

**Yellowstone Reining Horse Association**  
General Meeting, April 5, 2008, Chico Hot Springs, MT  
Minutes

Called to order: 2:20 pm

**Roll Call**

Present: George Stone (President); Janis Anderson (Vice President); Chandra Morris (Secretary); Wendy Deans (Treasurer); Elise Donohue (Immediate Past President); Jay Dee Anderson (Executive Director); and Directors: Mike Carlson; Lanette Frye; Nicole Mather; John Morris; Jackie Sorenson; Kurt Stabenau  
Not present: Jean Keffeler

President George Stone opened the meeting by thanking the outgoing board members for their service and hard work and welcoming the incoming board members.

**Minutes**

January 19, 2008 meeting minutes read and approved as corrected.

President George Stone requested that minutes be distributed to all board members via mail and email following a meeting, that these be reviewed by the board within a two-week period, and the corrected minutes then be posted on the website for the membership.

**Treasurer's report**

Treasurer Wendy Deans reported that one of YRHA's CD matures on April 12, 2008. As approved by the board at the January 19, 2008 meeting, the CD will be re-invested. Wendy recommended that the CD be reinvested for a 6-month period. So moved by Kurt Stabenau. Approved.

**Committee reports**

President George Stone indicated that it is time for committee chairs to sign up committee members, no more than four to a committee. Committee members do not have to be board members. Proposals/recommendations developed by committees should be forwarded to George for placement on board meeting agendas.

Show committee

The need to purchase annual show/clinic insurance was raised. Kurt Stabenau moved that YRHA expend \$500 to purchase a \$2 million insurance policy to cover liability at 2008 YRHA shows and clinics. Approved. Alice Morrison, 2008 YRHA show manager, was authorized to proceed with purchasing the policy.

Ad hoc committees have formed. These include: website, bylaws, and logo committees.

## **New business**

### 1. Show manager

NRHA requires that show managers be current members. Treasurer Wendy Deans moved that YRHA purchase the required NRHA annual 2008 membership for the YRHA show manager, Alice Morrison, who otherwise has no need of the membership. Approved.

### 2. Billings reiners

Carl Larson of Billings notified President George Stone that reiners in Billings have formed a group and are sponsoring three jackpots in Billings at the Metra Park arena in 2008. He requested YRHA's assistance in publicizing the jackpots. Kurt Stabenau moved that YRHA post the Billings jackpot information on the YRHA website. Approved. The website committee was directed to post the information.

### 3. Wrangler

President George Stone initiated discussion on the Wrangler, currently the only source of printed and mailed news for YRHA members. YRHA will continue to provide subscriptions to the Wrangler for its members. \$6 of each member's dues covers the cost of the subscription.

### 4. Website upgrade

Website upgrading was discussed by Treasurer Wendy Deans, who presented a bid from the webmaster, Cheryl James, for upgrading. Vice President Janis Anderson moved that YRHA expend up to \$360 for website upgrades. Approved.

President George Stone recommended using photos of YRHA members instead of stock photos in the banner at the top of our website. The website committee will work directly with the webmaster to accommodate this recommendation.

## **Good of the Order**

President George Stone asked members to select the committees on which they would like to serve in 2008 and notify him by phone or email. Standing committees are: Nomination, Show, Banquet, Awards, Audit, and Fundraising. George recommended that an additional committee, the Education committee, be formed to support clinics, jackpots and seminars. Immediate Past President Elise Donahue recommended that a Strategic Planning committee be formed to carry forward the strategic planning effort led by outgoing board member Gwen Wagner early in 2008.

Adjourned: 3pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Chandra Morris, Secretary