

2008 annual meeting decisions:

1. Regarding the agenda item for funding of events and marketing: The increased costs of printing and postage, as well as the increased interest in exhibiting the Spanish Mustang in various events necessitate more income.

The membership voted to double the dues amounts effective July 1, 2009.

- a. Single memberships will cost \$40,
- b. Family memberships will cost \$50,
- c. Youth memberships will cost \$30.

1. Event Funding

- a. Members desiring funding will submit a request to the SMR Secretary postmarked **by** December 31st describing the event, identifying the date and the approximate costs.
- b. All received requests will be assigned an equal portion of the money allocated for horse events for that fiscal year.
- c. The Spanish Mustang Registry banner and 25 brochures will be mailed to the person requesting the funding for the event. The banner may be mailed by the Secretary or by another member who is in possession of the banner for a preceding event.
- d. The person requesting funding for the event will be responsible for returning the banner to the Secretary or for mailing it to the contact member for the next event.
- e. The person requesting funding for the event will be responsible for taking photos and writing an article to be submitted to the editors for the annual or the newsletter.
- f. The Spanish Mustang Registry banner must be displayed at the event booth(s) from the beginning of the event until the end and no other equine registry banners or signs will be displayed in the booth(s) during that time.
- g. Money will be treated as a reimbursement. Receipts from the event equal to or greater than the allocated amount must be mailed to the Treasurer to receive the allocated amount.

These procedures will be documented in the Policies and Procedures.

1. Updating of the Breed Standard:

- a. The senior inspectors will submit a revised Breed Standard document to the BOD by August 4th.
- b. The BOD will make a decision on the Breed Standard document by Oct. 1st.

1. Senior Inspector conducted inspector training sessions. To assist the directors in defining guidelines for these sessions to insure content consistency and non-biased presentation:

- a. the senior inspectors will develop a draft guideline to be used by any senior inspector who conducts inspector training sessions. This draft guideline will be sent to the BOD by March 1st, 2009.
- b. The BOD will review the draft guideline and be prepared to present it at the 2009 business meeting. The guideline will then become part of the Policies and Procedures manual.

1. Decisions regarding AI and ET:

- a. Directors voted to uphold rules established by member ballot in 1986 permitting registration with the SMR of no more than 100 foals per stud per year by AI and no more than 3 foals per mare per year by ET.
- b. Directors voted to uphold the rule established in 1995 to approve the use of frozen semen.
- c. Directors decided the Registrar should NOT accept for registration any foals conceived by frozen AI from any deceased stallion until such time as guidelines have been established to insure an audit trail.

Directors voted to uphold rules established in 1992 regarding forms to be used for AI and ET. These rules were documented in the 1993 Policies and Procedures and have not been modified. The forms can be supplied by the veterinarian or the SMR but require the notarized signature of the stallion owner, the mare owner, and the veterinarian. The actual collecting or insemination may be performed by a technician but a veterinarian must be willing to sign the forms or sign a document validating the process.

1. Regarding the business meeting agenda item concerning the purchase of a video camera, the intent is to create a “library” of material. This could be inspector training material, horse inspections, horse events, other seminars, etc. As an alternative the membership and BOD agreed that Simrat Khalsa and Jane Greenwood will become the SMR Archival Committee.
 - a. They will make recommendations to the BOD by October 1st, 2008.
 - b. The BOD will make a decision on those recommendations by Dec. 31st, 2008.
 - c. The recommendations are to include how media is to be submitted, what is eligible for reimbursement, where the media and any backups are to be stored, how it will be available to the membership and any costs associated with that, etc.

The Archival Committee recommendations will be included in the Policies and Procedures.

1. The directors appointed Julie Moore to replace Martine Lettau who has resigned as the webmaster.
2. The directors decided that **EVERY** edition of the SMR annual will contain:
 - a. Articles of Incorporation, By Laws, Policies and Procedures.
 - b. Points and Awards guidelines
 - c. Breed Standards
 - d. Membership application
 - e. Horse registration form