

MINUTES
LIPIZZAN FEDERATION OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 9, 2009

1. Roll Call of Board Members:

The first scheduled Board of Directors meeting of the Lipizzan Federation of America began at 5:03 p.m. P.T. by teleconference with a roll call of the Directors. June Boardman, Tim Foley, John Gliege, John Iannuzzi, Gary Lashinsky, Ingun Littorin, Lyn Schaeffer, Muffin Smith, and Rennie Squier were present.

2. Appointment of Meeting Chairperson

Ms Littorin accepted the group's recommendation that she chair the meeting.

3. Appointment of Meeting Secretary and Discussion of Procedural Issues

Ms. Smith volunteered and was appointed Secretary for the meeting. Ms. Schaeffer began the recording of the meeting. Although the recording will be available for the Directors, the Directors determined that minutes will be prepared to summarize the meeting for the membership. Once approved by the Directors, meeting minutes will go out to members of all three organizations at the same time from the LFA recording Secretary. The individual organizations will coordinate developing a consolidated list of email addresses of all their members. Once the meeting minutes are available, the LANA Board will meet within a week to determine if the list of addresses and email addresses of their members, because of the list's proprietary nature, can be released for this purpose. Minutes will be emailed or hardcopies will be mailed (when no email address is available) to members once the full mail/email database is compiled from all three organizations. The Directors also decided that each organization will pay one third of the teleconference costs quarterly. The Directors also agreed that meetings should be limited to an hour duration and that future Board meetings will be held Thursday evenings.

4. Additions to the Agenda

Additions to the agenda were deferred to the end of the agenda.

5. Resolution Accepting the LFA Board of Directors Transition and Election Plan

Ms. Schaeffer read the text of the LFA Board of Directors Transition and Election Plan and the Board accepted it. In order to have Resolution #7 accepting the plan signed by all the Directors, the resolution will be faxed from Director to Director, ending with Ms. Smith, Secretary, so that all signatures are collected on one page. The Directors will also mail an original of their signature on a printed copy of the resolution to Ms. Smith so that the Secretary will have all the original signatures. Along with the minutes, Ms. Smith will distribute an updated Steps to Consolidation document showing that the resolution was accepted in this meeting and showing the revised dates

6. Resolution Accepting the LFA Bylaws

Mr. Gliege moved that this item be tabled until such time as everyone has had time to review these Bylaws in the form we believe they're supposed to be in and that this group

has an opportunity to talk among themselves about it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lashinsky. The Bylaws were distributed December 11, 2008 by email to the Board. This item will be on the next meeting's agenda. Mr. Gliege will survey the LANA Board of Directors for their concerns and email the LFA Board within two weeks.

7. Resolution Accepting the LFA Rules and Regulations for Registration of Horses

Ms. Squier will forward to Mr. Lashinsky and Mr. Iannuzzi the proposed Rules and Regulations for Registration of Horses developed by the Rules and Regulations Committee. Mr. Gliege made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. Mr. Iannuzzi seconded the motion. Mr. Gliege will develop legally appropriate language to add to the document to protect the LFA in disputes arising over questions of ownership. The approval of this resolution was tabled until the next meeting to give more time to review the committee's work.

8. 2009 Annual Meeting

The Board formed a committee to plan the 2009 LFA annual member meeting. Jennifer Roth, USLR Vice President, will participate for USLR and Ms. Squier volunteered for ALBA. Mr. Gliege was unsure who would represent LANA. The committee will develop recommendations for location and dates.

9. Additions to the Agenda

a. Update to the LFA Articles of Incorporation

The update of the LFA's Articles of Incorporation has not yet been completed as originally scheduled. Ms. Schaeffer will assemble the chronology of email correspondence discussing the issues still outstanding and distribute this by email to the Board. This item will be discussed at the next meeting. The Board discussed at some length the issue of membership approval of changes to the Rules and Regulations and whether members should be able to modify and approve the Lipizzan Breed Standard. The Breed Standard currently in use by all three organizations is the standard published by the LIF. The Board concurred that the Breed Standard should be a separate document from the Rules and Regulations and that it should remain inviolate from any member changes. Mr. Gliege and Mr. Iannuzzi will develop a resolution to make the current Breed Standard irrevocable and will distribute this before the next meeting. Ms. Squier will email the current Breed Standard to the Board.

b. Developing a LFA website

Ms. Littorin suggested and the Board concurred that an LFA website should be developed to serve as a source of information for members. Ms. Schaeffer will email the Board a summary of possible domain names and their status.

The next scheduled meeting will be held Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. P.T. Ms. Littorin adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m. P.T.

Respectfully submitted,
Muffin Smith, Meeting Secretary