

## 2019 Saskatchewan Horse Federation AGM Saskatoon Inn and Conference Centre Saturday, March 9, 2019 Registered Voters List

Registered Voters - Board Members

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Shirley Brodsky-President	Carol Masecar-President Elect
Ronald Farrow-Director	Shirley Mawson-VP Sport
Brenda Gilchrist-Honorary Director	Al McKim-VP Finance
Lorraine Gilchrist-Director	Bobbi Jo Reeves-Director at Large
Jason Hanley – VP Industry	Jim Sawatsky-Director
Doug Howe-Past President	Ray Whitney-Director
Norm Kohle-VP Equine Diversity	

Registered Voters-Individuals

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**Registered Voters-Clubs** 

registered voters clubs	
Cadillac Light Horse Club	Masecar, Carol
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society	Backlund, Rose
Canadian Ranch Roping Association	Hanley, Jason
Corman Park Horse Rider's Association	Beaudette, Lorraine
HMR Sport Horse Club Inc.	Mawson, Shirley
Kingskettle Pony Club	Klassen, Cindy
Melfort Agricultural Society	McAvoy, Gina
Moose Jaw Exhibition Company	Whitney, Ray
Over the Top Vaulters Inc	Reynolds, Kim
Saskatchewan Cowboy Dressage	Perrin, Marci
Saskatchewan Hunter Jumper Association	Ryland, Lisa
Saskatchewan Quarter Horse Association	Graham, Lisa
Saskatchewan Regional Pony Club	Klassen, Cindy
Saskatchewan Valley Riding Club	Farrow, Marilee



Saskatchewan Western Dressage Association	Kadlec, Gloria
Swift Current Agricultural & Exhibition Assoc.	Stevenson, Tracey
Val Marie 4H Light Horse Club	Masecar, Carol

#### Staff

Audrey Price – Executive Director	Pam Duckworth – Office Manager
Laurel Golemba – Technical Director	Averil Parsons – Competitions/Administrator
Leanne Wesdyk – Communications/Administrator	Marilyn Pollock – Recording Secretary

Minutes
Annual General Meeting
March 9, 2019, 1:00 p.m.
Saskatoon Inn and Convention Centre
2002 Airport Road
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Shirley Brodsky.

The Board of Directors and staff were introduced and a welcome extended to all members and guests in attendance.

#### **Executive Director Remarks**

Audrey Price reflected on the history of the Saskatchewan Horse Federation with the first AGM in January 1974. Incorporation as a not-for-profit entity occurred in 1976. The objects of the society are now considered organization objectives as stated in the 2019 Annual Report. The long-term plan has many strategies and objectives and she outlined those that will take priority this year. She thanked all the membership for their continued participation and support of the SHF Heritage and Prairie Cup programs and the ongoing nomination of riders.

**Introduction of the guest speaker** Steve McLellan, CEO, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce. He spoke of some of the challenges and opportunities there are in the province at this time.

#### **Volunteer Award Presentation**

Executive Director Price presented the 2019 Volunteer Award to Cindy Klassen of Saskatoon. Cindy has been very involved in the equine industry and is a great ambassador of the sport.

#### **Establish Quorum**

In compliance with the Saskatchewan Non-Profit Act, and SHF Bylaw 13.1.3 which indicates that a quorum is considered those members present at the meeting of members. Therefore, quorum has been reached for this meeting.

## Approval of Agenda

Motion 20190903-M01 That the agenda as distributed be approved.

M/S L. Beaudette/G. Kadlec

Carried



# Approval of 2018 AGM Minutes

Motion 20190903-M02 That the minutes of the 2018 AGM be approved. M/S B. Gilchrest/S. Mawson Carried

## **Business Arising from the Minutes**

1. Request of a member that the Board consider deleting the second half of the statement from #2 in the rulebook regarding EIA testing.	Completed. The information was removed from the 2018 online rulebook copy although the rulebook itself was already printed. It has been removed from the 2019 print copy.
	The only change is a reference included acknowledging that only the regulating body, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), sets testing requirements.
2. Consider issuing the magazine in a different format.	The printed magazine was discontinued in 2018 as it was very costly to print and mail.  A review of online magazine or newsletter options was done to find new formats for a less-costly option and with the capability for small print runs.
	During 2018 we set up a new email system that will allow for better deliverability of our email newsletter. Subscribers now have the option of which email notifications and lists they would like to receive, which prevents people from receiving information they don't want, and thus cuts down on bounces and unsubscribes.
	Beginning in 2019 email newsletters will be accessible as an archived version on our website.
	We are reviewing the possibility in 2019 to permit people who do not have email access to be able to subscribe to a print version of this e-newsletter, which could be mailed out.
	We also must consider that it is an ongoing issue finding sufficient content for a pure-print publication. Delaying an issue while we gather content, as we have found in the past, means date sensitive information often doesn't get out in time.  We have not given up and continue to explore solutions.
3. Request reminders about the AGM be more frequent.	Notifications were sent: Nov 2 – Call for Motions/Nominations Dec 2 – Call for Motions/Nominations Dec 18 (Newsletter) – Call for Motions/Nominations & AGM Reminder Dec 27 – Call for Motions/Nominations



4. The (SHF) rule book for Dressage requires the rider to wear a helmet. Western Dressage competes under these rules as well and they do not want a helmet as it is not part of their apparel.	Jan 2 – LAST Call for Motions/Nominations Feb 20 – AGM Reminder with Registration (Clubs and Individual) March 1 – AGM Reminder with Registration March 6 – AGM Reminder In discussion with AON Insurance, coverage is tied to SHF Rules and the activity permitted by the Federation. SHF rules permit application for exemption to be submitted.  SHF uses only Capri and AON insurance and no other providers were called.
EC requires the helmet for all EC sanctioned events, but an exemption can be applied for under EC guidelines.	
However, if a show wants to be part of the Heritage Circuit they must comply with the rules.	
Insurance may be another consideration. Currently Capri does not require helmets, for example.  ACTION ITEM: to get more information from AON and other insurers on this issue to determine who's authority rules.	
5. Nominations for director positions and biographies have been available on the SHF website	This was done and information appeared on the website.

## Report from the Chair

S. Brodsky noted that her full report is contained in the 2019 Calendar and Annual Report. As this is her last term as Chair, she acknowledged current Vice Chair, Carol Masecar and thanked the great board this year for their support, indicating they fully understand the direction necessary for the Federation. She also acknowledged the Federation funder, Sask Sport and Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust fund for their ongoing support and the impact that makes on Saskatchewan equestrian sport. She also thanked the Executive Director, Audrey Price and staff, Pam Duckworth, Averil Parsons, Laurel Golemba and Leanne Wesdyk. She concluded by thanking her husband, Jack, and her family for supporting her as she carried out her responsibilities which made that much easier. She has been pleased to be part of the SHF and all the activities as a board member and volunteer.

## **Financial Report**

The 2018 Audited Financial Statements were presented by Vice President Finance A. McKim. He noted highlights of the report:



- 2018 Sask Sport funding increased over 2017 from \$311,900 to \$337,400 for the third consecutive year.
- The member assistance program grant of \$68,600 was fully distributed.
- Membership increased resulting in \$2,000 increased revenue.
- Self-generated funds primarily come through the raffle. Sales were down and the program is being revamped for 2019. With the combination of reduced raffle sales and the SLGA grant tied to revenue, the shortfall is \$9,200.
- Investments were impacted by market conditions resulting in a \$3,300 loss. A new investment policy has been implemented allowing only GIC investments to protect the principle in future.
- Through the various SHF Grant programs \$119,221 was returned to the members.

The SHF experienced a deficit in 2018 of approximately \$30,000 primarily due to the investment market volatility and the significant shortfall in raffle revenue. The Board was aware of this and has put new measures in place to address.

**Motion 20190903-M03** To accept the 2018 Audited Financial Statements as presented. M/S L. Gilchrist/R. Farrow. Carried

## 9. Appointment of Auditor

**Motion 20190903-M04** To appoint Robert Szautner, of RDS Professional Chartered Accountants, as Auditor for the Saskatchewan Horse Federation for 2019.

M/S S. Mawson/K. Murch

Carried

## 10. Nominating Committee Report

D. Howe thanked the committee members and advised that Al McKim and Bobbie Jo Reeves are retiring from the board. Their contributions are very much appreciated.

Directors continuing to serve in 2019 are:

Shirley Brodsky, (Saskatoon) Ron Farrow (Dalmeny) Carol Masecar (Val Marie) Lorraine Gilchrist (Asquith) Jim Sawatsky (Humboldt) Gloria Stephen (Delisle)

Directors completing two-year terms and eligible for re-election to three-year terms and who agreed to allow their name to stand are:

Jason Hanley (Langham) Norm Kohle (Grandora) Shirley Mawson (Battleford) Pat Michael (Regina) Ray Whitney (Moose Jaw)



Two additional nominations, received by January 3, 2019, as stipulated in the Bylaws, were: Marci Perrin (Moose Jaw)
Victoria Kendall (Saskatoon)

The 2019 Board of Directors vacancies include six (6) three-year terms and a one-year term for Director-at-Large.

Each of the seven nominees was offered the opportunity to speak and at the conclusion, ballots were distributed for election of six directors.

Scrutineers for elections will be Gloria Kadlec and Marilyn Pollock with youth member Emily Rowe observing.

#### 12. Welcome 2019 Board of Directors:

Nomination Chair Howe announced the Directors newly elected to three-year terms and welcomed them to the 2019 Board of Directors. They are: Jason Hanley, Norm Kohle, Shirley Mawson, Pat Michael, Ray Whitney and Victoria Kendall.

## 13. First Call for Nominations – Director-at-Large.

This is a one-year term. At First Call for Nominations, the following nominations were made from the floor: Lisa Graham, Marci Perrin, Gloria Kadlec.

## 14. Reports Approval

Motion 20190903-M05 To accept the reports as distributed in the 2009 Calendar.

M/S G. Kadlec /R. Farrow Carried

15. Second Call for Nominations – Director-at-Large. No nominations received.

#### 16. Proposed Bylaw Changes

J. Sawatsky, Chair of the Governance Committee, presented the proposed changes to the bylaws as distributed. The changes to the bylaws are primarily housekeeping to update gender representation.

Motion 20190903-M06 Approve Bylaw sections 5.3 to 6.14 M/S B.J. Reeves/S. Mawson

Carried

Motion 20190903-M07 Approve Bylaw sections 7.1.6 to 10.3 M/S L. Gilchrist/G. Kadlec

Carried

Motion 20190903-M08 Approve Bylaw sections 11.2 M/S B. Gilchrist/S. Mawson

Carried

Motion 20190903-M09 Approve Bylaw sections 13.5 to 19.4.1 M/S L. Graham/B. Gilchrist

Carried

Motion 20190903-M10 Approve Bylaw sections 23 to 25. M/S J. Kirkby/M. Perrin

Carried

The bylaws were reviewed and approved by two-thirds of members in attendance, as required by the bylaws.

#### 17. Third Call for Nominations – Director-at-Large

No nominations received.

Motion 20190903-M11 Nominations to cease for the Director-at-Large position.

M/S R. Farrow/J. Hanley

Carried



18. Nominees for Election The nominees were introduced and invited to speak on their behalf.

Scrutineers for elections will be Lisa Ryland and Marilyn Pollock with youth member Emily Rowe observing.

Marci Perrin is elected to serve a one-year term as Director-at-Large.

Motion 20190903-M12 That the ballots be destroyed.

Carried

M/S G. Kadlec/A. McKim

## 19. Recognition

Retiring directors Bobbi Jo Reeves and Al McKim were recognized by Chair Brodsky for their contributions as they leave the SHF Board.

She also recognized three directors who returned to the board to offer expertise when it was needed and who are now retiring: Doug Howe, Past President; Brenda Gilchrist; and Jill MacDonald.

Past Chair Doug Howe acknowledged the significant contribution that Shirley Brodsky has made to the SHF serving on most if not all committees, traveling the province over the years, and as President now moving to Past President. Shirley was presented a gift in in recognition of her service.

#### 20. President's Award

S. Brodsky presented the President's Award to Shirley Mawson recognizing her outstanding contribution to the SHF competition circuit and equine industry over the years.

#### 21. New Business

There were two motions received by the Resolutions Committee. As both were related to competitions, they were referred to the Heritage/Competitions Committee.

There were no further resolutions received by the Resolutions Committee for Board Consideration.

The Chair reminded members of the process, noting that all resolutions received are referred to the Board and only those constitutional in nature are brought before the members with the others forwarded to the appropriate committees for consideration.

## Recommendations to the Board:

Proposed change to bylaws for consideration at the 2020 SHF AGM to reflect gender neutral reference.

## 22. Adjournment

Motion 20190903-M13 2019 SHF Annual General Meeting be adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Moved by C. Masecar