

## March 2010 General Membership Meeting Minutes

The March 5, 2010 meeting of the DQHA General Membership was called to order by our President, Buddy Mowbray, at 7:15 pm. Stan Vanosik and Peggy Koster from the Delaware Equine Council spoke to the membership about the group. They promote raising awareness of the horse as an industry and provide opportunities such as Barn Tours, Scholarships, and their Dinner Dance Fundraiser on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see their website [www.delawareequinecouncil.org](http://www.delawareequinecouncil.org) for more information.

The roll was taken and new members and guests were introduced. The February Board meeting minutes were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was given and approved, subject to audit. **Notices and Communications:** The MSQHA Banquet will be on March 27<sup>th</sup>, and their tack sale will be March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Howard Co. Fairgrounds. **\*\*Congratulations to Chris Schlotzhauer for logging 500 hours in the AQHA Ride program. \*\***The Delaware Horse Expo is March 27<sup>th</sup>, volunteers are needed to man the DQHA booth, please see Pam Collins for more information. **\*\*The Sun Circuit Ad is in, *The Way to Go*, the NSBA magazine and will be in upcoming issues of the *American Quarter Horse Journal*.**

**Committees: Youth:** Seven youth from the DQHYA participated in the Region 5 Leadership Conference in Harrisburg on February 27-28. They spoke to the General Membership regarding their experiences. **Banquet:** the 2009 final placings were in the January newsletter. See Holly Pepper for any point discrepancies. Awards have come in and are under budget! Thank you to Pam and Betty for your hard work. **Futurity:** New forms will be mailed to those interested, all entries need to be in by June 15 to avoid late fees. Sponsors would also be appreciated. See Greg Johnson for more information. **Ride:** Let Carol Schlotzhauer know if you would like to join the ride program. Applications are available on the website. **Fundraiser:** Victoria Millhollan is the fundraiser chairman. Please bring an item for our banquet raffle/ auction table to support the association. **Charity:** Donna Barnes is the charity chairman. The club is looking for spring charity projects. Let Donna know if you have any suggestions. **Show:** The judges have been contracted. Mike Jennings will be the Novice judge and will also be hosting an "Ask the Judge" session following the show. Matt and Beth Guthro are the novice clinicians and will be discussing Hunter Under Saddle before the show.

**Old Business:** The five hours per member are to be tracked by the committee chair. Remember that for points to count, members must pay dues and point keeping nominations prior to attending meetings or shows, attend 2 meetings, and volunteer 5 hours or donate \$50 in sponsorship to the association. Points and membership should be sent to Holly Pepper. For the January meeting to count, dues must have been received by Holly by February 5, 2010, as per the bylaws. **\*\*Sly Designs have created new promotional booth banners, table cloths, chair backs, and backdrops for us to use at our up coming events.**

**New Business:** Chick's first show is April 9-12. Each show will host 4 judges and a new "weekender" package as an incentive for exhibitors. Contact Wayne Diamond for more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Powell