



# PENNSYLVANIA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

## ARTICLE I

### NAME:

Pursuant to its Articles of Incorporation, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the name of this Organization shall be The Pennsylvania Arabian Horse Association, and it shall be a non-profit corporation. The organization will hereinafter be referred to as the “Association”.

## ARTICLE II

### OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE:

The objectives and purposes of the Association shall be those stated in its Articles of Incorporation and more specifically to:

- A. Foster and encourage good relations between the Association members and other associations, and especially among the Arabian Horse Association and U.S. Equestrian Federation.
- B. Aid and encourage the selective breeding, exhibiting, use, and perpetuation of Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo Arabian horses.
- C. Formulate publicity and other educational programs and activities in the interest of Arabian horse owners and enthusiasts.
- D. Promote, encourage, and stimulate popular interest in the many outstanding uses and qualities of the Arabian Horse.
- E. Incorporate an existing association, a non-profit organization, and not to contemplate the distribution of gains, profits or dividends to the members thereof, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- F. Perform any and all things necessary and appropriate to accomplish the objectives and purposes as stated herein.
- G. To be and remain a “Member Organization” of the Arabian Horse Association as defined in the AHA Bylaws.
- H. No part of the resources or net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to any of its members, directors, officers or others, or other private persons, except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes and objectives set forth herein.

## ARTICLE III

### MEMBERS:

#### Section 1: Members

- A. Membership is open to anyone interested in the objectives and purposes of the Association whether or not they own an Arabian or Half Arabian Horse.
- B. All members shall receive PAHA mailings and notifications.
- C. Each member may designate the District (as specified in Article V) with which said member wants to be associated. Any member not so designating a district shall to be associated with the District in which they reside. Out of state members will not be assigned a specific District unless so requested.
- D. Membership Types:
  - 1. Full Voting Membership:

Membership in the Arabian Horse Association with PAHA designated as the Affiliate Club shall be required to vote on PAHA business and/or hold office for the following:

    - a. **Individual** – any person 18 years or over
    - b. **Family** – membership to include two (2) members age 18 or over of immediate family or one (1) family member and one (1) full-time employee or two (2) persons residing jointly. Immediate family shall be defined as husband, wife, dependent children age 18 or over living at home. Children under 18 may be added but shall be subject to additional costs as a Youth member.
    - c. **Youth** – any person under 18 years of age.
  - 2. Local Membership:

No membership is required in the Arabian Horse Association. May not vote on club business or hold club office, unless an AHA Life member (See Article III, Section 1.G.) Entitled to participate in all PAHA programs and activities:

    - a. **Individual** - any person 18 years or older
    - b. **Youth** - any under 18 years of age
- E. Member in Good Standing: Good standing shall be defined as not having been censured by PAHA, Region XV, AHA, USDF or USEF for the previous two (2) years.
- F. Elected Office: Any voting member wishing to be elected as a Director, Director At Large, Alternate Director, Delegate or officer of PAHA shall be a current full PAHA member in good standing at the time of election and continue such status during their term.
- G. **AHA Life Member:** AHA Life members will be required to hold a Local membership in PAHA if they wish to hold office or participate as a voting member.

#### Section 2: Dues and Fees

Regulations concerning dues shall be as follows:

- A. All members shall pay the Association annual dues in such amount as prescribed by the Board of Directors to receive their associated rights and privileges. Any member who is not current on dues shall have no further rights or privileges until such dues are paid.
- B. A special assessment may be levied by a 2/3 vote of the members present at any regular meeting or special meeting in the amount not to exceed \$8.00 per voting membership.
- C. Payment of dues, fees or other charges incurred through any PAHA function with a non-negotiable check shall be considered a violation of the rules and Bylaws of the Association.
- D. Non-payment of fee or charges incurred through any PAHA function shall also be considered to be a violation of the rules and Bylaws of the Association.
- E. Membership fees shall be paid either directly to PAHA via check or money order or through the membership services of AHA by acceptable payment methods offered.

### **Section 3: Conduct of Members**

- A. Members should treat each other with courtesy.
- B. Obscene or threatening language or behavior by a member during the Conduct of Association activities is prohibited and may be a cause for suspension of membership privileges.

### **Section 4: Suspension of Association Membership**

- A. Violations under Article III, Sections 2.C. and 2.D.: A member may be dropped from membership by vote of the Board of Directors. Any member so dropped from the Association shall be notified by three (3) notices informing them of the violation and actions to be taken. The third (3<sup>rd</sup>) contact to be a certified letter. Each letter shall include the reason for the action, and notice that:
  - 1. all privileges of membership will be lost during the period that suspension is in effect,
  - 2. the suspension shall begin thirty (30) days after final notification, and
  - 3. PAHA will notify AHA of the action.
- B. Violations of all other Bylaws of the Association: A member may be dropped from membership for any violation of the Association's Bylaws, except violations of Article III, Sections. 2.C and 2.D., by a vote of the Board of Directors, but not before the following procedures have been followed:
  - 1. A complaint of the violation must be sent in care of the President of PAHA for presentation before the Board of Directors. This complaint must allege a specific instance or instances of the violation and must be signed by the complainant.
  - 2. A copy of the complaint and any accompanying material will be sent to the member against whom the complaint is made with a request for a written reply to the charges. Such reply must be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of the complaint.

3. Upon receipt of the member's reply or after thirty (30) days have elapsed, copies of both the complaint and reply will be sent to the Board of Directors to be reviewed.
4. At the first regularly scheduled state meeting after the Board of Directors have received the complaint and reply or at the discretion of the President, at a specially convened meeting as prescribed by Article IV, (b) of these Bylaws, a hearing on the complaint will be held. Notice of the hearing date will be sent to both the complainant and the member against whom the complaint is made. Attendance at the hearing is not mandatory, but it is recommended.
5. After all evidence is reviewed, a vote for suspension and, if necessary, a vote on the term of suspension will be held. A vote for suspension will require a majority to carry as will a vote on the term of suspension.
6. Notice of the results of the hearing will be sent to both the complainant and the member against whom the charge was made by certified return receipt letter. If the request for suspension has been approved, the notice will inform the parties that PAHA would notify AHA of the action, that all privileges of membership will be lost during the period the suspension is in effect and that said suspension shall begin thirty (30) days after notification.
  - a. The minimum period of suspension shall be sixty (60) days.

**Section 5: Reinstatement of membership.**

- A. Any person who has been suspended from membership in the Association may be reinstated as a member in good standing by vote of the Board of Directors upon written request of the member, provided all infractions of the Bylaws and/or Association rules shall have been rectified.
- B. When a member is reinstated AHA shall be notified and a personal letter sent to the member stating that the membership has been restored.

**ARTICLE IV**

**MEETINGS:**

There shall be no less than one (1) Annual general meeting throughout the calendar year. Time and place of said meeting to be determined by the Board of Directors.

- A. The Annual General Membership meeting shall be held on the first weekend of December of each year, or as close to that date as possible, beginning in 1987. Each member shall be notified in writing through the U.S. Postal Service twenty (20) days in advance of such meeting. The General Membership shall be notified of all meetings of the Board of Directors in writing through the U.S. Postal Service twenty (20) days in advance of such meetings and invited to attend.
- B. Special meetings of the members may be called at the discretion of the President and shall be called at the written request of any six (6) Directors or fifteen (15) percent of the voting members. Notice to such meetings may be given via mail, e-mail or phone. Any

such request shall state the special business to be transacted at such meeting. Any such meeting shall be held within thirty (30) days of such call or request and at a time and place fixed by the Board of Directors or the President.

- C. Fifty-one percent (51) percent of those eligible voting members in attendance at meetings shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business at meetings of the membership.
- D. Voting – At the annual or special meetings of the members, the members shall
  - 1. Each individual membership – one (1) vote.
  - 2. Each Family membership – two (2) votes.
  - 3. Each Local Youth membership – no vote.
  - 4. Each Local Adult membership – no vote.
  - 5. Each Youth Membership (AHA) – no vote.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **DISTRICTS:**

#### **Section 1: Boundaries**

- A. The State shall be divided into geographic Districts by county.
- B. Changes in District boundaries or additions/dissolution of Districts shall be considered by the Board of Directors at the written request of any member. The decision of the Board of Directors regarding the location of District boundaries shall be final.

#### **Section 2: Administration**

- A. Each District shall be represented on the Board of Directors by two (2) District Directors whose two (2) year terms shall expire respectively on alternating years.
- B. The two (2) District Directors of each District shall be responsible for the operation, administration, and activities of the District which elected them.
- C. The two (2) District Directors of each District shall appoint or cause to be elected for each calendar year a person to any or all of the following key positions, providing the District's membership indicates a desire or need for said persons as being necessary for the successful operation of the District's activities – District Secretary, District Program Chairman, and other District committee chairmen (such as Show, Trail, Legislative, etc.)
- D. The District Directors shall conduct a minimum of three (3) meetings per year in their District with all members to be notified in writing through the U.S. Postal Service, or via e-mail to those members who prefer it, ten (10) days in advance of such meeting. Meeting shall be defined as a duly notified gathering of members with an official agenda, whether or not held in connection with another activity.
- E. The two (2) District Directors shall have custody of all funds of the subject District which shall deposit in the name of the subject District of the Association in a bank or savings

and loan association, insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. They shall keep accurate records of all the receipts and disbursements and shall submit in writing a complete financial report of the subject District to the Association President at the time of the Annual Meeting held in December. District Directors shall also report the balance for all District bank accounts at each State meeting. The District operating treasury may not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) at the time of each State Board meeting. District Directors will be responsible for returning to the State Treasurer any amount over two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) except that additional funds may be retained for specific projects.

- F. No new Association sponsored bank accounts may be opened without the express approval of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.
- G. Annual events with their own bank accounts shall not be included with the District operating capital of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). Such accounts shall be reviewed by the Audit Committee and a bank balance reported at each State meeting. Horse show accounts may retain up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) in seed money. Show Managers/Treasurers will be responsible for returning any amount over ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) except that additional funds may be retained for specific show expense liabilities or anticipated show expenses budgeted and approved by the Board of Directors.
- H. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to provide supplemental money in modest amounts to District Directors in case of an emergency.
- I. Seed money for major events may be requested by the Districts and will require Board approval.
- J. District Directors are expected to attend all District (4- 3) and all State (3) meetings. In the event the District is not represented by one or both of its Directors (or previously named alternates prepared to make required financial and other reports) at two (2) consecutive meetings, that District will be encouraged to replace one or both of its Directors.
- K. When a District hosts or sponsors a new event or makes a change in an existing event that could have significant financial consequence to PAHA, the District shall prepare, in writing, a proposal stating the degree of State liability, accounting procedures to be used, proposed distribution of profits, and any other disclosures that PAHA may require. To this end, PAHA shall promulgate a clear set of guidelines for making such proposals.
- L. The Chairman or Manager of any PAHA or District sponsored show or event of major financial consequence is expected to attend all State (3) meetings to report on the plans for, or the status of the show or event. If the Chairman or Manager cannot attend a meeting, he/she shall be responsible to adequately inform a representative member who will be in attendance and make the report to the Board.

- M. If a District becomes inactive, the District Directors shall see that any monies accrued be returned to the PAHA State treasury.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **DIRECTORS:**

- A. The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the officers specified I Article VIII of these bylaws, the immediate past President, and twenty (20) members in good standing elected either as District Directors or Directors-At-Large.
- B. Each District shall cause to be elected before November 30 of each calendar year one (1) District Director to serve a term of two (2) calendar years, term to begin with the new calendar year.
- C. A District may elect one or more ranked Alternate Directors to serve at a State Board of Directors meeting in the absence of the regular Directors. The Alternate at the time of election must meet the same qualifications (see E below) as the Director for that District. Alternate Directors may be named at any State meeting, but Alternates not previously named may not be seated in the absence of the elected Director.
- D. The number of Directors-At-Large to be elected shall be that which is necessary to bring the total number of Directors to twenty (20). These shall be elected by the general voting membership for a two (2) year term under the procedure specified in Article VII.
- E. Qualifications for District Directors and Directors-At-Large shall be as follows: Said Director shall have been a voting member of PAHA during the year of the election and the calendar year immediately preceding the election year.
- F. There shall be at least three (3) regular meetings of the Board of Directors each year. Time and place of these meetings shall be set by the Board of Directors or Hospitality Committee.
- G. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Board of Directors.
- H. Vacancies in any District Directorship shall be filled by the respective District, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
- I. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President whenever he/she may deem it necessary, or upon written request of any six (6) Directors. Not less than ten (10) days' notice by written request through the U.S. Postal Service shall be given each Director.
- J. When directed by the President or at the request of at least six (6) Directors with the knowledge of the President, if a simple majority of the Directors voting by mail shall

consent in writing to any matter, or if in an extreme emergency they consent via telephone vote or electronic transmission; such consent shall be valid as though formal action thereon had been taken as a meeting of the Board of Directors.

- K. Absent a breach of fiduciary duty, lack of good faith in self-dealing, action by a Director will be presumed to be in the best interest of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **ELECTION:**

- A. The biennial election of Officers and Directors-At-Large of the Association shall be held at the time and place of the holding of the Annual Meeting in the even numbered years, beginning in 1982.
- B. The term of office shall be as follows:
  - 1. The Officers and Directors elected at the Annual Meeting in the even numbered years shall assume office at the close of the Annual Meeting and serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors have been duly qualified and elected.
  - 2. District Directors, having been elected according to the specifications of Article VI, shall assume office at the close of the Annual Meeting and shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors have been duly qualified and elected.
- C. Each member entitled to vote may cast his vote by mail ballot for one (1) of each officer positions to be elected, and one (1) of each Director-At-Large positions to be elected.
- D. The Association Secretary shall send to each voting member a ballot listing the nominees for each Association office and positions of Director-At-Large at least twenty (20) days before the Annual Meeting in the even numbered years. Each ballot for Officers and Directors-At-Large is to be arranged so that it may be cast through the mail without disclosing the voter's name. Such ballots, to be counted, must be received by the Secretary not later than the third day prior to the Annual Meeting in the even numbered years or delivered to the Association Secretary at the start of the Director's Meeting on the day of the Annual Meeting in the even numbered year. Votes shall be counted on the day of the annual meeting in the even numbered years by a committee of tellers appointed by the President.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **OFFICERS:**

- A. The officers of the Association shall be a **President, Vice President, Secretary** and **Treasurer**, and such other officers as the Board of Directors may appoint. The offices of the Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person.



B. Qualifications for office shall be as follows: Said officer shall have been a member of PAHA during the year of the election and the calendar year immediately preceding the election year.

C. The duties of the **President** shall be as follows:

1. The President shall preside at all membership and Board of Directors meetings.
2. With the exception of the Nominating Committee and Auditing Committee, he/she shall appoint all committees (that serve at the pleasure of the President) and he/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
3. Within the limitations imposed by the Articles of Incorporation, these bylaws, and any duly adopted resolutions, the President shall have the general power to conduct and manage the affairs and business of the Association.
4. In the event that any position of an officer of the Association shall become vacant, or remain vacant after proper succession and assumption of duties as provided for in the following Section D and E, the President shall be empowered to appoint, for the unexpired term resulting from such vacancy, and individual meeting the requirements of qualification of office. The appointment shall be approved by a vote of the Board of Directors at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors.

D. The duties of the **Vice President** shall be as follows:

1. The Vice President, in order of precedence, shall assume the duties of the President in the event of the President's absence or inability to act, or at his/her request.
2. The Vice President shall have other duties as may be specifically delegated to him/her by the President.

E. The duties of the **Secretary** shall be as follows:

1. The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, a full and complete record of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting, regular meetings, and meetings of the Board of Directors.
2. The Secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, the books, documents and papers of the Association.
3. The Secretary shall handle or cause to be handled all correspondence communications approved by the President and perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary.
4. The Secretary shall publish notice of the place and date of the Annual Meeting, general meetings, and meetings of the Board of Directors.
5. The Secretary shall keep a corrected, current copy of the Association's bylaws.

6. The Secretary shall, in conjunction with the Membership Chairman, keep a current roster of members and update said roster to AHA.
7. The Secretary may have such other duties as may be delegated to him/her by the President.

F. The duties of the **Treasurer** shall be as follows:

1. The Treasurer shall receive all monies belonging or paid to the Association, and safely keep the same.
2. The Treasurer shall disburse funds of the Association in accordance with directions given to him/her by the President.
3. The Treasurer shall keep complete books of account, prepare and present an itemized statement to the Annual Meeting, and prepare and present such interim reports as may be required by the President.
4. The Treasurer shall have such other duties as may be delegated to him/her by the President.

G. The officers of the Association, namely the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the Immediate Past President shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Association and shall be empowered to act on matters as requested from time to time by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES:**

### **Section 1: Delegates to Region 15 and the AHA Convention**

A. Appointment of Delegates

1. The number of voting delegates and alternates eligible to represent PAHA at the annual Convention is determined by AHA as of the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day of June each year.
2. The current President of PAHA shall have the option to serve as a Delegate at his/her pleasure providing said officer meets all criteria for Delegate selection.
3. Any elected delegate or alternate shall be a PAHA voting member in good standing as defined in Article III, Section 1.E.

B. Any PAHA voting member may submit name(s) (including his/her own) in writing to the PAHA Board of Directors for consideration as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate together with statements of qualification by November 1<sup>st</sup> in any year.

- C. Delegates shall be named at the Annual State meeting from a slate of candidates whose names were submitted to the PAHA Board of Directors per Article IX, Section 1.B. by a joint vote of the PAHA Board of Directors and Delegates, including Alternate Delegates who have attended two (2) out of three (3) of the immediately preceding conventions
- D. The method of voting shall rank the Delegates to prioritize the order of those to serve should PAHA be entitled to fewer Delegates than the total number elected after the June 30 AHA deadline for membership count.
- E. Delegates will be ranked in order as 1, 2, etc. Any Delegate ranked higher than the number of AHA granted Delegates shall be considered an Alternate. Anyone wishing to serve as an Alternate only will be ranked accordingly at the time of voting.
- F. Once chosen, every Delegate and Alternate is strongly encouraged to attend two (2) of the three (3) district meetings, two (2) of the three (3) state meetings, and two (2) of the four (4) Region 15 meetings (including convention caucus).
- G. A Chairman and Vice Chairman of the delegation may be elected by the current list of voting Delegates and Alternates, or if the President has chosen to serve as a Delegate (as allowed in Article IX, Section 1.A.2), he/she may serve as the Chairman and appoint a Vice Chair, if necessary.
- H. In case of death or loss of eligibility of a Delegate before their term has expired, the President shall have the authority to appoint a Delegate to complete said term.
- I. In the event that PAHA does not have enough Delegates to attend the annual convention, the Executive Committee shall appoint additional Delegates at their discretion.
- J. Responsibilities of Chairman of Delegation:
  - 1. The Chairman shall keep accurate attendance-records of Delegates and Alternates to conventions.
  - 2. The Chairman shall complete the necessary paperwork for seating of Delegates at the AHA convention.
  - 3. The Chairman shall ascertain that as many committee meetings as possible at the convention are covered and reported on by at least one (1) Delegate.
  - 4. The Chairman shall, in event of the absence of a Delegate at the convention, assign an Alternate, if one is available.
- K. Responsibilities of Delegates and Alternates:
  - 1. Delegates and Alternates are strongly *encouraged* to attend Region 15 and PAHA meetings, as outlined in Article IX, Section 1.F.

2. Delegates who attend the Convention shall turn in a written report to the Chairman within four weeks after the Convention. The Chairman may assign one (1) Delegate to write a summary for publication and/or place all reports on the PAHA website. Delegates and Alternates not complying will be considered in violation of this requirement and subject to Article IX, Section 1.L.3.

L. Financial Reimbursement:

1. Delegates and Alternates *may* receive financial reimbursement at the PAHA Executive Board's discretion, providing that such Delegates and Alternates have participated in at least four (4) events in the following categories in the year preceding Convention:
  - b. PAHA State Meeting (Three (3) held/calendar year)
  - c. PAHA District Meeting (Three (3) held/calendar year/active district)
  - d. Volunteer at any PAHA sponsored event
2. The PAHA Executive Board may, at their discretion, partly reimburse delegates and alternates who do not meet the above criterion.
3. Any Delegate or Alternate who received financial reimbursement and did not submit a written report per Article IX, Section 1.K.2 shall have any subsequent reimbursements held until after they submit a report for the Convention attended.

**Section 2: Nominating and Auditing Committees:**

- A. The **Nominating Committee** shall be elected biannually in the even number Years by the Board of Directors at the first general meeting following the Annual meeting and shall be composed of three (3) members in good standing. It is recommended that the Nominating Committee present a slate containing at least two (2) candidates for each state office or Director-At-Large position, said slate to be presented at the general meeting immediately preceding the Annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at this general meeting.
- B. A **Financial Review Committee** shall consist of three members in good standing. Starting with the existing committee in 2013, one member shall be elected (or re-elected) annually on a rotating basis at the first meeting following the Annual meeting to serve a three-year term.

**Section 3: Committees and their Functions:**

- A. The President may appoint the following committees:
  1. **Youth Activities** – To initiate a Youth Activities Program which may be used as a foundation for expansion in future years to enable this Association to be increasingly concerned with the youngsters interested in the Arabian horse.
  2. **Hospitality** – To greet guests and members at meetings and functions; to arrange for refreshments, menus, reservations, etc., when requested and to assist in setting up meetings and arranging entertainment.

3. **Public Relations and Breed Promotion** – To compile, edit, and send to all members news of individual horse shows and all Association business also to handle news releases, promotion and/or information booths related to the Association's activities.
4. **Gelding Promotion** – To promote the gelding as a horse usable for show, pleasure, trail, racing, hunting and dressage.
5. **Futurity** – To organize and promote a Futurity program in the East which will tend to expand the breeding, increase the quality, and promote the sales of the Arabian breed in the East.
6. **Membership** – To keep an up-to-date membership roster of all members in good standing and their resident District and to do all things necessary to increase the membership; to be responsible to the Association Secretary, District Directors, and Newsletter Editor.
7. **Arabian Goodwill Ambassador Award** – To receive written nominations annually stating reasons for the nominee to receive the award; to be responsible for selecting the recipient of the award in the Committee's opinion any one nominee is deserving of same. Committee to consist of last three (3) persons to receive this award. President to fill any vacancy by appointment.
8. **Budget** – To prepare a balanced budget for the coming year for presentation to the Board of Directors at each annual meeting.
9. **High Point Awards** – To be responsible for annual nominations of horses for PAHA High Point Awards and to keep and verify accurate point records of all horses nominated, to plan and execute the awards presentation annually.
10. **Show** – To plan, organize, and conduct PAHA shows.
11. **Trail** – To promote the Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo Arabian as a trail horse and to conduct activities related thereunto.
12. **PAHA History** – To keep a permanent record of Association events, projects and programs.
13. **Racing** – To promote the Arabian as a race horse.
14. **Resolutions** – To study and prepare resolutions for presentation at the AHA Convention and to assure that all AHA resolutions reach PAHA officers and Directors for discussion before the time of the Annual Convention.
15. **Show and Projects** – To be composed of four (4) members each serving a four (4) year term, one (1) member to be appointed by the President annually. This

committee shall review and advise the Board of Directors regarding shows, projects and activities both current and proposed as relates to the club.

16. **Half-Arabian/Anglo Arabian** – To promote the Half-Arabian/Anglo Arabian horse as a versatile animal for show, pleasure, trail, racing, hunter and dressage.

17. **Bylaws** – To maintain a continual review of the current bylaws and recommend changes when appropriate. Members shall be appointed by the President of PAHA.

B. The President may appoint other special committees as needed and shall require that organizers of all State activities abide by guidelines outlined in Article V, Section 2, B.9.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **FINANCIAL REPORTING:**

Every District and all approved PAHA shows, activities, futurities, high point awards or any activity using the PAHA tax identification number are required to submit to the Treasurer a copy of the bank balance statement of said activities account at each PAHA meeting. Each of these entities are required to submit to the Treasurer a financial report of the specific activities for the year October 1 through September 30 at least ten (10) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY:**

- A. The rules contained in “Robert’s Rule of Order, Revised: shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.
- B. The above rules of order will cover the Annual Meeting, the regular meetings, the Board of Directors meetings and all committee meetings.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **AMENDMENT:**

- A. The members of the Association by a majority vote of the members present and voting may alter, amend, suspend or annul these bylaws at any regular meeting called for that purpose.
- B. A copy of proposed bylaw amendments shall be in the hands of all voting members twenty (20) days before the meeting called for that purpose.

## **ARTICLE XIII**

### **SUPERSESSION:**

These bylaws supersede any and all bylaws in effect heretofore and supersede any and all resolutions inconsistent herewith.

#### **ARTICLE XIV**

##### **DISSOLUTION:**

The Pennsylvania Arabian Horse Association, Inc. may be dissolved upon recommendation of the Board of Directors and by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership ratifying the recommendation through a mail ballot. In anticipation of dissolution of the Association any funds in the Association's treasury shall be used for the continuation of existing activities until there are no funds remaining. If existing activities cannot be continued any funds in the Association's treasury will become the property of the Arabian Horse Association.

#### **ARTICLE XV**

##### **CORPORATE SEAL:**

The Association shall have a seal on which shall appear the words "The Pennsylvania Arabian Horse Association – A Pennsylvania non-profit Corporation", founded in 1963.

The above bylaws were adopted by PAHA on January 21, 1973 and amended March 1976; October 1981, March 1982, March 1983, December 1984, December 1989, March 1991, March 1992, October 1992, December 1992, December 1993, December 1995, October 1999, September 2004, March 2008, December 2009, October 2010, March, 2011, March 2012, March 2016 and December 2018