Horse Funding- Betty reports that when she went to The Equine committees with the Farm Bureau. They lobby for various topics; one of the topics is going to the capital and lobbying against the passage of the anti-slaughter bill. We would like to consider asking the fund to put all of the $50 payments they receive and put into an account marked for retirement and rescue. It would be around $50,000 a year. Betty asks if this is something the board would like to pursue. Also future discussion how the money would be allocated, would it go to just New York bred horses? Jean Brown makes a motion that Betty should receive more information from Ellen Harvey to bring to the next meeting. Bob Brooks seconds. All in favor.

5.) NYSS rule/condition changes-payments- Betty reports that payments are being received late. They are being accepted even if they are past the deadline.

6.) NYSS form changes-resident- on form- Betty discusses instead of having several forms being filled out for residency mares, there would be one form in January for permanent mares, and a second post card for mares that would be sent in after the completely the 180 days.
7.) Stallion rules of eligibility- leases-Betty reports that the Fund feels that the 10 year lease for stallions standing in New York needs to be reworded. There needs to be some sort of “Opt. out” rule or to completely remove the 10 year agreement. Or to have the Fund decided whether the stallion can be moved during the breeding season? Betty will write something up to bring to the next meeting to be approved.

8.) 2014 Scheduling and Committee- Peter reports that there were some issues with the 2013 schedule. Unfortunately there were some conflicts with races being too close to one another. Peter reports he and Dave do the best they can with scheduling between grand circuit races and the Sire Stakes races. Bob Brooks made a motion for the scheduling committee to make every effort possible to avoid conflict. Jean Brown modifies the motion if the final is in an excess of $100,000. Ken Jacobs seconds. All in favor.

9.) New Business/ Old business- Bob Brooks suggests there should be some sort of online community regarding where to locate available nurse mares. Betty adds that the HHBNYS website use to have something and they are in the works to get it back up and running.

10.) Next Meeting Date- set monthly date- Plan on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Betty will send out a notice at the beginning of the month if there will or will not be a meeting.

11.) Alice Allen- 10 Minutes for Open Discussion- Alice Allen addresses the board regarding a contract she entered into with Jeff Brooks and Bullet Proof Enterprise regarding standing If I Can Dream at her farm in New York. The contact was not followed and If I Can Dream was moved to New Jersey.

12.) Adjourn- Dan Henry makes a Motion to Adjourn. Jean Brown seconds. All in Favor.