

**EKHA WINTER MEETING
OCTOBER 29, 2011
MEETING - 3:00PM/BANQUET - 6:00 PM
AWARDS/DANCE TO FOLLOW MEAL**

EKHA President Sara Prochaska called the 2011 Fall Meeting to order on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at 3:22 PM at the Catholic Parish Hall, Clay Center. (Late start was due to waiting on several clubs/members to arrive.)

There were 18 voting delegates present, representing 11 Saddle Clubs. Clubs being represented were Buckeye SC (Pam Diehl/Angela Weber), Cowboys of Christ SC (Emily Ebert/Julie Ebert), Crossroads SC (Susan Melhus), El-Kan SC (Julia Dufon), Junction City SC (Tami Boller/Jill Schmutz), KS 4-D (Brenda Peterson), Mitchell County Riders (Noalee McDonald-Augustine/Shirley McDonald), Salina Silver Spurs (Bev Seuser), Sand Springs SC (Gina Dalton/Sheila Beemer), Santa Fe SC (Lisa Wainwright/Heidi Lange), and Washington SC (Lisa Zenger/Jacki Zabokrtsky). Three voting officers were also present, (Marlene Patry/Vice President, Kris Langdon/Secretary and Jane Wallace/Treasurer), making a total voting delegation of 21.

Kris Langdon read the minutes from the January 16, 2011 Winter Budget Meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report – Jane Wallace reported that the bank account balance was \$3086.68. In addition, there is \$7457.77 in a Farmway Credit Money Market, and \$672.41 in the Bob Sheridan Memorial Scholarship Fund, for a grand total of \$11,216.86. Jane reported that the Money Market will not show a profit/loss until after the Dec. 31, 2011 year-end report. Treasurer's report approved.

Communications – Meghan Dalton submitted a Thank You that will be read during the Awards Banquet, and then will be forwarded to the Bob Sheridan Family in appreciation of being awarded the Bob Sheridan Scholarship for 2011.

Kris Langdon reported that DK 4H SC and Buckeye SC had submitted show date requests in May and June 2011, respectively.

Heidi Lange made a request that if she would make PAC (Paint Alternative Competition) forms available for the shows, and keep the information current, could they be signed/approved by the secretary. Kris Langdon reported that she had signed these before, there is no charge to EKHA, and it isn't a problem to complete. It was agreed that this would be fine.

Committee Reports – Sara Prochaska reported that the awards were complete and ready for the banquet. Several members of the committee requested to be kept in the loop in the future. If people are willing to serve, they would like to be contacted about the committee's progress and plans. Several individuals requested receipts from 2011 Awards, giving them a chance to submit ideas for next year.

VP/Rules: No report - **Secretary:** No report - **Treasurer:** See above

Old Business: No old business

New Business:

After discussion on the following two proposed rule changes, **BOTH** proposed rule changes **FAILED**.

FAILED: Proposed Rule Change: #1) Submitted by: Mitchell Co. Riders (Pg 6, Horse Show Rules & Regulations, #25) (Revised 11) Item #25. There shall be no substitution of riders or horses once the class begins.

Rule will remain as stated: There shall be NO SUBSTITUTION of riders **OR** horses once entries close at the beginning of the previous class/event

FAILED: Proposed Rule Change #2 Submitted by: Sand Springs SC
OMIT THIS RULE: (Pg 7, Horse Show Rules & Regulations, #36) (New 11) Each rider must use their correct number as shown on the entry card. It is the **responsibility of the rider** to make sure that the proper number is being clearly displayed. Riders showing with incorrect, missing, or conflicting multiple numbers visible shall result in a disqualification, will not be judged, and will not receive year-end award points for that class.)

Rule will not be omitted, it will remain as stated.

The subject of displaying the Kansas Horse Council sign dealing with Assumption of Risk concerning domestic animal activities was discussed. It is **HIGHLY** recommended that each club have the disclaimer sign posted that can be read by all attending. In addition, a motion was made and passed to purchase a sign to keep with the EKHA properties that will be posted at each show.

Signs are available from the Kansas Horse Council for \$50.00 Individual membership (includes 1 vote), and \$80.00 for a Family membership (includes 2 votes).

It was brought to the attention of the members that the EKHA properties box was in need of replacement. A motion was made, amended, and passed to spend no more than \$100.00 to buy a durable box big enough for the properties, with handles. Kris Langdon will complete this task.

Election of Officers:

Noalee McDonald-Augustine was nominated for President. Nominations ceased. Upon voting, Noalee will serve as President.

Jane Wallace was nominated as Treasurer. Nominations ceased. Upon voting, Jane will remain as Treasurer.

A motion was made and passed to hold the Annual Winter Budget Meeting Sunday, January 15, 2012, with January 22 as a snow date. If available, the meeting will be held at Western Sizzlin' in Salina, eating at 2:00PM and meeting at 3:00PM. Sara Prochaska will make the arrangements, reminders will be sent in January.

An idea was discussed that might lead to a possible rule change proposal in the future. Due to large numbers in some Adult classes, and smaller numbers in others, the following idea for new age groups was discussed. This would affect ADULTS ONLY, and would only be in effect upon a rule change proposal and a passing vote. This is **informational only** at this point.

Combine Men and Women – Age groups would be: 19 – 39 40 – 60 61 & Over

The hope was that this might make the participation numbers in classes more even, to encourage the “experienced generation’s” participation, and may encourage newcomers to ride regardless of age/experience.

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and passed – Meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Langdon
EKHA Secretary

