



Registry Council Meeting

Thu May 7, 2026 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT

1. Registry Council Meeting Call to Order

Sandy Currier called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM.

2. Roll Call and determination of a quorum

Registry Council Members Present: Sandy Currier Chair, Allison Deardorff, Sophia Fischer, Steve Gaw, Melissa Moore and Clif Paulsen.

Others Present: Katriona Adams, Sara Mayer and Robin Sibley Carr.

3. Conflict of Interest Declaration

No conflicts of interest were declared. Sandy informed the group that matters discussed by the Registry Council are considered confidential and are not to be shared.

4. Registry Council Charter and Goals for 2026

Sandy read the Registry Council Charter and Goals for 2026.

5. Approval of Minutes of March 24, 2026 Meeting

The minutes of the March 24, 2026 meeting were approved upon motion made by Rachel and seconded by Sophia.

6. Committee Reports

a. Equine Welfare Committee

i. Emergency Grant Application from Saddlebred Rescue

An Emergency Grant Application from Saddlebred Rescue, Inc. was reviewed and after discussion, Rachel made a motion to approve the requested \$20,000 grant with the provision that we have a signed agreement of repayment from Saddlebred Rescue, Inc. before funds are issued.

ii. Revised Equine Welfare Committee Policies

Revised Equine Welfare Committee Policies were reviewed and after discussion, Steve made a motion to approve the revised policies as presented, Melissa seconded and the motion passed.

b. Half Saddlebred Committee

Allison reported that the Half Saddlebred Committee voted to form a Half Saddlebred Charter Club and would like approval from the Registry Council. After discussion, Melissa made a motion to approve, Sophia seconded and the motion passed.

c. Breeders Committee

Melissa provided an update on the work of the Breeders Committee. No action was required of the Registry Council at this time.

d. Prize Programs Committee

Sandy provided an update on the work of the Prize Programs Committee. No action was required of the Registry Council at this time.

7. Review of First Quarter Financials for the Registry Trust

Sandy provided a report on the First Quarter Financials for the Registry Trust noting that it started with a balance of around \$550,000 when the Registry merged with the Association in 2021. She noted that the Council had previously discussed doing a cola every year and also taking out disbursements to use to support registry programs. They had also discussed having a Financial Advisor help with management of the Trust. After discussion, Sophia offered to have the account information run through a Northwestern Mutual advisor as well as a third party recommended by James Nichols. Sophia and Clif will report back at the next meeting.

8. Proposals for Consideration

a. Registry Council Composition Considerations

Rachel presented some Registry Council composition considerations. This matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

b. Deadline for Futurity yearling registrations to be completed

This item was tabled for next meeting.

c. Broodmare Hall of Fame Criteria Proposal

Sandy presented Broodmare Hall of Fame Criteria Proposal to allow ASHA Futurity classes to count for the program regardless of where the classes are held. After discussion, Melissa made a motion to approve, Rachel seconded and the motion passed.

9. Adjourn

Rachel made a motion to adjourn, Clif seconded and the motion was passed.

10. Mission

The mission of the American Saddlebred Horse and Breeders Association is to promote and protect the American Saddlebred Horse with the highest standards of integrity and guarantee the purity of the breed through the recording of pedigrees and the transfer of ownership of the American Saddlebred Horse.

The Association supports all of the activities that make Saddlebred ownership enjoyable and rewarding while working to stimulate and promote interest in the breed. From top breeders to

backyard breed enthusiasts, if you love the Saddlebred, we work to support you in trotting towards your ***#asbdreams***.

11. Registry Rules

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