



**FMC Meeting
November 18, 2020
Zoom Meeting**

In Attendance:

Sharon Bechler- Central California Friesian Horse Club
Janice DeBoer Vermerris – Michigan Friesian Horse Association
Danielle Barrasso - Friesian Horse Association of New England
Beatrice Whiteley – Friesian Horse Club of Southern California
Jack Vanderkooy – Ontario Friesian Horse Association
Tiffany van der Kooi – Great Lakes Friesian Horse Association
Klazien Sietsma - Alberta Friesian Horse Association
Marvel Jeffcoat – South Central Friesian Horse Association
Beverly McGowan - Lone Star Friesian Horse Club
Anna Osinga – Atlantic Canada Friesian Horse Association
Will Bron - Northwest Friesian Horse Club

Angie DePuydt – FHANA Board Representative
Jo Ann Clough– Administrator

Members Not Present:

Greg Walsh – Sierra Nevada Friesian Horse Club
Lori Brock – North Michigan Friesian Club
Annie Muilwijk – Alberta Friesian Horse Association
Allison Sable – Mountain Time Friesian Chapter
Kay Veinotte – Pacific Horse Club
Tammy Ammen – FHAME
Carrie Blair – Ohio Valley Friesian Horse Association
Nina Miller – West Coast Friesian Horse
Danielle Piascik– North East Friesian Horse Club
Kelly Twambly – Administrator

1. **Call to Order-** The November 18, 2020 meeting was called to order by Ms. Bechler at 7:04 EDT. Ms. Bechler welcomed Klazien Sietsma who will be replacing Margaret Devetten. Ms. Bechler wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.
2. **Approval of the October minutes** - Ms. Bechler asked if there were any changes to the October minutes. Mr. Vanderkooy asked that the owners of Floris, the Piovarchy family, be added to section 3A. He asked for clarification of the term “potential candidates” for



the stallions, Floris and Auwen. Ms. DePuydt indicated that these two stallions could be seen for a re-Keuring if they were willing to travel but were not officially invited to the 70-day testing. Following this discussion and these additions, Ms. Barrasso motioned to approve the minutes and Ms. McGowan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

3. **FHANA Board Update.** Ms. DePuydt provided the following updates:
 - a. The BOD and KFPS approved the draft 2021 Inspection schedule (page 4). Next year there will be four circuits, an additional circuit is being added for Canada. Hopefully with an early circuit in Canada the weather will be better. She noted that Inspection coverage gaps exist in the southeast and southwest
 - b. An award for Sports Lifetime Achievement has been approved by the BOD that is like the Hall of Fame award.
 - c. The Membership Committee has been working hard on the *We Speak Friesian*. Initiative. This information will be available in 2021. An update on the FHANA history will be available soon.
 - d. A FHANA outreach initiative will be implemented, new members will be directly contacted by select members welcoming them to our association. New members will also receive FHANA's new Friesian book as a welcome gift.
 - e. Nominations for the Board is active and closes the end of the month. There are three open seats.
 - f. The FHANA membership drive is around the corner. After that, chapter renewals will start.
 - g. Mr. Vanderkooy asked about the 70-Day testing - What is likely to occur with the judges' travel? Ms. Bechler indicated that the initial plan was for the judges to come the week before Christmas; however, plans are still up in the air.

4. **Inspection/Education update – Will Bron**
 - a. Mr. Bron provided an update on the Inspection education initiative. The November and December webinars are cancelled. The educational opportunity will start in January. There will be a series of classes over a period of five months that they will refine based on feedback from participants.
 - b. Ms. Clough reported a change in the IBOP. Preliminary information can be found at - <https://fhana.com/news/new-ibop-starting-january-the-1st-riding-and-driving-remain-the-same/>
 - The new revised test includes but is not limited to: changes to the medium canter requirement: the dressage boards around the ring will be removed for the under-saddle test, which will be ridden under the same circumstances as the driving: dimensions of the ring for these tests will be 25 x 50 meters; and the possibility to repeat certain exercises at the request of the Jury. These changes are intended to improve performance, and best demonstrate their gaits. This is not a dressage test.
 - Ms. Osinga reported that this information is in the Phryso publication but needs to be translated to English.
 - c. Mr. Vanderkooy indicated the venue they use for Inspections is not available for



the 2021 dates assigned to them. He will reach out to his Canadian peers to see if the dates can be switched.

New Business

5. Round Table Discussion –

- a. Mr. Bron provided an update on the organizational challenges facing the KFPS. The President and three board members resigned due to several disputes; there has been controversy and dissatisfaction for several years that has come to a head. Mr. Bron expects that we will see significant changes in the KFPS rules and regulations as an outcome of this unfortunate, chronic situation. Mr. Bron indicated that people in the Netherlands are quite upset and that he is pleased that this has finally become a public conversation.
- b. Stallion testing in the NL - the final assessment of the Central Examination has been delayed and will now take place on 21 November.
- c. Mr. Vanderkooy discussed the benefits of location Keurings compared to off-site Keurings. In addition, the benefit of allowing horses to acclimate at sites before judging.

6. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, December 17.

7. Motion to Adjourn – Ms. McGowan motioned to adjourn, and Ms. Barrasso seconded that motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recorder – Jo Clough

Inspection Schedule Draft 4

<u>Circuit 1</u>		<u>Registered</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Sept. 23	Washington	15	14
Sept. 25	Montana	25	22
Sept. 27	Nevada	25	22
Sept. 29	Southern California	25	21
Oct. 1-2	Central California	64	48
Oct. 3 or 4	Mare Show-West		
<u>Circuit 2</u>			
Sept. 22	Michigan	20	17
Sept. 24-25	Michiana	75	61
Sept. 27-28	Wisconsin	49	45
Sept. 30	Kansas	31	27
Oct. 2	Texas 1 – Dallas Area	14	14
Oct. 3 or 4	Texas 2 – Houston Area		
<u>Circuit 3</u>			
Sept. 23	Tennessee	45	35
Sept. 25	Florida	19	17
Sept. 28	Ohio	54	48
Sept. 30	New England	29	26
Oct. 4	Iron Spring Farm	47	45
Oct. 6	Mare Show-East		
<u>Circuit 4</u>			
Sept. 2	Maritimes		
Sept. 4	Quebec	16	16
Sept. 6-7	Ontario	51	48
Sept. 9	Alberta	21	19
Sept. 11	British Columbia	25	23