## Minutes of the FEQHA Meeting, April 18th, 2009, Stuttgart

Location: Stuttgart

Time: Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009

14:00 am through 18 pm

Present Members: Guests:

See list enclosed See list enclosed

Agenda:

- 1. Approval of last meetings minutes and today's agenda
- 2. European Quarter Horse Championships 2008
- 3. European Quarter Horse Championships 2009 FEI Reining
- 4. European Quarter Horse Experience 2009
- 5. European Youth Cup 2009 in Great Britain
- 6. European Amateur Team Cup 2010 applications/European Youth Team Cup 2011 applications
- 7. Financial Report 2008 and discharge of FEQHA board
- 8. Elections for new FEQHA board (president, vice-president, treasurer and cash auditors)
- 9. Search for organizers of EC, partners for Maierhofer/Gruber. Return to old system?
- 10. Sundries

#### Welcome:

Eberhard Kleinmann welcomes all present members and guests especially those who had a long journey. The following person asked to be excused: Johannes Orgeldinger, Doroteja Vascer, Jitka Kynklova, Paul Didier, Marco Stors and Andrea Stillo. The vice-president of the FEQHA, Paul Didier and the president of the Italian Quarter Horse Ass., Andrea Stillo, have given power of attorney to the FEQHA-president, Eberhard Kleinmann.

#### Agenda Point 1

#### Approval of last meetings minutes and of today's agenda

There are no objections and the minutes are approved unanimously.

Eberhard Kleinmann asks if everybody agrees with the agenda as proposed. There are no objections to the agenda points.

#### Agenda Point 2

#### **European Quarter Horse Championships 2008**

The FEQHA-president Eberhard Kleinmann thanks Maierhofer/Gruber for a well-done job. There was no loss, a small profit has been made.

#### Agenda Point 3

#### **European Quarter Horse Championships 2009**

For the EC 2009 more competitors are expected as the EWU Championships and the Americana won't take place. This will probably mean 200 horses more. Preparations have been made since January 2009.

FEI Reining: Impossible to find sponsors in such a short time. We would need about EUR 15,000. It's gone for this year.

Gerold Dautzenberg: Stick to the roots, there are enough QH-Reining competitors in Europe. Rainer Maierhofer: In 2009 we will focus more on everything around, the image, decoration. We know how everything goes and so we can concentrate on making several things better.

Markus Müller: Nations Cup in 2009? How many riders? How many classes?

Rainer Maierhofer: Again an evening event, same rules as in 2008, will put the rules in the nomination forms.

Gerold Dautzenberg: 2008 was a great event, like a big family.

Markus Müller: for spectators it was great. The FEQHA should put some money or prizes in it. The 500 SFr for the team was given completely to the team by Markus.

Mario Palma Trophy: Up to now we have had 2 conversations with Sybill von Schulenburg/Arnhild Kröger.

Ulli Vey: Arnhild Kröger needs a concept to give money. Last time she gave EUR 10,000. Class for 3-year-old-horses. Does it as promotion for people testing their horses. She wants people to face the problem with HERDA so that they will have their horses tested. We need a contract with Arnhild Kröger to include the trophy into the EC. (Trail/Pleasure/Hunter under Saddle).

Committee to make a concept for the Mario Palma Trophy: Rainer Maierhofer, Gerold Dautzenberg and Marcel Vangenechten.

Gerold: ask the Italians how to do it as they have already organized a Mario Palma Trophy. Markus Rensing: PSSM: there is only on laboratory in Europe where it can be tested. This should be published in the concept.

#### Agenda Point 4

#### **European Quarter Horse Experience 2009**

Organizer: DQHA

Hans-Jürgen Förster: AQHA asked if DQHA would run it for another year.

Date: June 11 - 14, 2009.

The decision was made very late. It costs a lot of money.

European Champions or Vice-Champions are not allowed to show in the class where they have won the title. 5 places and everyone gets a prize.

- 1. Montana silver buckle
- 2. Saddle pad
- 3. Blanket......

It was a great show last year, and it will take place this year at the same facility but with another contract. Many associations have it on their website.

Asks to promote it more and to support the show.

Special offer by the AQHA: you can have your horses registered/transferred and take the papers with you.

The event is not only showing. There are also clinics, e.g. with Grisha Ludwig, Reining.

Marcel Vangenechten: Make a DVD of all associations. He will write a letter to all associations and ask to send a DVD and take part in a FEQHA booth. Asks everyone to send the names of their board of directors and the correct addresses.

The person who is in charge of the organization of the QH Experience for the DQHA is Melanie König.

#### Agenda Point 5

### European Youth Cup 2009, Great Britain

Bill Archer: The schedule is complete, there will be a cultural evening, a visit of the castle...

Marcel Vangenechten: goal: 8 teams. Applications have already been sent out. It's a good facility – big place, nice indoor arena. However, he has fear of rain.

Applications have been sent out.

Markus Müller: has no information yet. The Swiss team won't come if they don't know anything.

Hans-Jürgen Förster/Gerold Dautzenberg: Nobody is informed!

Bill Archer: There have been several problems in communication. He excuses for the problems.

Marcel Vangenechten: Asks to send an email and he will inform everyone!

The cost for the team are about EUR 2,500 including stalls.

Problem: Contract between FEQHA and Sternberg, not with the British QH Association.

Markus Müller asks if there are special papers needed:

Marcel Vangenechten: No special vet papers, but don't bring dogs!

The ferry leaves every hour. Do't wait for the others, just move as the roads are small. Poul Haukrog Möller: Is it possible to get the contract also signed by the British QH Ass.? Bill Archer: He doesn't think so. If someone else has the risk the British Ass. cannot sign.

#### Agenda Point 6

# European Amateur Team Cup 2010 – applications/European Youth Team Cup 2011 – applications

Poland: interested in both events

Switzerland: offer for Amateur Cup 2010, however one problem, the Reining ground is not there. Will have to find solution with customs.

Poland: showground in the South of Poland, near border of Slovakia, near Cracow. The accommodation is very comfortable and cheap. Guest rooms are for free for judges, FEQHA officials and show management.

The facility is ready, per horse stall EUR 55/week.

The Roteski Ranch is 15 km away from the highway.

Hotel on ranch: € 35, breakfast, lunch, 18 double rooms, another hotel nearby. Quarter horse valley: 4 ranches near the Roteski Ranch.

Denmark: ready to do something, perhaps 2012 Wilhelmsbourg.

Switzerland: "high cost country" Belgium: 2011 Youth Cup?

Gerold Dautzenberg: good to go to near countries, in Poland the Quarter horse industry is booming. Don't see the distance.

Amateur Cup 2010 in Poland:

Voting:

Accepted unanimously.

Proposed contract shall be handed in by beginning of June. The contract shall be ready by the next meeting in August. Piotr Rudnicki invites all delegates of the FEQHA. The contract shall be made with the FEQHA, the ranch owner and the Polish QH Ass.

Youth Team Cup 2011: Belgium? Decision shall be made in August.

Voting:

Accepted unanimously.

#### Agenda Point 7

#### Financial Report 2008 and discharge of FEQHA board

The European Championships account is kept separately. The tax adviser will check all documents and submit a separate EC report for 2008.

Markus Müller and Tim Drubbel checked all documents of the general administrative account. The entries are all correct. The balances at the beginning and the end of the year correspond to the entries.

Eberhard Kleinmann thanks both for their job.

The FEQHA board shall be discharged for the general administrative account.

Voting:

Accepted unanimously.

#### Agenda Point 8

#### **Election for new FEQHA board**

One vote per 500 members

President: Eberhard Kleinmann – voted unanimously

**Vice-presiden Poul Haukrog Möller**: 15 votes

Treasurer: Paul Didier 13 votes

Cash auditors Markus Müller 14 votes

**Eva Pacesova** 9 votes

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Jitka Kynclova (reserve cash auditor)

#### Agenda Point 9

## Search of organizers of EC, new partners for Maierhofer/Gruber; return to old system?

Hans-Jürgen Förster: put it on the agenda of August.

#### Agenda Point 10

**Sundries** 

#### **Versatility Ranch Horse**

Jochen Frank: for 2009 it is too late, but should be considered for 2010.

Markus Rensing: animal right activists will look very closely if we offer the EC-title in this class. Danger: there are a lot of beginners and the show could come into bad reputation.

July 1, 2009: horse identification, to be conform with the EC law

Every country where the show takes place should make the papers and requested vet papers clear

# Next meeting will be during the European Championships in Kreuth on Saturday, 22<sup>th</sup> August, 2009, 10.00 am.

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Eberhard Kleinmann

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