

## **TCYB Annual Meeting & Board Elections**

August 25, 2016

7pm- Travis Ware, Interim President, called to order.

Additional Board Members Present:

Kecha Ray, Interim Secretary.

Katrina Ware, Player Agent.

James Ray, VP of Shetland.

Members present: Josh Haygood, Preston Simmons, Lisa Hougesen, Alicia Soileau, Jason Sullivan, Chad Harris, Teri Rodriguez, Eric Earnheart, Daniel Soileau, Tommy Hougeson, Joshua Vassar.

Quorum (5) met.

Travis Ware gave an update from the Golden Triangle Pony meeting held 8/24. Notable upcoming changes: Golden Triangle Pony tournaments schedule will be set and not changed once the season starts. Possible age change to follow more of a school-year age bracket. This will be finalized in December at the Pony rules meeting. TCYB fields will possibly be used for all regional All-Star tournaments due to central location of fields, but not directors' or sectional tournaments. Travis Ware and other members expressed concern with TCYB not having the opportunity to host the larger in season tournaments and the issues with more time/less income generated at the All-star tournaments.

Board Elections:

Travis Ware informed members bylaw amendments must be made in order to add Softball, therefore all individuals interested in softball will be noted for future softball elections once bylaws are in place.

Kecha Ray informed the members of issue with current bylaw "Article 2, Section 3: You must have served at least two (2) years on the Board of Directors to be eligible for election to an Executive Board Position." There are only 2 returning Board members with 2 years of service, Travis and Katrina Ware. Those members interested in positions and nominated through nominations procedure do not have the stated 2 year of experience. Without an exception or bylaw amendment, no Executive Board positions could be filled. These are President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Player Agent, and Concession Stand Manager.

Preston Simmons, member, made a motion to allow a special exception to allow members in good standing even without 2 years of previous board experience to be elected to board positions for 2017 season. Jimmy Ray, seconded. All members present voted in favor.

Member vote was taken via written ballot for open positions. Results of ballots were counted by Kecha Ray and Katrina Ware and announced by Travis Ware. Results were:

Executive- 2 year Terms:

Vice President: Jimmy Ray  
Player Agent: Katrina Ware  
Concessions Manager: Teri Rodriguez  
Equipment Manager: Josh Vassar

1 year Board of Directors Terms:

Chief Umpire: Arthur Richey  
Instructional VP- Jeremy Vanya  
Shetland VP- Brandon Richey  
Pinto VP- Gene Cooley  
Mustang VP- Chad Harris

Executive- 1 Year Interim Terms:

President: Travis Ware, Secretary: Kecha Ray, Treasurer: Eric Earnheart.  
Open Positions for which no nominations were taken, and therefore are up for appointment by the board per Article 2, Section 4 are: Facilities Manager, Sponsor/Fundraiser, Bronco VP, Pony VP.

Josh Haygood who was originally nominated and ran for VP of Pinto expressed interest in Facilities Manager. Travis Ware made a motion and Jimmy Ray seconded to appoint Josh Haygood to Facilities Manager. Audible vote was held and all members were in favor.

Concerns brought up by members to be addressed in bylaws:

- Adding Softball to bylaws
- Morality Code or Code of Conduct for all coaches
- Conflict of Interest Clause
- Background checks required and actually done on all volunteers
- Need to add to bylaws- a 3 party signature to checks for accountability with the bank.

Concerns brought up for vote: Katrina Ware motioned and Terri Rodriguez seconded: Treasurer to research and find alternative financial institution at which more financial accountability will be possible.

Concerns tabled: Management of Concession Stand

Announcements:

August 30<sup>th</sup> at 7pm & September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30– bylaws workshops to review and discuss bylaws, brainstorm possible amendments, etc.

September 20<sup>th</sup>, 7pm- Regular Board Meeting- the goal will be to have bylaws ready for amendments.

Possible Regular Board Meetings the first Tuesday of every month.

Motion to adjourn made by Alicia Solieu and agreed by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:37.