

Education Committee Meeting: December 8th. 2020

Present: Lisa Baker (Chair), Angie DePuydt (Board Liaison), Marion Troyer, Sharon Bechler.

Absent: Eliese Tillman.

Budget Information

Measure Goal: N/A at this time	Measure Actual: \$0
Revenue Budget: \$0	Revenue Actual: \$0
Expense Budget: \$0	Expense Actual: \$0

Education Classes (Cancelled for 2020)

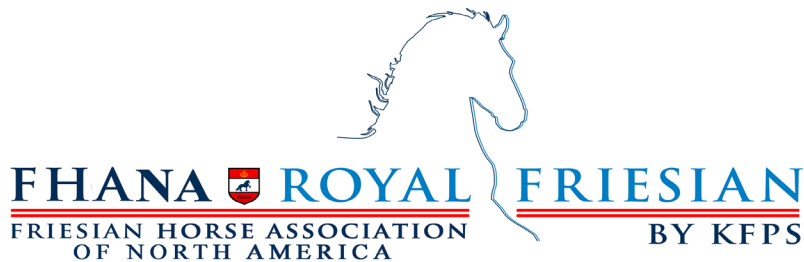
Measure Goal: Number of Students	Measure Actual: 0 Students
Revenue Budget: \$0	Revenue Actual: \$0
Expense Budget: \$0	Expense Actual: \$0

FHANA STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS

1.1 Leader in genetic research and equine wellness.

1.2.1 Goal: To be the leader in the equine industry within the Friesian horse in genetic research and equine wellness. We want to work hand in hand with other Agencies, Universities, Non-Profits, and Foundations to be the leaders in research and help support them with their research.

Action Update: Ms. Bechler reported on her progress to develop FHANA's genetic research program. Ms. Bechler has drafted a set of goals for the program she shared with the committee and asked for feedback from the committee. Ms. Bechler will send out the goals to the committee for further review and discuss at the next meeting. Ms. Bechler and Ms. DePuydt discussed the challenge with contacting Vets and gathering information on current/ongoing studies. Ms. DePuydt recommended contacting UC Davis to see if they have any current studies involving Friesians. Ms. Bechler reported UC Davis does have studies ongoing with collagen disorders and ocular diseases. Ms. DePuydt also reported UC Davis has ongoing studies with Chronic Progressive Lymphedema as well. Ms. Baker inquired what is keeping FHANA from donating to the current Megaesophagus genetic research project the Fenway Foundation has initiated. Ms. DePuydt recused herself from the discussion due to her participation in the Fenway Foundation's work. Ms. Bechler agreed with Ms. Baker's suggestion to direct the 2021 funds budgeted for FHANA's Genetic Research Program to the Megaesophagus project. She felt it makes sense for FHANA to



support the study financially as the KFPS is also doing. **Ms. Bechler made the motion to direct the 2021 funds budgeted for FHANA's Genetic Research Program to the Megaesophagus project being conducted by the Fenway Foundation. Ms. Baker seconded the motion. Mr. Troyer voted in favor. Ms. DePuydt abstained. Motion passed.**

Ms. DePuydt reported FHANA has contacted the University of Kentucky's Gluck Equine Research Center regarding the development of a genetic test for Distichiasis in Friesian horses now that UC Davis has published their manuscript which identifies the responsible genetic mutation. Work is now under way at UK to develop the test for FHANA to utilize. In order to ensure the membership is educated fully on the disease, Ms. DePuydt will write an article for the committee to submit to The Friesian magazine's next edition. The test at UK will hopefully be available when the article is published and this should allow breeders the opportunity to test their stallions and mares prior to the start of the 2021 breeding season.

3.4 Improve communication with French and Hispanic members through member liaisons.

3.4.1 Goal: Establish liaisons to help communicate with both the French and Hispanic communities to help them better understand the Rules and Regulations of FHANA/KFPS. Translate information from the website in both French and Spanish.

Action Update: None.

7.2 Outreach programs to non-traditional communities and education tailored to their respective needs.

7.2.1 Goal: Establish a program to help non-traditional communities (Amish & Spanish) to help them gain a better understanding of the Breed and the Association.

Action Update: Ms. Baker reported FHANA will not charge committees the deposit and shipping charges for the booth. Ms. Baker reported Mr. Tice asked for more information about what topics were requested to be discussed at the Michiana Friesian Sale. Mr. Troyer commented he has not received the information he requested from Mr. Miller regarding topics for the speaker. Mr. Troyer will ensure Mr. Miller contacts Mr. Tice to articulate what topics are being requested for the speaker. This information will assist Mr. Tice in determining who is best suited to the speaking role for this educational talk. Ms. Baker will coordinate with Mr. Tice as needed to ensure this action is completed. Ms. DePuydt will fill out the Exhibitors Request form for the Michiana sale and send it to Mr. Tice.

Future Auction Dates/Locations for FHANA Booth:

1. Michiana Friesian Sale. Shipshewana, IN. February 19-20, 2021 (T)
2. Superior Friesian Sale. Mount Hope, OH. April 30th – May 1st, 2021 (T)

7.3 Orientation to FHANA 101

7.3.1 Goal: Establish a basic 101 class that can be easily shared with “New” to the breed members to better understand the breed and the association.

Action Update: Baker reported this initiative is still developing and we are working with the Membership Committee to create the program.

7.4. Make all FHANA educational material available

Action Update: None.

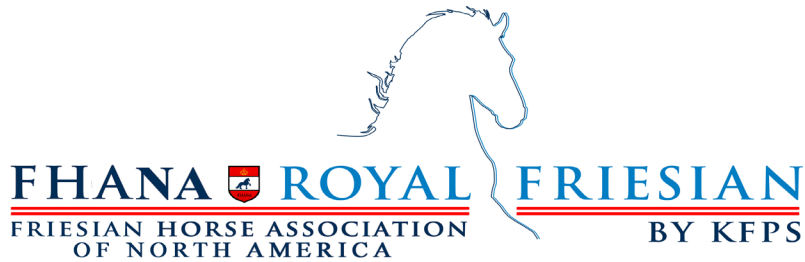
COMMITTEE PROJECTS

1. **Inspection Videos.** Ms. Baker reported she has received the outline for the webinar series from Ms. Zeelen and Mr. Hoekstra along with their dates of availability. Ms. Baker is working with Ms. Zeelen and Mr. Hoekstra to further develop the topics and details of each video. Mr. Tice will host the webinars. The plan is still to begin the series in late January 2021 and conduct one webinar per month leading into late Spring/early Summer.

2. **Articles for The Friesian Magazine.** Ms. Baker reported two articles are currently underway 1) The Pros/Cons of Selling a Horse at an Auction, 2) Do Your Homework – What You Can Do to Prepare Your Horse for Inspection at Home. Ms. Baker will write the inspection prep article and the Editorial Committee has asked for questions to facilitate the auction article. Ms. DePuydt will complete the article about Distichiasis in the Friesian horse. The deadline for these articles is February 1st, 2021.

4. **Webinars.** Ms. DePuydt reported there has been a change in her schedule and she will be unavailable to host any webinars for a few months. The committee agreed with the Inspection webinar series beginning in January we will still be able to provide excellent webinars to the membership. Ms. DePuydt will pick up her webinar projects as soon as she is able to. Projects in the works are Foaling Emergencies and Chronic Progressive Lymphedema.

5. **Education Courses.** Ms. Baker reported Ms. Osborn is willing to continue coordinating the Education Courses outside of the committee and may consider rejoining the committee in the future.



6. Other Business. The committee discussed who would like to continue participating in the committee in 2021. Ms. DePuydt was enthusiastic to continue as a committee member after she leaves the FHANA Board in February but she would prefer not to continue doing the minutes. Ms. Bechler and Mr. Troyer are also extremely pleased to remain on the committee. Ms. Baker will discuss the committee and future members with Dr. Palermo.

Ms. Baker is working on the AGM report. Ms. Bechler will provide her input to Ms. Baker. Ms. Baker will send her draft report out to the committee for their review.

Next Meeting. Tuesday, January 26th at 7pm EST.