

March 30, 2025

NIAHAC Board/General Meeting held at the home of Laurie Ferry, Elburn, IL
Meeting **Called to Order** by President Thresa Horn at 11:47am.

Attendance: Thresa Horn, Char Kletecka, Candy Larsen, Laurie Ferry, Kristina Horn, Jennifer Marquardt, Brooke Collins.

Minutes: January 26, 2025 meeting minutes were read and approved. Motion to approve by Kristina, 2nd by Jen.

Treasurer's Report: Deb provided current financial statements. Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Candy, 2nd by Laurie. Thresa reported she has checks from Reg XI (for club convention costs) and will send to Deb.

Membership: Candy reports we have 40 Adult members (includes 2 Life and 8 Three Year memberships); 9 Youth.

Old Business / Committee Reports:

>Website & Social Media: Kristina reported she will be sending Deb all related invoices.

>Youth: none

>May Horse Show:

Jen reported on show progress. Most everything is in place. Summary:

- A. Plastic, imprinted Cups with horse treats will be giveaways to barns. Note of thanks and reminder of coffee and snacks to be included.
- B. Marquis (at corner of Fairgrounds) will have our Show's info on display
- C. Insurance certs have been provided to AHA & Fairgrounds
- D. Tractor rental secured (price went up)
- E. Dr. McGowan to sponsor snack table and coffee. Thresa will buy snacks.
- F. Nymyers fees discussed and Jen is working on clarification
- G. Hotel rooms... secured
- H. Photographer... secured by Tony
- I. Center Ring will be taken care of by Jen and Chrissy?

- J. Saturday night Pizza Party: Thresa: plates, napkins; Jen: order pizza; Candy & Laurie: small cans of soda and bottled water
- K. Sponsorships – Char and Brooke are working on this and it's going well

New Business: Thresa reported on Region XI and Convention updates.

- They are expecting the Reg XI Championships to be huge this year due to Reg 9 facility issues.
- The R11 Benevolence Fund is up and running. Funds are not restricted to “hardship” cases... can also be used for judges school. More info can be found on the Region XI website.
- R11 Youth are looking for sponsors for Belt Buckles to be prizes for Youth classes at the regional show. Thresa made a motion that NIAHAC sponsor one buckle for \$125. 2nd by Laurie. Approved by Board.
- R11 has been soliciting sponsors for new footing at Springfield.
- 2025 AHA Convention: Thresa is on the Convention Committee and reports there will be a cocktail party on opening night. They are working on more education & meeting instruction for committee chairs. Looking to shorten future conventions.

NEXT NIAHAC Meeting: Sunday, August 24th, 2025 at Thresa's Windy City Arabians in Manhattan, IL

Meeting Adjourned at 1:17pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

Laurie Ferry, NIAHAC Co-Secretary