

**Nominations & Credentials Agenda
2021 Convention
San Antonio, Texas**

1. Welcome by Chair
2. Committee Guidelines
3. Meeting Protocol
4. Nominations for Committee Chair (Saturday)

Agenda Items eligible for Membership & Board of Directors Consideration:

5. Modify Article III.Section1(a)(8) to read: Where an international country has less than a major portion of the Horse Population Factor but has at least ~~25%~~ 5% of the Horse Population Factor, it shall constitute a Representative District. International countries may be grouped with one or more other international countries to form a Representative District having at least 5% of the Horse Population Factor. (International Committee proposal)
6. Modify Article III Section 1(f) to read: (f) Appointed International Directors. Each officially recognized international affiliate shall appoint one Appointed International Director. The current president of the international affiliate shall certify in writing to AQHA's Executive Vice President his/her board's appointment to serve as the Appointed International Director at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The president of the international affiliate may however make changes to their appointment up to seven (7) days prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Appointed International Directors shall be in addition to an international country's Elected Director(s), if any, specified in Article III Section 1(a) above. Appointed International Directors shall be domiciled in the country that his/her international affiliate represents by actual residence therein, having the intent to make it his/her permanent home. To be eligible to become an Appointed International Director, an individual shall be a member in good standing of AQHA. Depending upon which international affiliate an Appointed International Director represents, an Appointed International Director shall represent one of the following International Districts: (1) Europe; (2) Mexico, South and Central America; (3) Australasia-Africa; or (4) Canada. ~~At the Annual Convention each International District shall nominate and elect International District Director(s) to represent and vote for their International District during the Board of Directors meetings. The number of International District Director(s) that may represent an International District shall be determined by an International Annual Allocation formula. The International Annual Allocation formula is based on the number of active AQHA numbered and appendix horses as of September 30 of the preceding year in the International District discounted to an extent by the number of active AQHA numbered and appendix horses in Representative District(s) within the~~

~~International District as of September 30 of the preceding year. International District Directors shall serve for a period of one year and until the general election of Directors at the next annual Membership Business Meeting. District Appointed International Directors shall serve on the International Committee during their term. (International Committee proposal)~~

7. Modify the first sentence of Article III Section 1(g) to read: Any Elected Director or International District Appointed Director who is absent for two (2) consecutive times from the General Board Meeting and New Board Meeting at AQHA's Annual Convention is automatically removed as a Director without further action, upon his/her second absence, making available for his/her District a vacancy to be filled by regular election of an individual who will represent that District's interests at AQHA's Annual Convention and Board of Directors meetings. (International Committee proposal)
8. Modify Article III, Section 1(a)(12) to read: Each Elected Director shall be domiciled in the Representative District which he/she represents by actual residence (primary or secondary) therein, having the intent to make it his/her permanent home. To be eligible for election and to serve on the Board of Directors, an individual shall have been a member in good standing of AQHA for three consecutive and uninterrupted years immediately previous to nomination. Elected Directors shall serve for a period of one year and until the general election of Elected Directors at the next Membership Business Meeting. (member proposal)
9. Modify Bylaw Article VI, Section 2 (b) Treasurer to read: The Treasurer is the chief financial officer of AQHA, and, pursuant to direction of the Executive Committee, shall implement the actions, decisions and directions of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall account for the financial condition of AQHA by presenting an independent audit of AQHA accounts at each Annual Membership Meeting and to the Board of Directors when demanded. ~~Also, the Treasurer shall submit to the Executive Committee, at the first meeting following the Annual Membership Meeting, a detailed budget of the proposed and anticipated expenditures for the current fiscal year of AQHA. Upon approval of this said budget, or its modification, it becomes binding upon the officers of AQHA and cannot be exceeded in the total amount set forth by more than 10 percent without a majority vote of the Executive Committee. Also, the Treasurer shall submit to the Executive Committee, at the meeting immediately preceding the start of the fiscal year, a detailed budget of the proposed and anticipated revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal year of AQHA. Upon approval of said budget, or its modifications, it becomes binding upon the officers of AQHA and cannot be exceeded.~~
10. Modify Article I, Section 3 to read: ~~The principal place of business shall be Amarillo, Potter County, Texas, but its AQHA members or officers may be residents of any state, country, province or region and business may be carried at any place convenient to such members or officers as may be participating.~~

11. Modify Article II Section 5 and Article III Section 5 to allow the Executive Committee, by majority vote, to waive the “physically present” requirement set forth in both bylaws should force majeure circumstances make it illegal, impossible, inadvisable, or commercially impracticable to require “physical presence” at a meeting in question. Should such circumstances result in the aforementioned waiver of “physical presence”, the Executive Committee may designate means in which voting and participation in meetings may be accomplished by means other than via physical presence.
12. Honorary Vice President Deliberations
13. Recommendations for Elected Directors to be reviewed in the following order – Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, West Virginia, Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Quebec, Saskatchewan and Italy.

With the exception of Arizona (3 vacant positions), Arkansas (2), Colorado (3), Idaho (2), Kansas (2), Missouri (2), Nebraska (2), North Dakota (2), Oklahoma (3) Tennessee (2), Texas (9), and Alberta (2 vacant positions) the remaining states/provinces and countries listed above have 1 vacant position.
14. Election of Committee Chair
15. Adjourn