

Summary of decisions from annual business meeting and Board of Directors meeting in June, 2011:

- 1) Charles D. Mahan won the Director election
- 2) **Breed Standards** are approved and will appear in the next newsletter and the 2011 annual.
- 3) **The IRS denied the SMR's application for 501c3 status; we remain classified as a 501c5.**
- 4) **Senior Inspector Testing** will only occur at a meeting. Qualifications will be determined by an oral test with a part being descriptive using a horse diagram or actual horse. The questions will be documented and extracted from the Breed Standards. Tests will be offered individually, twice at a meeting, at least 12 hours apart. Candidates must pass the test at 95% accuracy. Tests will be administered by all three members of the BOD and/or their designees, but at least three people. The BOD reserves the right to appoint as a senior inspector someone who has demonstrated a knowledge base gained from the years of exposure to the horse or experience with the horse by living in the environment, attending meetings, etc. These individuals may not have attended the required number of inspector training sessions but must still pass the documented exam.
- 5) The position of Characteristics Analyst will be eliminated.
- 6) In a cost cutting move, the SMR By-Laws and Policies and Procedures documents will no longer be published in every annual. These will be supplied to new members and sent to the entire membership every 4 years or if they undergo significant changes. Updates to Policies and Procedures will be published in the newsletter.
- 7) The BOD decided that the results of a horse's DNA test belong to the "owner of record" of the horse. The lab sends the results of the DNA tests to the Registrar, who files a copy with the horse's registration information, and mails a copy to the "owner of record". Additional copies, or replacement copies, of the DNA test are available to the "owner of record" for \$5 each. Other individuals will not be supplied with a copy of the horse's DNA test except as they may be provided by the horse's owner.
- 8) Regarding a proposal to go from a board of three directors to a board consisting of the directors as well as the officers: The BOD is elected, the officers are appointed, should an error be made and the SMR gets sued, the BOD is the responsible party for any lawsuits. Officers are encouraged to attend the board meetings and input from the officers is welcomed and appreciated but any liability will be shouldered by the elected BOD.
- 9) Regarding a proposal to remove the requirement for the breeder/owner signature on the Registration document: Knowledge of the breeder/owner must be documented before a registration or a sale can take place. The breeder's signature is preferred but other acceptable documents in lieu of the breeder signature are a bill of sale, a certified letter, a brand inspection, a judge's decree, a divorce decree, or other document to prove that you are legitimately able to sell or register that horse.

- 10) Although the Registry was officially closed in June 2010 there are still skipped generation situations that may require a physical inspection of a horse. Although not documented, the past practice of the SMR has been that the owner has one year from the date of the inspection to register the approved horse(s). After one year from the date of the inspection of the approved horse(s), if the horse(s) has not been registered, the owner must write a letter to the President, with a copy to the Registrar, explaining why the paperwork has not yet been done; for example, blizzard, flood, fire, medical emergency, etc. At that point the individual has an additional 60 days to register the horse(s) or the inspection would have to be redone. This past practice will be added to the Policies and Procedures document.
- 11) The 2012 meeting will be held at Stinkin' Jim's campground near Vardaman, Mississippi. The 2013 meeting is tentatively scheduled for Utah, pending determination of a suitable location.
- 12) The director position up for election in 2012 must be filled by a senior inspector residing in Wyoming. Members of the 2012 Nominating Committee are:
 - a. Don Suchy
 - b. Fred Fulcher
 - c. John Adams
 - d. Cindy Torres
 - e. Russ Burns
 - f. ?