

Special Membership Meeting of the Back Country Horsemen of Missouri June 10, 2023 at the Brushy Creek Lodge and Resort

Members present signed in by initializing the membership list – number of attendees 37 with 33 votes to be cast.

Meeting called to order by Board Chairman Becki Krueger at 6:30 pm

A few announcements were made concerning church service for Sunday at 8:30 am and a reminder that everyone present needs to be registered on the membership list to receive a voting ballot. This meeting is called in order to make proposed changes to the existing By Laws and there are several options – 1) Approve as written 2) Approve with changes discussed here and voted on 3) Do not approve any changes. Meeting turned over to Maury who chaired the task of this By Law committee.

Maury welcomed everyone and recognized Sherry Copeland for the typing work contributed to these By Law changes. He opened the floor for any questions and he advised, the main change to be made is so all chapters will be represented and become active. The Board will consist of 1 designated representative from each chapter with an alternate if the designee cannot attend.

George Becker to a moment to announce the winner of the Poker Run – total collected \$200 Winning hand is Earlyne Wagner \$100 and worse hand was Wendy Holland.

A motion to accept the By Law changes as presented (v3 from 4/3 on website) was made by Cristlyn Randazzo and second made by Charles Prilwetz. Discussion took place on the voting rights. Paul Parker pointed out the family and business memberships only get one vote, same as an individual. Cyn Parker thoughts were that if two or more members of a family were producing more clipping time and efforts to maintain trails plus paying \$5 more over the individual membership fee, they should have more than 1 vote. Sherry explained the original intent was one vote for a membership no matter what the membership. Kathy suggested if we go to 2 votes that two members from the family must be present to vote. After more discussion, Kathy Jaeger motioned for amendment of the voting section to be represented as Individual-1, Family-2 and Associate-1. Ray Maynard 2nd that motion and a hand vote was taken. 19 support - 12 opposed. Change to the voting section of the amendment passes. Maury acknowledges this amendment change.

Vicki Clark asked to clarify the Recording Secretary of the Board will also be the State Secretary-affirmative.

Wendy Holland questioned - Officers are now voted from the Chapter Representatives of the board – yes.

Vicki Clark asked how many other states are using this format? Sherry responded – most are.

New motion made from floor by Paul Parker and seconded by Theresa Anderson to approve the By Law changes with the voting amendment approved above. Motion passes 29 support - 3 opposed.

Becki thanked everyone for their work on this and for attending this meeting to voice concerns and provide feedback to help direct the BCHMO. She advised everyone to go back and work with your Chapters to determine your Chapter Director and the Alternate. We will need this information by the September 30th Annual Meeting which will be held here at the Brushy Creek Trail Ride again.

Ruth Garner asked for clarification on the titles – Board Director and Alternate Director.

Motion to adjourn made by Cyn and seconded by Danny Gentles at 7:15 pm