



**FMC Meeting
September 9, 2020
Zoom Meeting**

In Attendance:

Sharon Bechler- Central California Friesian Horse Club
Janice DeBoer Vermerris – Michigan Friesian Horse Association
Will Bron - Northwest Friesian Horse Club
Danielle Barrasso - Friesian Horse Association of New England
Nina Miller – West Coast Friesian Horse
Danielle Piascik– North East Friesian Horse Club
Beatrice Whiteley – Friesian Horse Club of Southern California
Kay Veinotte – Pacific Horse Club
Tammy Ammen – FHAME
Carrie Blair – Ohio Valley Friesian Horse Association
Jack Vanderkooy – Ontario Friesian Horse Club

Angie DePuydt – FHANA Board Representative
Jo Ann Clough– Administrator
Kelly Twambly – Administrator

Members Not Present:

Greg Walsh – Sierra Nevada Friesian Horse Club
Lori Brock – North Michigan Friesian Club
Annie Muilwijk – Alberta Friesian Horse Association
Beverly McGowan - Lone Star Friesian Horse Club
Allison Sable – Mountain Time Friesian Chapter
Tiffany van der Kooi – Great Lakes Friesian Horse Association
Anna Osinga – Atlantic Canada Friesian Horse Association
Margaret Devetten - Alberta Friesian Horse Association

- 1. Call to Order-** The September 9, 2020 meeting was called to order by Ms. Bechler at 8:10 EDT. Ms. Bechler provided an update on the tragic California fires and its impact on residents, horses, and pets. Mr. Bron also commented how difficult it has been for his communities.
- 2. Approval of the July minutes-** Ms. Barrasso motioned to approve the August minutes and Mr. Bron seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



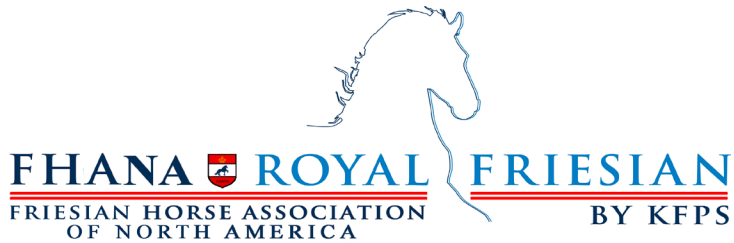
Old Business

3. **FHANA Board Update.** Ms. DePuydt provided the following updates:
 - a. The Board has decided to hold the 2022 AGM in Fox Woods, Connecticut.
 - b. The 2021 AGM will be held in Kentucky. This will not be the typical AGM due to Covid and travel restrictions. A subset of the Board is affected by these restrictions. The Zoom platform will be utilized.
 - c. The Finance Committee made a motion to create a new membership category, the *Non-Member* category. This category is designated for individuals who are transferring registration papers but are not seeking full membership benefits. This new category will cost \$50 and will allow the individual to add their horse into the system. Mr. Tice and his staff are cleaning up old files on these cases and they will be reaching out to these individuals to explain this new membership option.
 - d. Ms. DePuydt reminded all the social distancing shows. To date, 52 horses have registered. The East Show will start this upcoming Saturday at 10 EDT. You can also watch the event via live stream on FHANA's FB page.
 - e. The deadline for submitting the Inspection applications is October 15th, 2020 for a 2021 Inspection. Every site must submit an application.
 - f. The FHANA election process starts November 1, 2020. Nominations will be accepted at this time. Ms. DePuydt will not be running again and there may be two additional open seats.

Ms. Bechler recommended that all log into the East Show this weekend. She thanked the Board for moving forward with this new initiative.

New Business

4. **Round Table Discussion –**
 - a. Ms. Clough announced that a survey has been sent to Site Hosts by the Inspection Committee relating to members' preferences for runners. This is a short survey that will be utilized for planning for the 2021 event. She asked that the Site Hosts discuss these survey questions with their members to obtain input from a broad base. Ms. Miller asked if the survey could be sent to others as well. It was also recommended that the survey be sent to Chapter Presidents. Ms. DePuydt commented that she would advise that the survey be sent to all FHANA members. She indicated that responses to past surveys has not robust but should be considered.
 - b. Mr. Vanderkooy reminded all that Ms. Lisa Baker was seeking recommendations for members who could assist with the development of



educational materials. He asked if the KFPS would have videos that could be translated and utilized by FHANA. Ms. DePuydt indicated that she would follow up on his suggestion. Mr. Bron commented that members are seeking basic information on Inspection preparation such as handling. It was noted that the runners are a distinct group, that they are separate from the KFPS. Ms. DePuydt reminded all that the recommendation for short videos came from the FMC. In addition, she reported that a new video will be released shortly by the Education Committee and that short videos relating to grooming were released last year. Mr. Vanderkooy indicated that having a series of short videos make sense. Ms. Bechler indicated that the videos do not have to be made by a professional, that short videos are organic and practical for members and they are not resource intensive.

- c. Mr. Vanderkooy inquired about the three stallion candidates. The final videos were submitted to the KFPS. Mr. Arts will be working with the chosen stallions in California, dates are yet to be determined.
- d. Ms. Bechler inquired if assistance is needed for the 2021 AGM and Ms. DePuydt responded that help is not needed.
- e. Mr. Vanderkooy asked Ms. DePuydt to reconsider and to run again for a Board seat in this upcoming election. He noted that her experience makes her a great candidate for 2021. She was thanked for her service by FMC members.

5. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, October 14.

6. Motion to Adjourn – Mr. Vanderkooy motioned to adjourn, and Ms. Barrasso seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recorder – Jo Clough