

Virginia Harness Horseman Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2024

The meeting was called to order by president, Scott Woogen at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Those present in person were: Scott Woogen, Chief Robbins, Betsy Brown, Danny Chansky, Stacey McLenghan, Tyler Shehan, Anne McDonald, Tracy Bradshaw, Leon Harris, Billy Carter and Debbie Warnick. A quorum was declared.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS:

Item 1. Aged Breeders Fund and Sired Stakes races

It was moved and seconded that the Aged races be changed to race both sexes in the same race unless there are more than eight horses entered to race. This motion passed unanimously.

Item 2. Sired Stakes bonus program

There was discussion about the existing bonus program for the Sired Stakes program. It was moved by Stacy McLenghan and seconded by Tracy Bradshaw that this bonus payout be changed to pay based upon purses earned during the eliminations and final races. Fifteen percent (15%) bonus will be paid to the stallion owner and fifteen percent (15%) will be paid to the breeder after these races are run. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 3. Qualifying times for Breeders Fund and Sired Stakes races

It was moved and seconded that the qualifying times for two year olds be adjusted to pacers- 2:08 and trotters 2:10. Three year olds and aged will remain the same. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 4. Breeding Farms

Anne McDonald presented a list of farms that provide foaling services to the thoroughbreds in Virginia. Many of these farms are already on our list. Debbie will reach out to the rest of the farms to see if then want to be included on our list.

Item 5. New Barn at Shenandoah Downs

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Chief Robbins gave an update on the progress of a potential new barn at Shenandoah Downs. This project is still in the planning stage.

As there was no further business to be discussed, Scott Woogen adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Warnick
Executive Director