



2013 APHA WORKSHOP REPORT

Fort Worth, TX May 30-June 1, 2013

I attended the 2013 APHA Workshop in Fort Worth, TX for the first time with voting rights due to the absence of Idaho Director Ren Floyd. I attend several committee meetings. I at that point had not been assigned a committee.

Long Range Planning:

This committee discussed several issues. Including the idea to allow Thoroughbreds and Quarter Horse to register with APHA as breeding stocks with the rights and privileges as the SPB horses. They also sent a member of this committee to the task force to look at repatriating horses that meet the color criteria with APHA papers allowing only geldings and spayed mares. Very contested discussion should be interesting to see what comes out of that task force. This committee also set some short term goals and long term projects to work on.

Regional Clubs:

This committee discussed at great length the issue of regional club problems. They are considering taking a more proactive role in the governing of regional clubs not following APHA rules and standards. Lot of discussion on a variety of problems in clubs in every state, common thread the vagueness and lack of compliance of APHA rules and regulations. APHA needs to establish well-defined standards and stand by them.

I had to leave early to attend another committee meeting.

Ambudsman Committee:

This committee gave a brief discussion on how they would operate and communicate and then went into executive session.

Membership Committee:

Talked with Chairwoman Jackie Melon, she asked me to sit on her committee and so it appears I have found a committee. Yah... If you have and questions or concerns that I can send to this committee please feel free to call me.

A large variety of items can up to vote on to either go to convention for a final vote or to a task force for APHA Executive Committee to take on immediately. I encourage the APHA membership to review what will be on the ballot for 2014 Convention and let me know how those items will effect you and your Paint business, so that I can represent your position on this issues. I love to talk horse and learn from you the Members what <u>YOU</u> want from your Association.

Have great day. Melissa Jayo National Director – Alternate