



#### Breeding Committee Minutes:

Attendance: Chair: Ruth Baugh, Allison Thomas, Julee' Kula, Charlotte Dumford and Marita Floryn

#### Budget Information:

Measure Goal: 345 Measure Actual: Foal Registrations Revenue Budget: \$150,000.00 Revenue Actual: Registrations + Genetic Testing Expense Budget: \$23,000.00 Expense Actual: Parental & Genetic Verification Strategic Planning Goal: To educate breeders in having a successful breeding program

December 14, 2020 Meeting of the Breeding Committee

Attending: Allison Thomas, Charlotte Dumford, Marita Floryn, Julee' Kula and Ruth Baugh, Chair

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Ruth opened the meeting with the news that she still has had no success in the article on Foal Hernias from the vet she contacted about it last August. We have decided to have Charlotte contact the vet she suggested as an alternate. We feel this is important information to have and we would like to have it available for the next issue if possible before foaling season really begins.

We had some additional discussion on the Breeders recognition project and have decided to do a little more research before hopefully presenting it to the first Board meeting in 2021.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

We have been fortunate to have contributed many articles for THE FRIESIAN this year and discussed some ideas for future articles. Mentioned were:

1. Addressing birth leg deformities, contracted tendons and tendon laxity in newborn foals
2. The best age to start young horses both under saddle and in harness and the pros and cons about beginning training before major growth plates have closed. It was mentioned that there is a possibility of someone speaking at the 2022 AGM about Sport Medicine who could also address these questions.

We have all had people asking about how to choose the best stallion match for their mare. It was suggested that this could be a possible additional class at the 2022 AGM for those interested. The Breeding Committee members would then be on hand to a limited number of people to help navigate the KFPS site in getting the information needed to make the best stallion choices for their particular mares. It was mentioned that we might first trial this with a webinar to get a better feel for addressing these questions.

Ruth, reiterated that this meeting would be her last as Breeding Committee chairman and thanked all members for their great support, ideas and commitment.

Next meeting will be scheduled for Monday, January 4th, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 7:42

