State 4-H Horse Advisory Meeting
April 8, 2015

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* denotes voting members

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m.

**Area Show Dates:**
- Area A: April 17-18
- Area B: May 15-16
- Area C: April 25
- Area D: May 1-3
- Area E: April 25-26
- Area F: April 11-12

Reminder: The UF Animal Sciences website (http://animal.ifas.ufl.edu/youth/) has all the information you could ever want about the 4-H horse program including the minutes from the Advisory meetings (under "4-Horse Program General Info).

2015 Equine Sciences Program Performance Horse Sale is happening April 25. For information: http://www.ufequine.com/

**Educational State Events and Horseman of the Year**
The Tampa Horse Judging contest was attended by 6 senior teams and 6 all age teams. Winners were: 1st - Manatee All Age, 2nd - Alachua Senior, 3rd - Lake All Age

The State Horse Judging contest was attended by 6 counties and 7 teams with Lake entering two teams. Lake County, with two teams, was 1st and 2nd.

Results of Hippology Contest: 1st - Orange, 2nd - Polk, 3rd - Lake

Quiz Bowl, Team and Individual Demonstrations and Public Speaking state contests are scheduled for June 20. Registrations for these contests is May 22.

**American Youth Horse Council (AYHC)**
2015 AYHC: Elaine Keir was recognized posthumously as Adult Leader of the Year at the 2015 AYHC meeting. Her daughter, Heather, accepted on her behalf.

Nominations for 2015 Elaine Keir Memorial Volunteer Leader Award are due June 5 to Area Representatives, and June 12 to UF (Applications will be emailed to 4-H Agents). The state winner will be nominated for the AYHC award and will have the opportunity to attend the AYHC Leader Symposium. That event will be held in Lexington, KY at the horse park on April 21-24. The Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) will be holding their Hunt Seat National Finals during that time period at the park.
**Horsemanship School**
Details on website: http://animal.ifas.ufl.edu/youth/horse/HorsemanshipSchool.shtml

- Will be held at UF
- English - June 7-12
- Western - June 21-26
- May 7 deadline for registration

**Miscellaneous Area Issues**
There is once again a request to offer miniature horse classes at the Area and State horse shows. Although 4-H in Florida does not offer miniature horse classes specifically, minis can enter the in-hand classes and they are often very competitive in these classes even against the large horses. Area Horse Shows can offer non-point classes at their Area shows. UF has even provided guidelines to the Areas for Miniature In-Hand Trail, and Miniature Jumping. And counties can certainly add mini classes to their county shows to accommodate their constituent base.

Area A requested removal of Keyhole and addition of Arena race. This request should be made at the fall meeting for consideration for next year. It was pointed out that Arena race does not demonstrate the level of control that keyhole does and probably is not a good substitution.

Area B requested clarification of stall policies for area shows. UF does not dictate stall policies for area shows. Area show committees must develop their own policies considering:

- Safety for people and animals
- Compliance with show facility rules

**State Horse Show**
T-shirts will be pre-sold. Design on front. Blue shirt, orange print. Cost will be $12 Adult sizes XS – 2XL. There was some discussion about also having a few shirts for sale at the show but if that approach is taken, there will be additional manpower required. Shirts at the show will be $15.00.

Dr. TenBroeck will research photographers. If you have any prospects, send their contact info to Dr. TenBroeck.

Amy Wade has a reasonable resource for wood tack trunks/boxes which could be used for either regional or state prizes for classes or division high points.

Award ideas for both Regional and State shows: Aluminum Chairs or other type folding chairs, grooming boxes, engraved picture frame with paid photo, halters, bridle bags, garment bags, medicine cabinet, bit trunk, spur leathers or spurs, stirrups, headstall buckle, drink coolers, tack trunks, fancy horse heads for first place class awards. Would rather have something other than coolers/scrims for high points.

Qualifying percentage from Area to State will be 62%.

Area resource materials were distributed.

Don’t use Ranch Riding Pattern 2 in the Rule Book.

High Point awards will be announced at Saturday night event.

State hotel will still be the Hilton Garden Inn.
Class schedule was reviewed. The number of dressage entries will determine whether or not we need to run two arenas. 60 rides is the maximum number of rides one Judge should be asked to judge.

The score flip chart was a great feature but it should be located up on the platform so it is more easily seen.

Would be nice to have a display for game timer. (Barb Nagle will look into Brevard’s display to see if it still works and is compatible with the UF timer).

Area C is in charge of the social. We need a bigger popcorn machine. Drill Teams are invited to submit a video and a performance may be part of opening ceremony. Horses must be participants in the show. Area A is in charge of Golden Shovel and Emerald judging. No decoration theme, counties may design their own theme.

Dressage ride times and Western Trail order of go will be posted to the website prior to the show so that people can plan their arrival schedule.

Suggestion to use time blocks instead of order of go for Trails (6 riders assigned to a 30 minute block). Option is under consideration.

Check in will be available:

- Tuesday 1 PM – 6 PM.
- Wednesday starting at 8 AM - 6 PM.
- Thursday starting at 7 AM – 6 PM.
- Friday 7 AM – 9 AM.

Need Check In and Coggins Inspection signs.

Interviews for Horseman of the Year at hotel, 4:30 PM Wednesday.

Staff meeting 8 PM Wednesday at the hotel.

**Regional Horse Show**

Florida will host 2015 Regional Show in Perry, GA. July 29 – August 2.

Trail will be “Western Trail” and will be a Western Division class. Florida will propose putting Dressage into the “Hunter Division”. (note: was not passed this year)

The regional committee will be considering enforcing USEF rules for allowing only legal tack in the Dressage warmup area.

The regional committee is looking at ways to arrange the schedule to take advantage of the wealth of arenas at the Perry facility.

If you know of any vendors who might be interested in attending the regional show, contact Dr. TenBroeck for information about vendor space and policies. Vendors will be set up around the sides of the coliseum.

UF would like to secure sponsors for awards. UF has developed a “Sponsorship Opportunities” document to help guide people in securing sponsors. This document will be sent to the Agents and the advisory committee members.
Dr. TenBroeck requested that a Volunteer Leader and an Agent oversee each show division and each educational event. What has been assigned to date follows:

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**For Future Consideration**

Medallions and/or ribbons for class awards is up for review for 2016. The following options were put on the table for consideration at the fall meeting:

Option 1: Leave it the way it is (medallions for Areas and ribbons for State)

Option 2: Give out ribbons only at the Area Shows and medallions only at the State Show.

Option 3: Give out ribbons only at both shows.

Option 4: At both the State and Area shows give out medallions for places 1-3 and ribbons for the rest of the places.

With all these options, the State show will continue to give out an additional award for 1st place.

*Next meeting Thursday, September 24 at HTU at 10 AM. Remote access can be arranged via Skype.*

*Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted by Barbara Nagle*