



FJORD HORSE INTERNATIONAL - GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1st May 2013, Nordfjordeid MINUTES

The GA was opened by Nils Ivar Dolvik at 5 pm.

1. N.I.D. presents the board members and confirms that the invitation to the GA has been presented in due time.

2. The participants and their voting rights:
 - Norges Fjordhestlag / Anni D. Fladby / 10 votes
 - Fjordpferdevereinigung Schweiz / proxy by Arne Presthus / 10 votes
 - Belgisch Fjordenpaardenstamboek / Marcel Descamps, Jan Verbeeck / 10 votes
 - Nederlands Fjordenpaardenstamboek / Bob van Bon / 10 votes
 - Interessengemeinschaft Fjordferd IGF / Jochen Nösinger / 10 votes
 - Fjord Nat. Studbook Ass of Great Britain / John Goddard – Fenwick / 10 votes
 - Arne Presthus, private member / 1 vote
 - Susanne Petersen, private member, 1 vote

Total votes = 62

Present board members : Nils Ivar Dolvik, Berit Bergset, Jochen Nösinger, Maureen van Bon, Michelle Delaurier

3. The agenda is approved by the GA

4. N.I.D. is elected as chairman, Susanne Petersen is elected as secretary.
5. Anni D. Fladby and Marcel Descamps are elected to sign the minutes.

6. Website: Berit asked for input and announces to remove the calendar because it is not being used.

Nils states that 2 representatives are working on harmonising the rules for the European Championships: Petra Ohly from Germany and Lucinda Reksten from Norway.

Nils states that in order to estimate the cost of establishing an international database, Ola Kristianson (Rikstoto) is trying to merge the data from the Netherlands with the Norwegian studbook data. A meeting with the Norwegian government is coming up about the financing. Nils emphasizes that the international registry can be brought on the way but not be financed by the FHI.

France and Great-Britain are introduced as new members.

7. Input to the board about activities. Michelle suggests to translate the Norwegian breeding plan for the website. Targets (enclosed) for a common registry are discussed.
8. Annual accounts 2012 are presented and approved by the GA.
9. Nils proposes to keep the same fees for 2014 and the GA approves: 1000 NOK for associations, 300 NOK for the personal members.
10. Elections:
Board members:
 - Nils Ivar Dolvik is re-elected as president for one year.
 - Maureen van Bon is re-elected for one more year.
 - Inger Davidson is elected for two years.Substitutes:
 - Sabine Münch – von Ah is elected for two years.
 - Olav van Leeuwen is elected for two years.Auditor: Knud Rasmus Hjelle is elected for one year.
11. Free discussion: Video from Germany is shown of the Fjord Fahr Team at Equitana. Susanne asks about promoting of the signature sport. Arne proposes the production of an international video showing fjord horse activities.
N.I.D. closes the GA at 7.15 pm.

Susanne Petersen,

May 1st, 2013

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Anni D. Fladby

Date: *3/5-2013*

Anni Dreyer Fladby

Marcel Descamps

Date: *02 Mai 2013*

Marcel Descamps

N. I. Dolvik

Nils Ivar Dolvik, president

Date: *3/5-13*

Vision: To organize pedigree and phenotypic data from the Fjord horse registries around the world in one database, owned by The Fjord Horse International (FHI), and to calculate relationship, inbreeding and international breeding values for Fjord horses

Register all Fjord horses

Short term: To organize an operative, updated pedigree database for all Fjord horses around the world owned by The Fjord Horse International (FHI).

Target 1: A feasibility study on whether data from different countries can be merged, with data from Norway and Netherland examined first. This is a pilot study that will give information as to how much work and to what cost this can be done for all member countries.

Target 2: On this basis, the Board of the FHI will make a decision, whether an operative pedigree database should be established. FHI should be the owner of the database and its contents, meaning that it is up to FHI to decide how to use the data in the database.

Target 3: FHI will, through an application for Norwegian funding, establish the database.

Target 4: FHI will, through the financed project, receive and organize data from all member countries.

Target 5: The project will examine the data quality from each country. Analyze the pedigree information on the international data, as well as calculating relationship (within and between populations) and the individual inbreeding coefficients. The demonstration of the value of the data will be incorporated in the application to Norwegian authorities and the initial work by organizing and carry out the first calculations will be done in Norway with the approval of the FHI.

Target 6: Each country must appoint one person, responsible for annually updating of the FHI pedigree database.

Long term agreements:

- Aim at standardized judging of all horses around the world after the international hand book.
- Exchange of judges across countries for stallion licensing.
- Organize phenotypic data for estimation of breeding values, for both confirmation and performance data.

