

Teleconference – Thursday -Nov. 8th, 2018

President Cobbs called the teleconference to order.

Roll Call resulted in Sierra Covell, Chuck Cryderman, Steven Davison, Ken Airgood, Wayne Mast, Pat Connors, Shannon Cobbs, Dennis Johnson, Mike Taft, & Dennis Kuehl being on the teleconference.

Shannon Cobbs opened up conversation regarding the letter of complaint from Pat Perkins. Dennis Kuehl stated he had called Mrs. Perkins and she was really interested in having some sort of recognition for her Granddaughter. He stated he had also had conversation with Andy Behn on the two different scoring, and stated they both had their points of view. Dennis Kuehl stated he had sent an email to all the board members on ideas on how to honor all the youth exhibitors and to turn the situation more positive and move on. He mentioned that he didn't want the Kids getting a negative view of Clyde Association. He felt the need to move on and honor all three top exhibitors. Mr. Kuehl stated it would be good to run an ad in the Clydesdale News and stated Andy Behn had offered to do that to honor the top showman. Pat Connors and Dennis Johnson agreed with Mr. Kuehl's ideas on recognizing all three top Senior Showman. Shannon Cobbs stated he had received the letter of complaint from Mrs. Perkins and also had spoken to her regarding the issue. He stated that Mrs. Perkins was not negative and stated her Granddaughter didn't even know she had written the letter of complaint. President Cobbs stated there was a discrepancy on what was printed in the Entry Book and then on the Website on the guidelines of the scoring. He felt there was no malice or anything done incorrectly by the Behn, but was a simple discrepancy in the printing. He related that Mrs. Perkins was more concerned about the title rather than the actual cart award. Further discussion was held on the procedure of the award, and consideration for three top Senior Showman. President Cobbs related to the board that they needed to discuss how they would handle the situation. There were really two issues involved with the complaint and that was the title of World Overall Senior Showman and the actual award of the Cart. Dennis Kuehl stated he felt Andy Behn had tried to get the best scores possible for all of the youth, involving the judging class in the overall award. It was noted that it would not be fair to remove the title from the deserving winner, but it could be a priority to promote the three individuals that were top showman. Discussion was held on ways to award all three showman. Chuck Cryderman stated he felt the board needed more time to think about a solution and felt the decision need to be tabled. Steven Davison stated he felt a follow up with Mrs. Perkins would be in order following the teleconference.

Cathy Behn stated that the donor of the cart and sponsors were to also be considered and respected for the donation of both the Senior and Junior Showmanship awards. She stated the verbiage of there being mistakes made is to be considered and reviewed. Sierra Covell stated the situation was not an attack on anyone but rather a discrepancy on the way the award was calculated as to how it was published in the entry book. She related it was different on the website and that was where the confusion was. President Cobbs suggested more conversation and solutions could be handled via email.

President Cobbs moved onto the subject of the incorrect calculation of the judges' cards at the WCS. He stated when he began tabulating some of the classes he realized some of them were incorrect. He stated many of the classes had some placings in the middle of the class that were not correct. President Cobbs stated the largest mistake was in the Gelding Team, as Express should have been third, with Burger Barn winning the class. President Cobbs stated the Mare Six also not correct. He stated that would need to be corrected as the WCS was part of the Classic Series. He also related that the placings would affect premium

payouts. President Cobbs said all these issues need to be addressed. He related that the placings in the upcoming Draft Horse Journal would not be correct and it was too late to correct those placings as the Journal was already at press. He stated that there would need to be a retraction in the next Draft Horse Journal. President Cobbs also stated the placings would be incorrect on utube and would affect the RFDTV as they would be using some of the footing from utube. He stated he had spoken to Lisa Graham about ordering the proper awards and ribbons to get to the right people. Discussion was held on how to handle the situation. It was noted that the premiums could be adjusted for most classes. It was noted that the corrections could be done without being posted on Social Media and more. It was noted that conversation and apologies needed to be made to Burger Barn for the Gelding Team Class. President Cobbs stated he felt communication should be had with Barclay Poole to see if the utube footage of the incorrect classes could be edited to remove the placings at the end of the class and just show the class. Dennis Kuehl explained that on the first two days, the computer program was figuring the judges' cards with a high/low scoring as used in larger quarter horse shows. It was noted that was not the way the judges' cards were to be calculated, so on the weekend, a spreadsheet was created that would automatically calculate the scores and placings. Cathy Behn related there was also more than one person reviewing the scoring calculation over the weekend and felt those scorings were correct. Dennis Kuehl state the ShowPro program was a great program to manage the WCS, but the clerks did not realize there was a setting that calculated it as a high/low scoring. Cathy Behn stated she felt all the placings could be re-calculated in the show program to reflect the correct premiums to be paid out to the exhibitors. Cathy Behn states she would speak with Barclay Poole to get the utube footage edited. Shannon Cobbs, Steven Davison, and Cathy Behn related they would work on checking and confirming the calculations of the judges' cards. Cobbs stated he would speak to Burger Barn regarding the mistake in the Gelding Team Class. President Cobbs stated he would also speak to Express Clydesdales. Dennis Kuehl was thanked for everything he had done for the WCS.

It was noted that sending a note or something to Josh Minshull and the rider that had suffered a fall in the ring would be a nice gesture.

Cathy Behn related it was obvious there were problems with the WCS but it was a great show and promoted the Clydesdale horse to masses of public attendees. Pat Connors agreed that he had heard nothing but good comments from the public. Many board members stated they had heard many good comments.

At 8:07 p.m. Steven Davison had a motion to adjourn, seconded by Pat Connors. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Cathy Behn, Executive Director
Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A.