# Area A 4-H Horse Advisory Committee November --, 2014 5:30 PM Central Video Conference Meeting

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### Call to Order

The meeting was officially called to order at 5:35 PM by the Area A Advisory Committee Chair, Niki Crawson, Holmes County 4-H Agent.

#### Roll Call

Official Roll Call was conducted by Heather Kent, RSA.

Bay	Lucy Notestine
	Dara Strickland
Calhoun	None
Escambia	Hank Bignell
	Anne Peterson
	Kelly Thompson
	Diana Amatt
Franklin	Jeanette Spann
Gadsden	Yolanda Goode
	Terry Harris
Gulf	Melanie Taylor
	Roy Carter
	Jean McMillian
Holmes	Niki Crawson
	Jim Forman
	Jewellyn Owens
Jackson	Angel Granger
	Katricia Edenfield
	Melinda Harrelson
Jefferson	None
Liberty	None
Leon	None

Okaloosa	Misty Smith
	Brittany Wade
	Edie Elder
Santa Rosa	None
Wakulla	Eric Westbrook
	Laurie Westbrook
	Phyllis Dunaway
Washington	Julie P. Dillard
RSA	Heather Kent

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

A motion was made by Julie Dillard to adopt the minutes. Jim Forman seconded the motion. The minutes from the last Area A Advisory Committee meeting of September 29, 2014, were officially adopted.

### **Treasurer Report**

Angel Granger, Jackson County, reported that the current balance of the account is \$3,950.72.

### **Report of Committees**

**State Horse Board Meeting Update** –Barry Hoffman (Leon) and Terry Stout (Okaloosa) No changes since last meeting.

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Proposed Area A Documents for Adoption**

#### **Committee Handbook**

A discussion was held that there would be no leniency to policy. It was requested that the policies be the same as the state handbook. A discussion by Jean was that the appeals be changed from \$50.00 to the \$100.00 that the state issues. A motion was made by Eric to go through the handbook and align with the state handbook policies. Jean seconded the motion. All members but two voted in this motion. Motion carries.

A discussion occurred in which the question was asked why the committee would need to adopt a handbook if the state handbook is followed. Heather stated that the handbook can be edited to reflect only the organization of the committee and procedures for the committee structure to follow. Brittany made a motion to adopt the handbook with the changes made to align with state policies and only include the organization of the committee. Eric seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carries.

### **Constitution & By-laws**

### **Committee Officer Elections**

**President** – Lucy Notestine, Bay County

**Vice-President** – Brittany Wade, Okaloosa County

**Secretary** – No interested parties at this time. Lucy will revisit at the next meeting. Should no one volunteer for the position, Lucy will appoint.

**Treasury** – Jackson County Extension Office

#### Discussion of Class 21 & 22 Poll Numbers

Niki Crawson, Chair, informed the committee that she had taken a poll as requested by the committee to inquire about the potential number of participants for Class 21 and 22 at the 2015 show. Niki reported that only 9 youth were identified as potential participants. Okaloosa County agent stated that she will find out about her county and notify the committee at the next meeting. Angel stated that she was working on getting a location to utilize for 21 & 22.

The committee decided that the facilitation of these 2 classes would be determined by the cost to bring cattle offsite versus the number of participants willing to participate in the event. Heather suggested that the discussion be tabled until the next meeting, when further information can be provided.

### **Review of Show Schedule – Proposals**

Niki, Chair, provided the committee with three different draft proposals provided by the sub-committee that agreed to design a 2015 show schedule. Brittany reviewed the drafts for the committee members on behalf of the sub-committee.

Discussion were held by various committee members to discuss the variance in the proposed schedules. Concerns were expressed by members and addressed by Brittany.

Discussion of adding a Walk/Trot class was held. Brittany stated that the walk/trot classes would give 4-H youth an opportunity to participate that are not quite ready for the other classes. Anne asked if those participating in the walk/trot classes could cross over to the other classes. Brittany stated that this was not an option.

After much deliberation, a motion was put on the table by Jim to add the walk/trot classes into the show. Laurie seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous that the classes would be added this year. Youth cannot enter in these classes and cross over to the other classes. Walk/trot participants will also be asked to sign up for halter and showmanship classes. It was emphasized again that the walk/trot classes added are not eligible for state points or state competition. In addition, youth participating in the walk/trot would receive ribbons of participation or competition from the committee, not the state awards.

### **Review of Show Roles (as determined at last meeting)**

Agent Liaisons – Niki Crawson, Chair; Prudence Caskey, Co-Chair

Registration

**Show Bill** 

**T-shirts** 

Facilities Chair – Angel Granger

Bit and Helmet Check/Pony Measuring – Roy Carter and Terry Harris

Roy Carter will assist with conducting helmet and bit checks during the check in/registration periods. Terry Harris was not available to confirm his assistance at this meeting.

Terry Stout and Jean McMillian will bring the measuring stick for ponies.

#### **Photo Booth**

This year's photo booth will be facilitated by the Jackson County 4-H.

**Announcer** - Angel Granger (Eric Westbrook will assist if needed)

**Judges** - Anne Peterson (Brittany will assist if needed)

**Scoring** - Paula Davis (Niki Crawson will assist if needed)

#### **Awards**

Lucy Notestine, Shane Kenny, and Dara Strickland have agreed to collect incentives for awards again this year.

**Western Chair** – Marcus Boston to check with Barry Hoffman; Speed Division will be facilitated by Roy Carter.

English Chair – Anne Peterson & Brittany Wade

Youth Education Committee - Eric Westbrook, Chair

**Ring Steward** – English Division will be Shane Kenny; Western Division will be Barry Hoffman.

#### **New Business**

None

#### **Announcements**

### **Next Meeting Dates**

Winter/Spring Meeting – January/February TBD

## Adjourn

The meeting was officially adjourned at 6:48 PM by the Area A Advisory Committee Chair, Niki Crawson, Holmes County.