



2013-2014 Officers

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REGION 4 AHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTION WITHOUT MEETING

October 14, 2014

VOTING DELEGATES

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You are receiving this email because you are the Club President (non-voting) or Club Delegate (voting) to AHA Region 4 on record with the regional secretary. If this email has reached you in error, please contact Lisa Kolke with the corrected information. (Full text of ballot follows, printable version is attached)

The Region 4 Board of Directors are asking for you to give consideration to the following By-Law Changes. You have 30 days to consider. Your vote must be cast no later than November 14, 2014 to be recorded, although an immediate reply would be appreciated.

1. Please cast your Vote to **ABSTAIN, APPROVE** or **DISSAPPROVE** striking the last sentence in Article VI-Section 6. (see full text and background notes below)
2. Please cast your vote to **ABSTAIN, APPROVE** or **DISAPPROVE** the edits to Article VII. (see full text and background notes below)
3. If the Show Commission revisions are approved, shall the new 5-member commission be seated by:
 - A. a ballot emailed to all voting delegates, or
 - B. election at the November Caucus Meeting in Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully submitted

-Lisa Kolke

Lisa Kolke
Secretary
Region 4 AHA

REGION 4 PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

Section 5: Quorum

A quorum shall be 1/2 of the voting delegates plus one. The count of voting delegates will not include any "National" clubs that happen to be incorporated in our Region. If a quorum is not present, notice of any action taken shall be emailed to all delegates and such action shall not take effect until ratified by a majority of the voting delegates. **The absence of any response by a voting delegate within 10 days from the communication of due notice shall be considered a favorable vote on the action taken.**

Section 6: Voting by Email

The Board of Delegates may take action by email, provided that each voting and nonvoting delegate is notified of the proposal to be acted upon, and a majority of the voting delegates indicate assent thereto. ~~The absence of any response shall be considered not a vote.~~

Background

It has been determined that Article VI Section 5 & Section 6 contradict each other. This is a "housekeeping measure" to align the two sections

Article VIII – COMMITTEES

Section 7: Region 4 Championship Horse Show Commission

The Commission shall consist of six members **is to consist of five commissioners** elected by the Board of Delegates for three year rotating terms. **Length of term for each position will be three years.** ~~The Region 4 Director is the seventh member of the Commission. At the first election, 2 members will serve 1 year terms and 2 members will serve 2 year terms to establish the rotation of members.~~ **For the first year, the terms will be staggered so that two positions are renewable in three years, two more in two years, and the final position is up for renewal in one year. If midterm vacancies occur, replacements will be selected by the Region 4 Director, to be ratified at the next Region 4 delegate meeting.** This commission shall promote, regulate, operate and manage the Region 4 Championship Horse Show. ~~This commission shall select such show chairman and designate such committees as necessary.~~ **Elections will be held at the Fall Meeting each year.**

Background

The show commission concept has been successful, but the current commission feels it is larger than it needs to be to be effective. This would provide a reduction in volunteers. A new commission policy manual is being drafted to identify duties and separate "paid" jobs from volunteer jobs. The policy manual will be shared with the board of directors when it is completed. It is the intent for all activities surrounding the adoption of the new show commission to be transparent to the board.

Process

*How do we reduce the commission? Upon a favorable vote of the delegates to amend the by-laws (within 30 days), the current commission will be retired and the entire commission reelected by a popular vote of the delegates. All interested parties should declare their candidacy to the President. The president will then submit the candidates to the board for approval, by either **A)** a ballot emailed to all voting delegates or **B)** election at the November Caucus Meeting in Denver, Colorado.*