

Special Board Meeting Sunday – October 28, 2018 – World Clydesdale Show, Madison, WI.

A special board meeting was called to discuss the topics of the Wagon Give Away/Auction, the Truck Give Away and the Mini Bike Give Away.

Roll Call resulted in Shannon Cobbs, Sierra Covell, Wayne Mast, Mike Taft, Dennis Johnson, Ken Airgood, Pat Connors, Chuck Cryderman being present. Steven Davison was not present at the meeting.

Discussion was held on the Wagon Give Away. Chuck Cryderman reported he had call the winner of the wagon and confirmed that he did want to sell the Wagon. He had talked to Jake Schut about the value of the Wagon and also talked about what the wagon may or may not sell for. He reported the person that had the winning ticket was willing to settle for a payout for the Wagon of \$15,000. Chuck Cryderman felt it was safe to settle at that price with the winner and then to auction the Wagon off on Sunday. He reported to the board that he had the winner's agreement in writing in the form of a text and email. Discussion was held on the procedure with fellow board members. **Mike Taft moved to auction the Wagon off that day at the World Clydesdale Show. Pat Connors seconded the motion and the motion carried.** Discussion was held on what time of the day and schedule of events to auction the Wagon off. It was decided to auction the Wagon off following the last classes of the afternoon. Chuck Cryderman and Pat Connors agreed to help coordinate getting the Wagon to the ring and handling the auction of the Wagon. It was noted that several announcements through the course of the day would draw attention to the auctioning of the Wagon.

Pat Connors addressed the Board on the topic of the Truck Give Away. He stated he had spoken to donor of the truck on Thursday morning, suggesting that perhaps the Association could give away a lease on the truck from Wisconsin and that the Association could then be re-imbursed in order to get around the legal issues of the Truck Give Away in Wisconsin. Sierra Covell stated she had talked to the donor of the truck that morning, reporting that the donor of the truck in no way wanted to be involved as the truck give away was not legal. She stated she was not willing to do the truck give away, the mini bike give away, or any type of award or further sponsorship. Discussion was held on the liability and legal ramifications of announcing a truck would be given away along with legal ramifications from the donor if the Association sponsored the truck. Upon further discussion on those concerns, Chuck Cryderman stated that the grand prizes could come in the form of a cash winning instead of a truck or mini bike. He stated the value of a lease on a truck would be approximately \$15,000 and the mini bike would be approximately \$3000.

Further discussion was held on how to satisfy all involved in the situation. Shannon Cobbs left the meeting to speak to the donor of both prizes to make sure the board was heading in the right direction in solving the problems. Upon his return to the meeting, he reported the donor was offended and was not willing to donate, sponsor, or support the Association in any manner. Discussion was held on the issues presented at that time and what could be done about the current upset and situation of finishing out the WCS with awards to satisfy the exhibitors. Discussion was also held on the legal issues presented by the lawyer hired in Madison and what directions would be the right direction to try and come to terms with the issues at hand.

Mike Taft made a motion to give \$15,000 to the qualifying hitch exhibitor as per the truck give away guidelines presented prior to the show and to give \$3,000 to the Pleasure/Riding exhibitors as per the guidelines presented prior to the show. Pat Connors seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in the

following: Chuck Cryderman – yes; Pat Connors – yes; Ken Airgood – yes; Dennis Johnson – yes; Wayne Mast – yes; Mike Taft – yes; Sierra Covell – no. The motion carried with six yes votes and one no vote.

Final discussion was held on how to word the announcement of the change in the awards. The following wording was created to use throughout the day:

We have been notified by legal council that it is not possible to award a Truck in the state of Wisconsin at the World Clydesdale Show.

The Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A. is proud to award additional Hitch Premium Incentive of \$15,000 to exhibitors that have hitched a team through 8 horse hitch during the WCS. The Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A. are also proud to award additional Pleasure/Riding Premium Incentive of \$3,000 to one exhibitor that have participated in the Pleasure/Riding portion of the World Clydesdale Show.

Upon finalizing the wording and procedure the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted by,

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