

**BHAM MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 13, 2010  
SHIAWASSEE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
CORUNNA, MICHIGAN**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Heidi Gautz  
Rick St. Onge  
Lisa Watts  
Betty Crowell  
Bev McCollum  
Nancy Rich  
John Hull  
Tami Thornton  
Pam Wells

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Kaitlynn Watts

**GUESTS:**

Linda Hull  
Tony Thornton

Betty called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Bev made a motion to approve the May, 2010 minutes; John supported. The minutes were approved.

**LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Betty said the May show went well. Attendance was slightly less than the April show. She is looking forward to the June show.

Betty said she received a thank you from Tom Garrison for the flowers that were sent.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Rick thanked everyone for a job well done.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The show season is going well.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Heidi presented a treasurer's report. Lisa made a motion to place the treasurer's report on record. Tami supported the motion. The motion passed. Betty presented a bill for \$100 for the binders for the pattern books. Bev made a motion to pay the bill and Tami supported. The motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS: Rick is still exploring broadcasting and anticipates getting more information from others that are doing this at the world show in Tulsa in July.** Susan received the belt buckle and Bev has received her year-end award.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ETHICS:** Lisa followed through with the email to the offended party that no action would be taken per the recommendation to the board from the Ethics Committee.

**AWARDS:** Tami reported that Jill Kursinsky is donating and coordinating the June high point awards. Betty sent Tami an email from Jay Wicker regarding show sheen and robin hoods. Tami is giving some gift certificates for FH Originals to Jr. BHAM to use.

**JUNIOR BHAM:** Nancy reported that Jr. BHAM realized \$144 at the last show on various fund raisers. Jr. BHAM is also collecting pop cans. Rick may be able to get some containers for use in collecting pop cans. Nancy said they would like to tabulate team points at each show. Nancy has ordered high points and reserve high points for the June show which total \$96.00. **Nancy needs the Employer Identification Number from Heidi to open the Jr. BHAM Account.**

Nancy said that they will be moving ahead with the quilt for auction. **Nancy will coordinate the quilt fundraiser with Bev.**

**JUDGES:** In the future, judges' contracts will state that BHAM will pay a reasonable cost of airfare. If the judge prefers to drive and it would cost more than the airfare, the judge would be responsible for the difference. Rick said we shouldn't be paying for the 2<sup>nd</sup> night in a hotel room. **Rick agreed to be in charge of the Judge's Committee for hiring 2011 judges.** Bev is still within the 2010 budget for this committee. There was a complaint about a judge during the bit check—the judge didn't use a tape measure. That comment went on the judge's evaluation.

**DRUG TESTING:** Betty received a bid for drug testing. So far we have 2 bids. Other bids will be reviewed. **Next year BHAM needs to send out rfb's to several vets in the area.**

**POINTS: Heidi needs Lisa to complete the membership list so Heidi can finish tabulating points.**

**BHAM REPRESENTATIVE:** Nancy reported for Kaitlynn. Kaitlynn has one application for representative.

**BULLET: Nancy will send out the June *Bullet* after this meeting.**

**BANQUET:** The Banquet will be held in February at the Lexington.

**LTA:** Bev has received no nominations.

**SPONSORSHIP:** No report.

SSS/FUTURITY: Betty reported that she has 4 stallions sold. There is a fifth stallion but the check was NSF. Rick reported that he and Betty and Clyde Pletcher have been in contact regarding the Futurity show. Rick said that the goal would be to have a show with points awarded to ABRA and IBHA. We would need a third party sponsor petition ABRA and IBHA for points. **Rick will contact the 3<sup>rd</sup> party on Monday.** The test would occur at this year's futurity. If that is successful we would implement a joint futurity show in the future.

WEEKEND SHOWS: There will be no dinners at the June show. A for-certain start time for the dinners may be helpful. Hiring Michigan judges and doing a triple-judged show at 2011 Fourth of July show was discussed.

MEMBERSHIP: We received a bid from a new photographer. John made a motion to for **Heidi to contact Tim Finnegan and negotiate a contract.** Tami supported John's motion. Motion passed. Tim's new contract would begin in 2011 and would expire after congress, 2015; the prices will be locked for the duration of a new contract at the 2011 rates.

We received our insurance policy from American Reliable Insurance for weekend shows and congress.

CONGRESS:

TRAIL: No report.

RULES: **John is working on them.**

PUBLICITY: Heidi just paid for 46 additional members for the July show. Heidi has paid for 87 member addresses to date.

WEBSITE: **Nancy is working on this. We would like the pictures to change/rotate every time you log in.**

NOMINATIONS: **John is working on it.** Nancy mentioned that Jill Kursinsky might be willing to run. Tony may be interested in running as well.

NEW BUSINESS: Betty reported that at the May show Mike called Rick and said he was resigning from the board for health reasons. Mike has also resigned from ring stewarding. The board has accepted his resignation. We are now at 10 board members out of 12 possible. The quorum is half plus 1. Betty appointed Linda to fulfill the rest of Mike's term which will end in December, 2010.

Bev spoke about the world show. Bev wondered if BHAM is sponsoring a class and if BHAM is sponsoring a dinner. Bev wondered if BHAM is sending anything down for the youth auction this year. Bev wondered if BHAM is going to get involved in the stall decorating contest. Lisa made a motion to sponsor a class for \$150 for the ABRA world show. Tami supported the motion. The motion passed. **Bev will gather items for the stall decorating contest. Nancy will work on getting something for the youth auction.**

We have received a bid for congress staff. The bid is exactly the same as last year's bid. Rick made a motion to accept the bid from Gautz & Wells for the 2010 congress staff. Tami supported. The motion passed.

NEXT MEETING: August 8, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. tentatively at MSU.

ADJOURNMENT: John made a motion to adjourn. Heidi Supported the motion. The motion passed. The meeting ended at 1:25 p.m.