

AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE AND BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

**Registry Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. ET Via Zoom**

MINUTES

Registry Council Members Present: Kristen Bagdasarian, Julie Behrends-Jones, Larry Hartsock, Anna Marie Knipp, Smith Lilly and Clif Paulsen.

Others Present: Katriona Adams Registrar, Sara Mayer Executive Director and Chris Schubert ASHBA President Elect.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Declare Conflict of Interest

Ms. Bagdasarian called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. ET. Ms. Adams called roll and noted that a quorum was present. Ms. Bagdasarian reminded council members to declare any conflicts of interest. None were declared.

2. Consideration of draft minutes of December 12, 2024 meeting

Ms. Behrends-Jones made a motion to approve the draft minutes of the December 12, 2024 meeting, Mr. Paulsen seconded and the motion was passed.

3. Selection of Registry Council Chairperson

Mr. Paulsen nominated Kristen Bagdasarian as Chair of the Registry Council for 2025, Ms. Behrends-Jones seconded and the motion was passed.

4. Recommendations from the Prize Programs Committee

a. Classes at the Kentucky State Fair and payouts

Ms. Schubert presented a proposal from the Prize Programs committee to piggyback on the KSF Futurity classes. For example, if a horse shows in a KSF Futurity class and is nominated and eligible for the National Futurity, participants would receive National Futurity payouts for showing in those classes. She noted that we are limited on options as far as finding another venue in 2025 or the piggyback option which is essentially using the futurity results from the WCHS to distribute the prize money to eligible participants. We would have to do a consent form and allow for an option of a refund because it is a substantial change in rules. Ms. Knipp expressed concern about the future impact of these decisions and suggested having more open communication with participants about their preferences as well as meeting with KSF representatives.

Ms. Knipp made a motion to request that the Board of Directors discuss adding ASHBA prize programs money as payouts to the prize program classes to be held at the Kentucky State Fair in 2025, Mr. Lilly seconded and motion was passed. If

passed by the Board of Directors, refunds would be offered to nominators who do not wish to participate in added money payouts in 2025.

The council agreed on the need to find alternate venues for Amateur Futurities for 2025 based on the locations of the majority of nominees.

Ms. Knipp made a motion that World Champion titles be awarded for prize program classes held at the Kentucky State Fair in 2025, Mr. Lilly seconded and the motion was passed.

b. Deadline for weanling applications for registration to be post marked

The council discussed challenges with the current deadline of December 31 of the weanling year for applications for registration to be post marked in order to be eligible for yearling futurity classes. The Prize Programs Committee recommends changing the deadline to January 15. After discussion, Mr. Hartsock made a motion to change the deadline to January 15 of the following calendar year, Ms. Behrends-Jones seconded and the motion was passed.

c. Deadline for yearlings to be registered in 2025

The Prize Programs Committee recommends extending the deadline for yearlings to be fully registered in 2025 to May 31 in order to maintain eligibility for yearling futurities. After discussion, Ms. Behrends-Jones made a motion to change the deadline for yearlings to be fully registered from April 30 to May 31 for 2025, Mr. Hartsock seconded and motion was passed.

5. Adjournment

With no other business to address, Ms. Knipp made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Lilly seconded and the meeting was duly adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Submitted by:

Katriona Adams

Registrar

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