Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America Board Meeting May 20, 2011

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Michael Stone with all Directors present.

In attendance were: Mark Barie, Crae Eller, Matt Frieden, Christina Lemley, Gary Miller, Jack Peckinpaugh, Walter Schaefer, Jr., Dr. Michael Stone, Keith Woodbury, and Vicki Knott.

Discussion opened on the minutes of the December 3 & 4, 2010 meeting. President covered the items discussed and the decisions made during the meeting and asked for any corrections or additions.

Motion by Miller,

Seconded by Barie,

To approve the minutes of the December 3 & 4, 2010 meeting with the correction that the meetings will continue to be taped but the tapes are not available for release. Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the financial statement from the first and second quarters of the fiscal year.

Motion by Eller, Seconded by Lemley, To approve the financial statement as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the supplemental report from the first and second quarters of the fiscal year.

Motion by Eller,
Seconded by Barie,
To approve the supplemental report as presented.
Motion carried.

President reported that the new computer system is nearing completion and discussed that new hardware as well as some updated software will still need to be purchased.

Motion by Eller, Seconded by Barie,

To allow the Secretary to purchase the necessary hardware and software for the new system. Motion carried.

President presented an overview of the National Pedigreed Livestock Council meeting he and the Secretary recently attended.

A decision will be made in December regarding attending the 2012 National Pedigreed Livestock Council meeting.

Discussion opened on the Marketing Coordinator position. A complete description of duties and expectations is being prepared for Board approval.

The Publication Committee reported they will be meeting later in the year with Regal Publications regarding contract renewal and will report at the December meeting.

The latest investment report was presented to the Board for their perusal. No changes were made at this time.

Belgian Draft Horse Alliance reports were presented.

Christina Lemley reported on the All-American program.

The Draft Horse Journal has discontinued the All-American program and has replaced it with the All-North American which requires both the U.S. and Canadians to participate in one single program. However, the Canadians have decided not to participate in the program and will be continuing their own All-Canadian program.

Motion by Eller, Seconded by Barie, To discontinue our participation in the All-American program. Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the Breeder Showcase program.

Motion by Barie, Seconded by Eller,

To use photos on the cover of the publication for the Breeder Showcase program rather than a painting for 2011. The featured animals and breeders will appear in the fall publication and a poster will be made to auction off at the Mid-America Sale in February 2012. Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the Belgian Merit Program.

Motion by Miller, Seconded by Lemley, To add the six generation pedigree to the results in the publication along with the breeder and owner for 2011.

Motion carried.

Motion by Barie,

Seconded by Miller,

To place an ad in the Draft Horse Journal listing the 2011 Belgian Merit Program winners. Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the National Belgian Futurity program.

A budget is still needed for 2012 as well as confirmation of the dissolution of their 501 (c) 3.

Discussion opened on the NABC for 2016.

Mark Barie presented a proposal from the Big E in Springfield in Massachusetts.

Discussion followed.

Matt Frieden will contact the Iowa State Fair for facility cost and information for a show during the State Fair as well as options for a stand-alone show and will have the information by June 15th.

Motion by Walter Schaefer, Jr.,

Seconded by Barie,

To approve the 2012 Belgian Draft Horse Alliance budgets and submit them to the Alliance Trustees.

Motion carried.

Discussion opened on sponsorship of the 2012 NABC in Canada.

Motion by Eller,

Seconded by Peckinpaugh,

To sponsor \$1250.00 from the Belgian Draft Horse Corporation.

Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the cost and scheduling of the Annual Membership Meeting and the possibility of moving the meal to breakfast rather than lunch.

Motion by Eller,

Seconded by Miller,

To move the meal to breakfast at 9:00 a.m. with the Membership meeting following at 10:00 a.m. The price of the meal will remain at \$15.00.

Motion carried.

Discussion opened on the time frame in which auctions are submitting paperwork. While some auctions submit the fee and transfers at the same time, others only submit the transfers and do not submit a fee until invoiced. This makes it difficult for the office to get the auctions invoiced in time for them to submit the fee within the thirty-day time frame. Additionally, the office cannot process any of the paperwork without the fee.

Motion by Peckinpaugh, Seconded by Eller,

To require auctions to submit a minimum of \$30.00 per transfer when submitting the paperwork to the office within 30 days to insure that the auction will receive the lowest possible fee for paperwork. The office will then invoice the auction for the remaining balance due.

Motion carried.

Discussion opened on selling the Corporation vehicle.

Motion by Peckinpaugh, Seconded by Lemley, To sell the Corporation vehicle as close to Kelly Blue Book price as possible. Motion carried.

Motion by Lemley, Seconded by Woodbury, To move into Executive Session for Board Appeals. Motion carried.

Meeting in Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.

Motion by Lemley, Seconded by Woodbury, To move out of Executive Session. Motion carried.

Meeting out of Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.

Motion by Eller, Seconded by Frieden, To adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.