American Red Poll Association National Membership meeting Minutes October 1, 2016 Murray, Kentucky

President Dan Schmiesing called the meeting to order and asked for roll call. Secretary Kaye Gilbert reported 41 members signed into the meeting.

Chaplain Brian Fairchild led an invocation to open the meeting.

Dan Schmiesing asked the attendees to review the minutes of the 2015 National Membership Meeting held in Springfield, Missouri. Gale Spegal made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Joe Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

Kaye Gilbert presented and read the list of new applicants for membership in the American Red Poll Association for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, which included 19 paid memberships. Brian Shuter made a motion to accept the new membership list as presented. Jeff Wilkins seconded. Motion carried.

Jim Jackson presented the Show Committee report. It was noted the National Show at NAILE has a shortened schedule this year. Jim reported the entry deadline was October 8 for NAILE, however, the ownership deadline in the premium book states October 1. Dan Schmiesing reported the board would be discussing the ability to buy in the sale and also show in the National Show given the dates. Phil Wyrick noted the change in leadership at the NAILE office.

Bill Wiese presented the Performance Committee report. Discussion was made on the CHR. Bill presented the advantages of being a member of CHR, information received, weights and the importance to have for EPDs. He strongly encouraged everyone to use. Dan Schmiesing expounded. He pointed out the information on the membership booth and offered to educate anyone with questions.

Dan Schmiesing presented the World Tour Committee report. Dan commented on the upcoming 2017 tour and discussed the Purina Research Farm visit on June 14, 2017. Purina has made the decision to provide the meal for the tour participants. Dan encouraged all those from the western states including Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma to attend to show Purina our appreciation. Discussion was made of the conference and what Purina could offer in grass fed. He asked if members planning on attending could notify him.

Dan Schmiesing presented the Archives Committee Report. Archives are available on CD or thumb drive of Magazines from 1920 to present. It is near to a complete set. Every magazine that could be found has been scanned and archived. CDs are \$10 and thumb drives are \$20 for the Endowment Fund.

Jeff Wilkins, JL Morrison and Brian Fairchild presented the National Sale and Meeting Committee Report. Jeff asked the team to stand. The committee presented the itinerary, times and locations. The committee discussed the Questionnaire and the importance of giving it back. The committee also noted the board, committee members and secretary would have buttons on to note who they were. Jeff noted the individuals provided by the college. JL Morrison discussed the Endowment auction with several nice items as well as the laptop raffle, donated by Blue Ridge Association for proceeds to go to the juniors.

Teresa Jackson presented the Junior report. She reported the Chamber of Commerce of Murray having a basket for raffle and discussed the Junior Preview Show. It was noted the Junior Preview Show would be at the end of the World Tour. Teresa reported the awards have been updated. Diamond Excel deadline will be November 1 and presented at NAILE. Stonebrook Scholarship deadline will be October 15 and may be presented at NAILE also. The membership was informed of the Junior Bylaw change regarding membership dues and the update had passed to reflect current practices.

Dan Schmiesing presented the Bylaws Committee report and opened the floor on the proposed changes. Phil Wyrick opposed the change of Purebred versus Fullblood and explained nothing pure anymore and it is a

marketing tool. Dan Schmiesing addressed the percentage and complimented the breeders. Caleb Cunningham addressed it being able to introduce new members and new numbers. Mike Parks understood the needs for cleaning up the bylaws but feels it needed to be rethought. George Shaffer noted we shouldn't have to match up to other breeds and we need to stay unique. Bill Wiese made a motion to approve the changes to the bylaws as presented. No second was given. Motion died.

John Rager presented the Finance Committee report. He noted in account number 1154, ARPA Endowment fund, there was a contribution of \$6000, however, the contributor wished to remain anonymous. John noted there were two audits, one at the end of Brian Shuter's employment and one at the end of the fiscal year. Mary First reported everything was okay. Dan Schmiesing noted how meticulous Mary is and how noting everything is okay by Mary's standards was an excellent report. Kaye reported on the number of cattle registered. James Campbell asked about the bad debt expense. Dan explained both instances of the write off. **Mike Parks made a motion to approve the Financial Report as given. James Campbell seconded. Motion carried.**

Bill Wiese presented the Nomination Committee report and started the introduction to the nominees. James Campbell of Missouri, JL Morrison of Virginia, John Rager of Indiana, Kyle Young of Kentucky were all introduced and spoke to the membership. Brian Fairchild nominated Mike Reed and he addressed the membership. Jeff Doll made a motion to close nominations. No second. Motion failed. Allison Young nominated Kim Scott from Kansas. Gale Spegal made a motion to close nominations. Joe Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

Bill Wiese read voting instructions. Voting was done, paper ballots were collected and counted. While votes were being counted, Dan Schmeising noted no old business. Dan Schmeising discussed the Bill Hays letter in the journal, discussion of straws of semen and the costs of collection.

Dan Schmiesing called for new business. Bob Carson encouraged putting a small ad in the journal and also to be put on the website.

Dan Schmiesing discussed the CHR fees and EPDs. After a brief discussion, the votes were announced. Bill Wiese reported the votes were counted and two were ineligible due to only 41 could vote and 43 votes were counted. A revote was issued. After a revote and count, Bill Wiese announced the new Board members would be James Campbell, Kyle Young and JL Morrison.

Mike Parks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Wiese seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye Gilbert Executive Secretary-Treasurer