PShR Board Meeting December 13, 2023

President AJ Haddenham called the meeting to order via Zoom at 7:30pm central time.

Present: AJ Haddenham, Lucy Stafford, Chris Power, Nicole Mauser-Storer, Kayla Smith, Elizabeth Klocker, Rachel Powell.

Absent: Holly Kemmis, Jen Allen Teske

Secretary's report. Minutes from the meeting of November 8, 2023 sent via email by Elizabeth were discussed for any changes. Rachel made the motion to approve as emailed, Nicole seconded and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report. Report was sent out via email. Chris reviewed the bank balance and changes to such as well as how the balance compared to prior years. All balances were appropriate with no significant change from prior year. The largest expense for 2023 was to get new software for the registry. Nicole made the motion to approve, Rae seconded and the treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

Registrar's report. Acting registrar had nothing to report. A motion was made by Lucy and seconded by Rae to make Nicole the official PShR Registrar. Motion passed unanimously.

Nicole and Rae have worked diligently to update and revise the breeding standards and book placement wording. Standardized wording between books while closely following ISG standards was an important task. Specifically mentioned:

- The removal of a performance requirement for all horses except stallions.
- Clarification is needed on the requirements for "competitive" stallions.
- Determination of how many Shagya's are required in the 4<sup>th</sup> generation to be able to be included in the Sporthorse registry.

Notification of the proposed changes will be sent to the membership followed up with a survey to the membership giving everyone an opportunity for input and suggestions. Because of the holidays, it was decided to send by February 1, 2024.

Vice-President Rachel has sent letters to both ASAV and NASS to inquire on their interest to merge with PShR and have only 1 Shagya Arabian registry in the USA. Letters were sent just a week or so ago and no response has yet been received. All responses are to be directed to Rachel for a cohesive process.

Currently no/few Shagya Arabians are being bred, neither purebred or sporthorse. This is of the highest concern. It was noted none of the registries are breeding at this time or very few. The viability of the breed in the USA will be dependent on new horses. It is a challenge.

Inspection 2024: Discussion on whether to proceed with an inspection followed. AJ has several horses that need to be inspected but are not ready and with upcoming knee surgery, doesn't feel they will be ready. Olivia also has horses needing inspection but it is not known how many or if the horses are ready. Rae proposed and all agreed to postpone a 2024 inspection for lack of horses.

What will be the standards used for future inspections? A guideline of the quality of facility, if European judges are used? What components will be included? These were all discussed with the need to revisit.

Other ideas for future inspections, to make them affordable while keeping standards high, included partnering with other breeds and/or combining with NASS and having a joint inspection. It was not known if either of these options would be feasible.

Membership in PShR has been steady for a couple of years but is significantly lower than at it's origin. Discussion on how to increase membership followed. One idea is to promote the Ambassador award which is given to a horse that is not in competition but is out representing the breed. It was noted by Chris that our FB page has almost 1,000 members so people are watching us!

Elizabeth is working on a newsletter for February or March. Award winners should be known by then. The Ambassador award will be highlighted.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2024 at 7:30pm central time.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rae and seconded by Elizabeth. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm central time.

**Lucy Stafford**