

## 1 MEETING OPENED – 03.15 pm

### ATTENDANCE:

L Wear (President), A Lord (Vice President), A Newton (Director / Company Secretary), S McPhee (Director), A Sproules (Director), V Hume (Director) Ron Tidyman (Office Manager), D Wright (Accountant), G Thornton, D Drew, N Jones, D O'Reilly, J Attard, R Tregoning, J Dennis, A Dennis, K Mossman, N Jones, C Seccull, C Burton, D Sullins, D Forester, S Cameron, J Knowles, C Williams, R Williams, P Simpson, S Bone, A Long, N Parker, B Parker, L A Hall, K Mills, K Trigg, T Scown, S Saxer, S Woodham, A Hupp, J Knapton, J Biddle, C Geri, S Sparkman, V Sparkman, J Ayling, S Egan, D Egan, J Hall, S Kinkade, V Sullivan, P Sullivan, R Gillard, R Rehn, R Forester, S Robinson, H Bentley, B Horan, D Shannon, W Shannon, M Savill, G Savill, K Carroll, C Lee, M Hogan, J Conn, S Conn, G Firth, J Ward, M Seccull

### APOLOGIES:

S Maxwell, P Maxwell, E Conlin, L A Shelton, M Shelton, K Shelton, B Pearce, K Lily, S Newton, S Summers

## 2 ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from 15 March 2008.

Moved: A Lord

Seconded: V Hume

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Paint Horse Association held 15 March 2008 be accepted as true and correct.

Against 1 Abstain 4 In favour 62 - **CARRIED**

## 3 BUSINESS ARISING

L A Hall stated that financial reports were not available to members 21 days prior to the AGM as per the Constitution. This has been the case for the past 2 years.

A Newton stated that the documentation was sent to the Auditor on time and that the Auditor accepted full responsibility for the delay.

## 4 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

L Wear read the President's report.

Moved: K Mills moved to receive and accept the President's Report.

Seconded: L A Hall

All in Favour: **CARRIED**

## 5 AUDITOR'S REPORT

L Wear apologised on behalf of the Auditor, Jon Fletcher of Ferrari Gardner for his inability to attend the AGM.

The Auditor's Report was presented by L Wear.

H Bentley asked what the Pacific Premium Insurance Loan on Page 17 of the report was. It was explained that the PHAA took out a loan each year to enable the Association to pay the insurance premiums monthly instead of as one lump sum. This enabled the cost to be spread evenly throughout the year with minimal impact on cash flow. There was no liability attached to obtaining the loan. It was likened to members buying 'pay by the month' car insurance.

L A Hall asked how long D Wright (Accountant) would be kept on contract and if R Tidyman (Office manager) was being trained in the use of MYOB. R Tidyman is being trained in MYOB however there is still a need for her services and she will continue to assist the Association throughout 2009/ Her hours will be reduced.

L A Hall questioned how the Workers Compensation premium costs could be half of what they have been in previous years. It was explained that the reduced costs were because of an over estimation in 2007.

L A Hall asked where the funds from the 2008 Youth Auction were in the financial report. It was explained that the funds were incorrectly allocated to the Youth Trip (after the event).

L A Hall raised concerns about the Futurity account. Some of the costs associated with Futurities did not appear in the right place in the report. The National Show loss would be half of what is shown if items were charged to the correct accounts. There is no amount showing in fund raising. Fund raising money went into the Youth Trip account. The figures should reflect what actually happened.

L A Hall stated that the financial report was not accurate and that the Association has a responsibility to its members to ensure that the accounts are correct.

A Newton responded stating that as per the Auditors report no money was missing from the Association only that some transactions had been applied against the wrong accounts. Further clarification was made that these transactions had been corrected since the accounts were closed off on the 30 December.

B Parker stated that the Auditors written report explaining some of the anomalies should have been tabled at the AGM.

G Thornton asked whether it was possible for the accountant could review the books after 9 months so that errors could be sorted out prior to year end.

## 5 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

L Wear asked that the 2008 Financial Statements be accepted as presented.

Moved: A Sproules

Seconded: A Newton

Against: 17 Abstained: 12 In favour 38 - **CARRIED**

## NOTICES OF MOTION

R Williams and K Trigg nominated as counters.

### MOTION 1 – MOVED: ALISON LORD | SECONDED: SALLY McPHEE

**ARTICLE 12** 1. Replace Article 12 with the following:

12(a)(i) The Board of Directors shall consist of a maximum of seven (7) elected members plus the Immediate Past President.

12(a)(ii) The members of the Board shall consist of ***two directors representing Queensland and the Northern Territory, two directors representing Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, two directors representing New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory and one-director representing international members***, plus the Immediate Past President.

12(a)(iii) ***Members may only be nominated and stand for, a position to represent the State or Territory in which they reside. Only members residing outside of Australia may be nominated and stand for the International position.***

***12(a)(iv) Should there be insufficient nominations to fill all of the positions, they may only be filled in the following manner:***

***(A) By a resident from any state or territory who, in the case of an election does not gain a position representing the state or territory in which they reside, but receives the next largest number of votes taken over all States and Territories.***

***(B) Or in the case where there has been no election this position may be filled by a nomination from the floor at the AGM.***

12(a)(v) There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the President, the Vice President, the Immediate Past President and one additional member of the Board to be elected by the

Board.

COMMENT: This is existing as Article 12(a)(iii)

12(a)(vi) All powers of the Board of Directors, except the power to change rules and regulations pertaining to registration of horses, shall be vested in the executive committee.

COMMENT: This is existing as Article 12(a)(iv)

12(a)(vii) A Director may only hold the position of immediate Past President for a maximum of two (2) consecutive years

**Comment** – A similar motion was presented at the 2008 AGM and was defeated by only 4 votes - it requires a 75% majority vote to pass.

We believe that members should only be allowed to stand for the position of director for the state in which they reside - and only represent another state should there be insufficient nominations from that state. Under the current Article this is not the case. This amendment will clarify the requirements while allowing flexibility to fill all director positions.

The current election process allows for Australian-based candidates to opt for the International Director portfolio should there be more candidates than positions for their respective State/Area and for them to be appointed without a duly held election. The purpose of this motion is to prohibit the appointment of the International Director by this process and to allow for true international representation.

To allow true international representation the International Director should – as the title suggests - reside internationally. This would be in keeping with the current requirement for other Directors to reside within the State/Area that they represent.

Should no international member nominate for the International position and there is an election held to decide other Board positions, then the International position shall be offered to the candidate who is deemed by the membership to be most eligible. This being the candidate who received the most number of votes without securing an Australian based Board position, irrespective of where the candidate resides in Australia.

Should no international member nominate for the International position and there is not an election held to decide other Board positions, then any member may stand from the floor at the AGM and be duly elected, irrespective of where the candidate resides in Australia.

The support of this motion will greatly improve the transparency of Board elections and reflect the true wishes of PHAA members.

For: 50

Against: 55

Abstained: 5

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 2 – MOVED: ARTHUR HUPP | SECONDED: HELEN MORAN**

#### **RULE 218**

Move that Rule 218 be amended to include: competitors in a National All Breeds Show with International judges i.e. NPHA, Australian Halter Showcase, NCHA and NRHA National Shows be awarded double the normal points.

**Comment** – *To encourage necessary promotion of the breed by PHAA members at a national level.*

For: 70

Against: 40

Abstained: 0

## **CARRIED**

### **MOTION 3 – MOVED: KRISTIN CARROLL | SECONDED: LEE WEAR**

That the YISC Futurity allow Paint bred to compete as it is a fundraising event and would attract extra money to support our youth. It would also give our Paint bred an extra class at the National Show. A sweetener to get more Paint bred competing and more money for the kids.

**Comment** –

For: 65

Against: 42

Abstained: 3

## **CARRIED**

### **MOTION 4 – MOVED: ANGELA NEWTON | SECONDED: AMANDA SPROULES**

**ARTICLE 12** When a member has been deemed as not of good standing as per clause 11 (i) and 11 (ii).

**CLAUSE 11** Under common law the determination applies to ALL current memberships held by the member.  
(iii)

**Comment** – This clause is to clarify membership responsibilities as per common law rule.

**For: 65**

**Against: 38**

**Abstained: 7**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 5 – MOVED: SANDRA GLEESON | SECONDED: VICKI HUME**

An Amnesty be set in place for a period of up to 2 years from August 2009 for any QH or TB stallion listed with the PHAA who meet the colour requirements of sufficient white to pass as Sabino or Overo where no upgrade fee is required if the stallion has paid a previous IBF or stallion upgrade.

**Comment** –

**For: 12**

**Against: 98**

**Abstained: 0**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 6 – MOVED: VICKI HUME | SECONDED: ALISHA BARTLEY**

Prior to breeding Overo to Overo both parents must have been DNA'd and have a number recorded if positive OLWS where Overo to Overo breeding only **one** parent may carry the OLWS positive gene. Stallion Breeding Returns must quote DNA number of both mare and stallion.

**Comment** –

**For: 3**

**Against: 104**

**Abstained: 3**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 7 – MOVED: DON BURKE | SECONDED: LEE ANN HALL**

**Rule 135** Rule 135 to be amended to extend the description of Sabino. Amend rule 135 (4) to read – Sabino marked horses with Overo bloodlines will be registered as Overo, exception – a Sabino marked horse that returns a negative test to Overo and meets the minimum colour requirements of rule 103 may be registered as Sabino

**Comment** – There are presently many Sabino marked horses registered in the PHAA as Overo that are negative to the Overo gene, this causes considerable confusion.

**For: 53**

**Against: 46**

**Abstained: 11**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 8 – MOVED: LEE ANN HALL | SECONDED: JEFFREY HALL**

**ARTICLE 42** Add to article “At any general meeting of the Association, no person may hold more than 10 proxies”.

**Comment** –

**For: 45**

**Against: 61**  
**Abstained: 4**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 9 – MOVED: MICHAEL GRASS | SECONDED: L FRANKLIN**

Formation of an Appendix registry with PHAA

**Comment** – As a member of the PHAA and a soon to be stallion owner (waiting on upgrade) I am proposing the formation of an Appendix registry to allow paint horse cross Australian Stock Horse to have the ability to be registered.

This could have the advantages for the Association as it already has for the AQHA. Advantages would include a greater number of registrations meaning more income for PHAA, greater exposure of the paint horse breed, i.e. paint horses in camp draft, paint horses in polorosse / polo, stockman's challenges etc.

I and I presume many other members are fully confident in the abilities of the paint horse to excel in these areas, which for the most part have been predominated traditionally by ASH horses, but in more recent times has seen quarter horses and QH/ASH crosses excel also.

The AQHA has been quick to recognise and adopt an appendix registry and has met with a large amount of success as a result. A horse that comes to mind for example is Nonda Yothu Yindi, by Docs Freckles Oak out of a stock horse mare. He is a stud book stock horse stallion and an appendix registered QH stallion, sold for \$28,000.00 (est.) and made all back in first year of service.

Therefore my recommendation is to form an appendix registry and allow 1st cross, 2<sup>nd</sup> cross and stud book stock horses to be bred to paint horses. This could take a 3 step process as in the AQHA to maintain integrity of the breed.

A1 bred to a paint horse would give A2, bred to another paint horse A3 and a subsequent paint horse breeding would give a fully reg paint horse. Appendix horses could also be bred with the appendix registry e.g. A2 over A1 would give A1 etc.

**For: 2**  
**Against: 107**  
**Abstained: 1**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 10 – MOVED: DON BURKE | SECONDED: LEE ANN HALL**

**RULES 103 & 107**

Rules 103 and 107 be amended to include horses into the Regular Registry that meet the bloodline requirements and show sufficient qualifying white hair that presently would be registered into the Paint Bred Registry on the following proviso –

The horse must be visually recognizable as a Paint Horse, must have sufficient underlying pink skin or in the absence of underlying pink skin must test positive to Overo or Tobiano.

**Comment** – This will allow horses into the Regular Registry that show “sufficient colour” but lack the underlying pink skin. For the onlooker it is the white hair that identifies the horse as a Paint Horse, not the underlying pink skin. Only horses that test positive to one of the 2 recognised colour genes that show sufficient colour will qualify, therefore they are “Paint Horses”.

**For: 32**  
**Against: 68**  
**Abstained: 10**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 11 – MOVED: LEANNE GIDMAN | SECONDED: MARK GIDMAN**

To have all Paint bred DNA tested and that all positive Overo Paint bred have regular registration and full showing rights.

**Comment**

**For: 12**  
**Against: 98**  
**Abstained: 0**

## **DEFEATED**

### **MOTION 12 – MOVED: SANDRA GLEESON | SECONDED: SERENA LEWIS**

Currently solid geldings (SIRE: QH or Thoroughbred and DAM: Solid (OLWS Negative n / n i.e. Paint Bred Mares) have no registration rights with the PHAA. This rule needs to be wavered not only to confer parentage / breeding but also to promote progeny from Paint Bred Mares in performance fields such as cutting, reining and camp drafting. Therefore it is proposed that solid geldings (SIRE: QH or Thoroughbred and DAM: Solid (OLWS Negative n / n i.e. Paint Bred Mares) that meet the blood requirements but do not meet the minimum colour requirement be eligible for registration in the PHAA registry and allowed to compete in open competition classes. This registration can be achieved by a rule change to the eligibility criteria for either paint bred or breeding stock registration or by the establishment of new gelding amnesty.

Comment

**For: 6**

**Against: 100**

**Abstained: 4**

**DEFEATED**

## NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

L Wear advised the results of the Board Of Directors election.

Queensland / Northern Territory

New South Wales

Victoria / South Australia / Western Australia / Tasmania

Open

Angela Newton / Amanda Sproules

Denis Drew / Neville Jones

Vicki Hume / Claire Geri

Alison Lord

Laurel-Lee Wear remains on the Board as Immediate Past President.

Vicki Hume and Claire Geri were elected unopposed and therefore will need to stand down at the next Annual General Meeting.

All other Directors have been voted for by members and will be on the Board for 2 years.

## APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Ferrari Gardner has withdrawn their services due to increased auditing requirements / regulations. They are withdrawing their services to several clients.

Quotes from a number of other Accountants had been sought with three presented at the AGM.

Nominated Christies Public Accountants.

Moved: A Sproules

Seconded by K Mills.

All in favour – **CARRIED**

## AWARDS

PHAA Superior Allround Horse Number10 was awarded to “Garth Brooks” #4659 with a bronze statue presented to Meredith Reihn

PHAA Superior Youth Number 2 was awarded to Sarah Burke who was presented with a bronze statue

Hall of Fame induction of the horse “Packard Lodge War Paint” #0555 with a photographic memento presented to Christine Lee

Meeting closed: 6.30 pm