

## CGA Board of Directors Meeting

November 18, 2007  
1<sup>st</sup> BoD Meeting for 2007 – 2008  
Radisson Hotel, Fresno, CA

### **CGA Officers (2007-2009) Present:**

Skip Hofman, President  
Ron Butts, Past President  
Roger Odom, Vice President  
Lesia Hofman, Treasurer  
Meghan Abatti, Secretary  
Gayle Lewis, Northern Vice President  
Belinda Harms, Central Vice President  
Andy Krogh, Southern Vice President  
Sheri Herchkorn, Rules & Judges Chairman

### **CGA Officers (2007-2009) Absent:**

### **Elected Directors Present:**

Andy Krogh, Dianna Merrick, Michele Easel  
Charlea Moore, Phyllis Odom, Christopher Rowles,  
Brent Engelhardt

### **Elected Directors Absent:**

None

### **Appointed Directors Present:**

Appointed and approved during the meeting:  
Sue Engelhardt, Robert Frates, Dave Bach, Janet  
Young, Sally Rivera-Lingafeldt, Patrick Hoffman

### **Board of Governors Absent:**

None

### **Parliamentarian Present:**

Stacy Rivera

### **Board of Governors Present:**

Stan Janssen, Sheri Herchkorn, Kenny Aeschliman,  
B.J Hohman, Skip Hofman

### **Board of Governors Absent:**

None

### **District Delegates Present:**

#1- Dana Herchkorn	#4- Bev Hampton	#6- Tammy Bach
#7- Gerelee Azevedo	#8- Tammy Piago	#9- Rebekah Crill
# 10 – Claudia Payne	#12- Scott Pinkerton	#14- Margo Abatti
#15- Kori Cruz	# 17- Victoria Scott Edwards	# 18- Joanne Galbraith
#19- Marta Weststeyn	#21- Bonita Davenport	#23- Virginia Leighton
#30- Jennifer Ogawa	#32- Shelly Njrich	#33- Robert Frates
#35- David Leighton	#50- Bob Bucks	

**District Delegates Absent:** #5, #11, #20, #22, #26, #27, #28, #40, #45, #49

**Guests Present:** Thirteen (13)

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by President Skip Hofman.

**I. Opening and Introductory Comments – President Skip Hofman**

Newly elected President, Skip Hofman welcomed everyone to the 1<sup>st</sup> Board of Directors Meeting for the 2007-2008 season. Skip expressed his sincere desire to serve the organization well and explained his hope for a great show season.

Before continuing Vice President Roger Odom read the CGA meeting rules of conduct. This document/announcement serves to remind all in attendance that all members have a right to speak and be respected during the meeting. Members should state their name before speaking and keep comments to only three minutes. Members should speak only one at a time and when recognized, eliminating all personal comments and side conversations.

**II. Agenda Items- Reports**

**Item II. A: President’s Report** – Skip Hofman

- 1. Presidential Appointments:** President Skip Hofman made the following appointments to office for the 2007-2009 term

Appointed Directors: Janet Young, Sue Engelhardt, Robert Frates, Dave Bach, Sally Rivera-Lingafeldt and Patrick Hoffman (Patrick Hoffman’s appointment will serve to fill Roger Odom’s vacancy to complete the one year term)

Regional Vice Presidents: Northern Vice President, Gayle Lewis; Central Vice President, Belinda Harms; Southern Vice President, Andy Krogh

Parliamentarian: Stacy Rivera

Seeing no opposition to the appointments, the President proceeded to swear the group of individuals in to office.

**Item II. B: Vice President’s Report** – Roger Odom

Vice President Roger Odom had nothing special to report, but did thank all individuals involved in putting Convention together for all of their hard work throughout the weekend.

**Item II. C: Secretary’s Report** – Meghan Abatti

- 1. Approve Minutes:** July 28, 2007 Minutes from the 3<sup>rd</sup> BoD meeting for 2006 – 2007 as presented by Secretary Meghan Abatti. The minutes included eleven (11) pages of text with Meghan briefly highlighting some of the main topics within the script (membership to the Board of Governors change, formal complaint processing change, district newspaper fee removed again, passing of 30 day prior notice for agenda voting items).

**MOTION** by Andy Krogh to waive the complete reading of the minutes and accept the minutes as presented. **Seconded** by Bob Bucks.

**MOTION PASSED.**

**Item II. D: Treasurer's Report** – Lesa Hofman

1. **Financial Report:** Treasurer Lesa Hofman reviewed all the financial documents provided at the meetings' entrance. Lesa explained that as of July 20, 2007 CGA had \$216,813.80 in the bank, CGA deposited a total of \$70,364.54 from July 20<sup>th</sup> to November 12<sup>th</sup>; total disbursements during that same time totaled \$150,595.79 for a final cash balance of \$13,585.55 as of November 12, 2007.

Lesla highlighted that CGA is rather close to the 'budget to actual' figures for the year, spending only \$4,880 more than intended. She also highlighted the profit/loss each State Sanctioned show generated during the 2006-2007 show season.

*MOTION* by Bob Bucks to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. *Seconded* by Cindy Hoffman. *MOTION PASSED.*

**Item II. E: Governing Board Report** – Stan Janssen, Chairman of the BoG

Stan Janssen stated that the Board of Governors had sent out a report (to all BoD members) detailing the happenings of the BoG's last meeting. Stan went through each of the following items:

1. The Board of Governors identified dates for the coming years meetings in an effort to do a better job of meeting 'face to face,' instead of conducting most business via email and telephone.
2. Bolado Park visit: Stan, Skip and Roger met and Bolado Park during the fair to see the electrical set-up and to meet with park management. The park was able to make significant improvements with State funds, which were secured with the help of CGA's letter of intent to hold State Show at the park for the next five (5) years. The goal is to see improvements during the next State Show – better PA system, more electrical hook-ups.
3. Website: The CGA website has been under construction! Stan asked members to please send comments and concerns to either himself or the web master. The BoG talked about potentially using the website for advertising, but they are still looking into the financials (i.e. what are advertisements worth?).
4. Procedure Manual: This document is a work in progress and served as a big portion of the BoG meeting. The document is still not complete but improved.
5. Budget: Stan highlighted the Assets Sheet and explained CGA has been able to purchase items for improvement and when it makes good sense to purchase those items (good return on our investment). CGA has invested in both office equipment and show equipment. For instance CGA has purchased portable stalls that are rented to Bolado Park periodically throughout the year to generate income.
6. State Sponsored Shows: The BoG believes CGA needs to seriously considering if these shows should continue. The shows generally do not generate much income (if any) and very few districts are interested in even hosting the shows. To date, no district has volunteered for Jamboree. It may make more sense to allow several districts to host weekend shows during the same dates the State Sponsored Shows are traditionally held.
7. Laminate Cards: CGA has ordered 250 laminate cards for judges with all course diagrams. Judges will have cards mailed to them and extras will be sold to members.
8. Awards Costs: Stan discussed that the awards cost for the coming year are increasing and CGA will need to absorb this cost for the 2007-2008 season because award fees

have already been set for the year. CGA has entered a contract with Crumrine for five (5) years to help control buckle costs. The BoG is suggesting that perhaps the ride fee to the districts should/may be increased to help absorb this cost in the coming years (\$0.25-\$0.50 per ride). Stan pointed out awards programs often run in the red. The BoG is in the midst of an analysis on award program costs and will have a recommendation in the coming BoD's meetings.

Charlea Moore explained in years prior CGA never had cost centers. All money went into the same pot and paid all costs. Charlea believes that because CGA is a non-profit each program should not be analyzed for profit/loss, but CGA should look at the bottom line.

9. Check Disclaimer: CGA is adding a check disclaimer to the bottom of State Sponsored Show entries.
10. Awards Structure: The BoG believes many members do not fully understand that Level 2 awards require more riding. Because of this, the BoG thinks perhaps the Level 1 award should be included in all awards. Again, the BoG will have a recommendation in the coming meetings.

### **Item II. F: State Office Report** – Phyllis Odom, General Manager

State Office Manager, Phyllis Odom announced there are 2,630 current members paid to date and rides were up in the 2006-2007 show season by 1,112 rides. Phyllis also briefly ran through the number of riders currently signed up for the upcoming show season. Phyllis stated there are currently twenty (20) judges jackets ordered that should arrive in mid January.

Phyllis asked for the Board's approval to remove the 'license key' that was written into the CGA software which prohibits and allows districts to renew their software license. Because this action will require a motion and approval, this will serve as a 30 day notice to be included on the agenda for the next BoD meeting as a voting item.

Several members complimented the new buckle design. In light of Stan's discussion about Level 2 awards, Charlea Moore requested the number of riders who did not qualify for Level 2 awards in the '06-'07 show season. Phyllis stated she would bring that number to the next meeting.

## **III. Agenda Items - Committee Reports**

### **Item III. A: Master Judge Advisory Committee (MAC)** – Sheri Herchkorn

Sheri Herchkorn began her report by thanking Sally Rivera Lingafeldt and Stacy Rivera for their hard work on revising the judge's test. Both Sally and Stacy have been working on the project for over two (2) years! Sheri reported the last time the MAC met was during State Show and they had a few pertinent items to bring to the BoD for discussion and vote.

1. **Master Judge Qualification:** The MAC has been looking at potential Master Judges to groom for the coming years, the problem is that CGA has several candidates who are highly qualified for the position but fall short in one area – Item 11.5 in the Regulations and Information Manual #3 CGA Commitment. This states for a member to qualify they must “[have] *served on the Board of Directors as an elected or appointed director.*” The MAC believes this severely limits the pool of candidates and if a member meets the rest

of the qualifications, they have shown ability and commitment enough to serve. The MAC was of a unanimous decision on the matter.

**MOTION** by Sheri Herchkorn to strike from Item 11.5, #3 CGA Commitments in the Regulations and Information Manual “...*having served on the Board of Directors as an elected or appointed director for a minimum of two (2) years...*”

**Seconded** by Ron Butts. **Discussion Followed.**

Dianna Merrick felt this was a good suggestion and would increase the number of qualified candidates. Charlea Moore expressed her belief that the qualifications are for a reason. Charlea argued there are important things that happen with the Board and any potential Master Judge should be aware and familiar with those things. Several members are currently qualified to serve as Master Judges, but have never been asked. Charlea later revoked her statement that the qualifications should stand ‘as is,’ but maintained there are several members already qualified who have not been considered. Brent Engelhardt felt the main qualifications for a Master Judge were integrity and the ability to answer questions or at least know where and how to find answers to those questions. Ron Butts explained there is a need to pull in more Master Judges because CGA is losing Master Judges faster than they are being added so eliminating this item would help pull more candidates into the pool. Members continued to discuss what exactly qualifies a Master Judge and how there are several Senior Judges throughout the state who currently assist and help both Master Judges and districts. Perhaps there wasn’t a need for more Master Judges with so many Senior Judges available to assist. Stan Janssen pointed out the MAC believes a Master Judge should be able to enforce the rules and not necessarily be on the ruling body (BoD). Having more Master Judges would help spread duties out and not put so much geographical responsibility on one person. Sue Engelhardt highlighted the fact that several Master Judges are still involved with CGA and do not even own or ride horses any more, eventually those individuals may step away from CGA and there needs to be candidates to replace them. A lengthy discussion continued regarding the topic, with members reiterating items previously listed.

**Call for the question** by Christopher Rowles and **Seconded** by Ron Butts. **Passed.**

The above **MOTION PASSED.**

- 2. Pony Certificates/Permanent Pony Certificate:** The MAC was asked at the Rule and Judges Meeting to come back to the BoD with a recommendation regarding pony measurement and certificates. The MAC is recommending that all measurements shall be done only by a Master Judge and any pony that is not on the permanent pony list shall be measured each year. Sheri read aloud the following suggested wording change in the Rule Book under Item 3.5 Pony Size (changes are highlighted in bold italic font):

Item 3.5: Pony Size

To qualify *an animal to compete in a CGA Pony Division the animal* must measure ***13’2” hands or*** fifty-four (54”) inches or less without shoes using a ***CGA provided*** rigid measuring stick that has a leveler built into the horizontal arm. An additional one-quarter (1/4”) inch is allowed when a pony is shod. ***All ponies must be certified by a CGA Master Judge annually, and*** expire at the end of State Show for the current season. ***Those animals that measure greater than 12’2” must be measured by two (2) Master Judges or one Master Judge and the local Sr. Judge. All annual certificates must be submitted to the CGA Office***

*by the certifying Master Judge. A copy should be give to the member for their records. Certificates are supplied to the Master Judges by the CGA Office.*

*The final decision to certify an animal as a CGA Pony lies with the Master Judge measuring the animal. The Master Judge Advisory Committee reserves the right to revoke any pony status if a majority of them feels that circumstances have changed since the certification was granted.*

*A CGA Permanent Pony status may be granted if the animal meets any one (1) of the following requirements: 1) The animal has Permanent status as of 11/16/07 2) A pony is measured less than 12'2" hands, the Master Judge is certain the animal will not grow and the Maser Judge is willing to certify the animal as a Permanent Pony. 3)Any pony is measured greater than 12'2" hands but less than 13'2" hands consecutively for three (3) years and the Master Judges is certain the animal will not grow and is willing to certify the animal as a Permanent Pony. There measurements must be taken by at least two different Master Judges or the same Master Judge and the local Sr. Judge.*

*Proper documentation is provided to the CGA State Office. The required documentation includes notification by the certifying Master Judge to the State Office, and a description of the legs, face and any other significant markings. These authorizing documents will sere as evidence of CGA Permanent Pony when posted o the CGA website. CGA Permanent Pony certification is assigned to the specific animal and may be used by any member when competing. The certification remains with the anima regardless of ownership changes and does not require renewal.*

**MOTION** by Sheri Herchkorn to approve the above proposed process for pony measurements and certification. **Seconded** by Dana Herchkorn. **Discussion Followed.**

Dianna Merrick spoke in favor of the proposed changes and felt it would be a good, fool proof process. Margaret Whitelaw Haynie questioned one can determine if a pony has truly stopped growing. Sheri responded by stating it will be the judgment of the Master Judge who should have absolutely no questions about potential growth, in addition age often comes into play. Stan Janssen explained the proposal was a start and could definitely be refined in the future; the MAC was trying to provide a platform to work forward from. Jennifer Ogawa asked if there could be a process included to protest or question any measurement. Meghan Abatti felt this would essentially be questioning the integrity of the Master Judge who had been entrusted to measure the pony. Stan Janssen pointed out the proposal had included the right for the MAC to revoke a certificate if they felt it was necessary. Rebekah Crill and Phyllis Odom both felt this procedure would be very difficult for small districts to implement who do not have a Master Judge visit regularly. Both questioned how a district would handle a new rider at a show with a pony and no Master Judge to certify the pony. Perhaps there needed to be an amendment to allow someone other than a Master Judge to measure a pony at the district level. Dianna Merrick suggested allowing for a provisional pony certificate unit a Master Judge could come to measure the pony. A lengthy discussion continued regarding the detail of the proposal and who should be able to measure a pony, however no conclusive agreements could be reached.

**MOTION** by Sheri Herchkorn to withdraw her motion and table the item until the next meeting. **Seconded** by Dianna Merrick. **Motion to Table PASSED.**

### **Item III. B: State Show 2007** – Stan Janssen

Stan Janssen had no special report.

The President called for a five (5) minute break at 10:35 am. The meeting was called back to order at 10:45 am.

#### IV. Agenda Items – Old Business

##### **Item IV. A: User Friendly P&L Document Proposal** – Lesa Hofman

Per the request of Shannon Rahn, Lesa Hofman put together a more user friendly, one page Profit and Loss Summary. Lesa explained the sheet included only the totals from the full P&L document and combined them into a one page, easy to read document. Full details from each total could be found in the full document. Many members spoke in favor of the document and appreciated its ease in understanding.

Phyllis Odom **MOVED** to accept the P&L Document as presented for presentation at each Board of Directors Meeting. **Seconded** by Michele Easel. **PASSED**.

#### V. Agenda Items – New Business

##### **Item V. A: Nominations/Elections for the Board of Governors**

Stan Janssen briefly explained the changes to the nomination and election process that had been approved at the prior BoD meeting. The President is a member of the BoG with full voting rights beginning in 2007. In addition, the Presidents term of membership is consistent with his/her term and the term of membership for elected BoG members is 4 years instead of 5 years. Nominations, by the Board of Directors, shall be submitted to the State Office in the same fashion that one would nominate a member for the Board of Directors. Elections shall take place at State Show. (*For full detail and wording changes, see page 6 of the July 28, 2007 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.*)

##### **Item V. B: State Show Division Placing/Points** – Bob Bucks

Bob Bucks explained he would like to see that the method off divisional points kept at State Show be changed so if a rider does not ride within their class (they get a time below their class), they do not accumulate points. Bob discussed how riders in any division could currently ride below their class and accumulate points (ie. a AA rider gets an A time and potentially accumulates points). Bob felt this system was especially inequitable if riders intentionally rode below their division because another rider had received a ‘No Time’ and the rider was only trying to accumulate points and not try their best.

**MOTION** by Bob Bucks that riders at State Show do not place and accumulate points if they run a time below their division. **Seconded** by Cindy Hoffman. **Discussion Followed**.

Phyllis Odom pointed out this could potentially mean a change to the CGA software. Charlea Moore highlighted that the way points are currently kept at State Show was done for specific reasons – the AAA+ riders could theoretically not accumulate any points.

Many members spoke in favor of Bob’s motion, explaining they felt riders should only place if they rode within their division, especially at State Show. Members argued that riders should always strive for their best, if they did not achieve the time, they should not place. These members also believed this motion would be an equitable point keeping system. Marta Weststeyn felt this would only encourage sand-bagging especially for those riders between divisions. Stan Janssen and Christopher Rowles both felt there was no need to change the point

system and it should be left alone. Both admitted there may be some inequities to the system, but it works, so leave it alone. Sue Engelhardt believed riders should be rewarded for trying their best irregardless of their time. Meghan Abatti believed the Board should be considering the membership as a whole, most members ride for the award and to strive for their best. Meghan felt if riders were intentionally riding below their division to accumulate points that was a sportsmanship issue. The discussion continued for several minutes with members reiterating their agreement or disagreement with the motion, using the same arguments listed above.

Roger Odom and Charlea Moore both felt we should not be passing a motion without first knowing the financial ramifications. Charlea Moore asked Bob to consider tabling his motion until the next meeting where financial costs could be presented. Bev Hampton suggested an amendment to the motion to include passing the change only if the financial costs made sense. After several suggestions centered on putting a financial cost to the motion Bob Bucks made the following amendment:

***MOTION Amended*** by Bob Bucks that riders at State Show do not place and accumulate points if they run a time below their division, only if the software changes are less than or equal to \$3,000) ***Seconded*** by Cindy Hoffman.

Above ***MOTION FAILED*** on a ***Hand Count*** (12/29).

**Item V. C: Queen and Court Candidate Age** – Skip Hofman

Skip Hofman made the following motion in regards to the eligible age for the Queen and Court candidates:

***MOTION*** by Skip Hofman to change the eligible age of the Queen and Court to fourteen (14) to nineteen (19) years of age. ***Seconded*** by Rebekah Crill. ***Discussion Followed.***

Skip Hofman felt the current eligible ages include young women that are too old and not easily guided by the Queen liaison. Skip argued those young women close to the age of 20 or 21 were less likely to be guided and alcohol may be a problem. Lea deMontigny felt drinking could be a problem, irregardless of age. Phyllis Odom pointed out that without the grandfathering in clause from the prior change, there would have been very few candidates this year. Phyllis also felt the older girls were less interested in the court by that age. Dianna Merrick believed all concerns discussed initially about including older girls came about and perhaps we should reconsider the age all together. Sheri Herchkorn stated she was working on the issue of the court entirely, looking at the need for more guidelines (something the current qualifications and expectations lack). Sheri spoke in favor of the motion along with several other individuals.

***Call for the question*** by Janet Young and ***Seconded*** by Stan Janssen. ***Passed.***

The above ***MOTION PASSED.***

**Item V. D: Rider Qualification for State Show** – Sheri Herchkorn

Sheri Herchkorn expressed her belief that those riders who participate and ride at State Show should 'qualify' to ride at State Show. Sheri felt 'riders' should be supporting the organization throughout the year and simply not show up to State Show without having ridden throughout the

year. Sheri explained that only the ‘rider’ should qualify and not necessarily a horse and rider combination – a ‘rider’ should show commitment and support to CGA throughout the year.

**MOTION** by Sheri Herchkorn that a ‘rider’ must rate FC to be eligible to enter State Show. **Seconded** by Dianna Merrick. **Discussion Followed.**

Several members spoke in favor of the motion, agreeing ‘riders’ should support the organization throughout the year. Members felt it was not fair that some riders come to State Show, win several awards and never contribute. Charlea Moore wanted to caution everyone there is one rider who comes to ride at State Show who would not be eligible to ride yet he/she is a very prominent figure within CGA. Dianna Merrick felt the motion would benefit all members and one individual should not out weigh the majority, even if he/she is a very prominent figure.

**Call for the question** by Christopher Rowles and **Seconded** by Dianna Merrick. **Passed.**

Sheri Herchkorn clarified that if passed this motion would be effective immediately.

The above **MOTION PASSED.**

**Item V. E: State Sub Committee Meetings** – Sheri Herchkorn

Sheri Herchkorn explained that no where in our By-Laws does it state CGA must have sub committee meetings (By-Laws, Rules and Judges, Riders Meeting). Sheri felt the sub committee meetings were not user friendly because often members are told “this is not the meeting.” Perhaps one meeting could/would satisfy all issues and prevent the frustration of knowing which issues belong in what meeting. Members would ‘know’ where to present their issues without question. If there was one meeting all issues could be hashed out only once. While Sheri had no specific motion she wanted to bring the idea to the Board.

Stan Janssen and several members applauded the idea. Several members felt having one meeting would be very user friendly to the membership and prevent confusion about where their issues and concerns should be voiced. Rebekah Crill believed having one meeting would lengthen already long meetings and create the need to streamline and limit the time to discuss each item. Charlea Moore argued that the membership must consider these subcommittee meetings important as evidence of voting to bring them back to Convention. In addition, Charlea felt it was important to have the Rules and Judges Meeting because only Judges can vote at this meeting to pass items along that the Judges feel are worthy. Charlea believed the subcommittee meetings are important to give members a chance to get items passed to the General Meeting for vote by the general membership. Sally Rivera-Lingafeldt pointed out that the new thirty (30) day notice for agenda items gives members notice of items and they should be at these meetings or one meeting if the items truly matter.

**Item V. F: Procedure Manual Proposal** – Stan Janssen

Stan Janssen explained the Procedure Manual was provided prior to the start of the meeting. Stan hoped all voting members had read through the Procedure and realized there would likely be more changes in the future (clarifications). The BoG was only asking to approve the document as presented with the noted changes. *For the full document with changes please see the attached Procedure Manual.*

**MOTION** by Stan Janssen to approve the Procedure Manual as presented. **Seconded** by Phyllis Odom. **Discussion Followed.**

Charlea Moore spoke against Procedure 5 Ruling Body, Section 3 Election Process. Charlea felt riders should not have to register to vote with the State Office, riders should have the inherent right to vote just by being members of the organization. Phyllis Odom rationalized the addition to the Procedure, explaining voter registration had been added because there are members who CGA does not know their age and are currently treated as adults in regards to voting, thus leading to the possibility of under aged voters. By members registering to vote it would save CGA the expense of un-used ballots and postage. Those members who truly care to register and vote would act accordingly. A brief discussion continued about whether or not members should have to register to vote or not. Stan Janssen concluded he wanted to stick with the document as presented. Lea deMontigny was concerned about the Procedures intentionally left empty and felt the document should not be passed until fully completed. She firmly believed the Board should not be passing such a controversial document. Stan Janssen suggested approving the document with the exception of the Election Process clause (omit this clause). Stacy Rivera questioned if the proposed document was only an approval of what was already in place or if there were changes. Stan Janssen clarified the document was a mix of both and the changes had been highlighted in bold text.

Sue Engelhardt **MOVED** for a fifteen (15) minute recess at 12:15 pm.  
**Seconded** by Phyllis Odom. **Passed.**

The meeting was called back to order at 12:40 pm.

Following re-adjournment Stan Janssen explained he wanted the Board and voting delegates to vote on the document as presented (with no amendments).

**Call for the question** by Stan Janssen and **Seconded** by Janet Young. **Passed.**

Above **MOTION PASSED** (22/8).

**Item V. G: Policy Manual Proposal** – Stan Janssen

Stan Janssen explained the need for the Policy Manual to be approved with changes. The changes presented are those items that were passed as Policy in the past, but never included or placed in the document. Those items that did not have a fitting place were listed in the back of the document under Section 9.

**MOTION** by Stan Janssen to accept the Policy Manual as presented. **Seconded** by Sue Engelhardt. **No Discussion Followed.**

**MOTION PASSED.**

**Item V. H: Policy Manual Changes**– Sheri Herchkorn

Sheri Herchkorn explained this item had already been addressed above with the approval of the Policy Manual.

**Item V. I: 2007-2008 Queen Liaison** – Skip Hofman

President Skip Hofman announced that the 2007-2008 Queen Liaison would be Dana Herchkorn.

**VI. Agenda Items – District Reports**

The following district representatives each stood before the group and gave brief reports: 1, 4, 5, 6, 10, 14, 18, 19, 23, 32, 33, 35 and 50. Districts reported about upcoming series shows, new arenas, better equipment and awards. Most districts reported the 2006-2007 show season had been extremely successful for their clubs!

**VII. Agenda Items – Other Issues, Comments & Concerns**

- 1. Equipment at Bolado Park:** Chirstopher Rowles asked who would be held responsible if the upgraded equipment at Bolado Park was damaged. The answer: the park itself would be held accountable.
- 2. Southern Fires:** Robert Krogh and Sue Engelhardt wanted to acknowledge those CGA members who had helped during the recent Southern fires. CGA members really stepped up and helped their local communities with the horse endangered by the fires (moving horses, housing horses, fundraisers).
- 3. Safety Issue:** One member stated they had horses outside the gate that were out of control (rearing) and endangering others. This member questioned when it was appropriate to ask the rider to leave. Sheri Herchkorn responded this was a safety issue and a judge's call.

**VIII. Agenda Items – Next Meeting Date**

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held in Visalia on February 23, 2008 from 9am - 4pm.

**IX. Agenda Items – Adjournment**

*MOTION* to adjourn the meeting was made by Dianna Merrick and *Seconded* by Joanne Galbraith. *MOTION CARRIES*.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Abatti  
CGA Secretary