

**Big Bend Horseman's Association
General Membership Meeting
December 13, 2010**

Officers and Board Members Attending:

Wade Smith, Sherri Dean, Jane Essig, Pam Clark, Doyle Conner, Jr., Sue Everett, John Sparks

President Wade Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 PM.

A motion was made for the minutes from the November 8, 2010, General Membership Meeting to be accepted. The motion was seconded. The Club voted. The motion carried.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Jane Essig presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded. The Club voted. The motion carried.

Facilities/Website: Sherri Dean stated she had nothing to report.

Youth Participation: Doyle Conner, Jr., stated he had nothing to report.

Clinics: Pam Clark reported on the Showmanship Clinic. There were seven participants of varying experience levels. The Club provided drinks and a Portalet, so expenses were not quite covered. Some non-members attended who might join. Clinician Jennifer Johnston will keep a date open in February (Feb. 1, 2011) if BBHA wants her to hold another clinic.

Old Business

Show Rules - Dress Code: Wade stated that Doyle and Sue are working on it. Anyone with input should contact Doyle or Sue. Wade hopes to have the new code available before the February show.

Awards Banquet: Sherri reported that tickets are \$10 (\$5 for little bitty people). Due to ATF regulations, an Opera House employee must serve any alcoholic beverages; there will be a \$20/hour pour charge for this service, included in the fee for the Opera House; be sure to mark your bottles with your name. Volunteers will be needed the day of the banquet, Saturday, January 8, to help set up. The menu will be the same as last year with Carrie Ann and Company catering again. Deadline for purchasing tickets is December 31, 2010.

By-Law Change: Wade read the current and proposed item and asked for discussion. There was none. A motion was made to accept the proposed By-Law Change. The motion was seconded. The Club voted. The motion carried.

Show Secretary: Wade reported that the Board has approved a paid non-member Show Secretary position on a three-show trial basis for \$80 per show. The Show Secretary will handle pre-registrations, registrations the day of the show, and points record keeping. A suggestion was made that the original show sheets be given to the Corporate Secretary when the Show Secretary is done with them. Wade reported that the Club is still looking at show management software. Donna Winsloe will get with Jane Essig about developing data entry forms for Jane's point tracking program.

New Business

Show Bill Changes: Pam Clark and Donna Winsloe are working on changes to the Show Bill. Please see them if you would like to provide input.

County Commission Meeting: Jed Dillard reported that the Jefferson County Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, December 16, at 6:00PM at the Jefferson County Courthouse. Engineers will be reporting on what will be needed to get the arena at Green Industries up to compliance with the Water Management District's requirements. Jed noted that this does not necessarily mean what will be needed to get the arena to a condition considered useable by the horse community. Wade encouraged anyone who can to attend to show a strong presence from the horse community. Jed warned that there will probably be a large crowd due to the Nestle/Wacissa Springs bottling issue being on the agenda.

Other Business

Election of Officers for 2011: Wade declared a quorum of the members present. Wade listed the slate suggested by the Nominations Committee. He then asked for additional nominations from the floor. There were no additional nominations. A motion was made to accept the entire slate by acclamation. The motion was seconded. The Club voted. There were none opposed. The motion carried. The Officers and Board of Directors for 2011 are:

President: Sherri Dean
Vice President: John Sparks
Secretary: Margaret Smith
Treasurer: Jane Essig
Directors: Wade Smith
Doyle Conner, Jr.
Morgan Strauss
Pam Clark
Donna Winsloe

Joint Board Meeting: The joint Board meeting will be held at Wade's house on January 3, 2011, at 7:00PM. Old and new officers and directors should attend.

Membership Meeting: The next general Membership meeting will be held on January 10, 2011, at Green Industries.

A motion was made to adjourn; the motion was seconded; the Club voted and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Essig,
Treasurer, acting Secretary

Attachment A
Proposed Change to By-Laws

Section 6. Reinstatement

A person wishing to be reinstated after a disciplinary action must submit a new signed membership application and be sponsored by a BBHA member in good standing. Upon written request signed by a BBHA member and delivered to the Secretary, †The application must be signed by the sponsoring BBHA member and delivered to the BBHA Secretary. The Board of Directors may reinstate a former member by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all Board members upon such terms as the Board of Directors may deem appropriate.

Reinstated members are ineligible to run for a position on the Board of Directors or hold office for 24 ~~12~~ months after reinstatement of membership.

**Attachment B
Slate of Nominees**

President Sherri Dean

Vice-President John Sparks

Secretary Margaret Smith
(not Show Secretary)

Treasurer Jane Essig

Directors (5-one of which should be the Immediate Past President)

Wade Smith
Doyle Conner
Morgan Strauss
Pam Clark
Donna Winsloe