

Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Time: 7:30pm
Frequency: Monthly, 3rd Tuesday preferably

| Topic | Minutes | | | | | | |
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| Call to Order | 7:35pm ET, Quarom Met | | | | | | |
| Roll Call | | | | | | | |
| | Title and | Name | Present | Absent | Arrival Time | Exit Time | Notes |
| President | | Samantha VanSickle | Х | | 7:30pm | 10:12pm | |
| Vice President | | Samantha Crook | Х | | 7:36pm | 9:12pm | 1 |
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| | asurer | Denise Krause | | Х | N/A | N/A | |
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| | ee Member | Katie Dolan | Х | | 7:30pm | 10:12pm | |
| Secretary | (Officer Only) | Heather Ercolano | Χ | | 7:30pm | 10:12pm | |
| Approval of Prior MINUTES | | | | | ACC/REJ | Motion by | Second By |
| 12/17/2024 | BOD Meeting | Meeting minutes accep | ted. | | ACC | S. Crook | S. VanSickle |
| 12/30/2024 | Meeting | Meeting minutes not ac error correction. | Meeting minutes not accepted, sent back for error correction. | | | | |
| Committee | Reports | | | | | | |
| Fi | nance | | End Financial Statements prepared by Barb Snyder. nancial statements as presented. Unanimous approval. | | | | |
| Public | Relations | No report | | | | | |
| S | hows | No report | | | | | |
| Reg | December 2024: Transfers 115, Registrations* 77, New Members 17 *DNA processing stopped 12/17/24 U of K lab closed from 12/20/24-1/01/25 for annual cleaning | | | | | | |
| 2025 Completed Evaluation(s): Jacksonville, FL January 16, 2025, 8 tests 2025 Scheduled Evaluation(s): Red Deer, Alberta, Canada August 9-10, 2025 Evaluations Two Evaluation requests for 2025 submitted; May 7, 2025 Shelbyville TN, October 12, 2025 Chickasha OK, Unanimous agreement to offer at these events, Angela Wiggs to notify requestors | | | 2025 , October | | | | |
| License | censed Officials No report | | | | | | |
| Grievance No report | | | | | | | |



| Youth | No report | |
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| Samantha Crook estimates 2 months needed to thoroughly investigate Bylaws and comparison to Texas non-profit code. Samantha VanSickl separate Bylaw update meetings. | | |
| Nominations Reviewed BOD candidate qualifications document, will be posted on GVHS Members Only page | | |
| Marketing and Publications | No report | |
| AW and Unsportmanlike Conduct | No report | |
| Region Reps | No report | |
| Message From the Preside | nt | |
| | N/A | |
| Recognition | | |
| | N/A | |
| Old Business: | | |
| Decision w/o Meeting 1/6/25 | GVHS Travel Policy and reimbursement requirements accepted. New documents to be tested for Jacksonville FL Evaluations. | |
| Decision w/o Meeting 1/8/25 | Affiliation Agreement accepted as written. Emailed to Mexico and Colombia 1/9/25. | |
| Decision w/o Meeting 1/15/25 | Under Article 4, Section 7 of the GVHS Bylaws: Misha Duvernoy appointed to director seat left vacant with Gale Rempel's resignation. Unanimous approval to place Misha Duvernoy into the vacant seat. | |
| Decision w/o Meeting 1/18/25 | Under Article 5, Section 1 of the GVHS Bylaws: Heather Ercolano appointed as GVHS Secretary by BOD after being vetted by the Nominations Committee to replace interim secretary, Angela Wiggs | |
| Region Representative | Angela Wiggs reports all Region Representatives have responded to initial email. Survey sent to all representatives to be returned by 1/31/25 | |
| Google Workspace | Misha Duvernoy presented pricing for plan and use for BOD and committee collaboration, meetings, tasks, etc.General consensue supports further investigation to determine best plan for the Organization. Continue into February/March meetings. | |
| GVHS Swag Purchase | Pricing, quantities and photos will be sent by Angela Wiggs via email. | |



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| GVHS AGM & Judge's Seminar | Angela Wiggs states menu is in progress. All awards ordered for presentation. Slideshow and certificates will be completed for the seminar without photos as decided previously No booklet will be created Christine Forsyth will announce awards. Samantha Crook will be designing and providing table decorations Misha Duvernoy agreed to make event agenda for AGM. Judge's Seminar making their own agenda. Samantha VanSickle working on AGM Presentation |
| New Business: | |
| Versatility Medal of Honor Recognition | Angela Wiggs requested to table for March meeting. Discussion to recognize a member at the AGM due to specific achievments in the breed. BOD was unanimous in supporting the regonition. |
| Zoom Meeting Upgrade | Samantha VanSickle tabled for March meeting to allow for comparison of cost between Zoom platform and Google Meet in light of the potential move to the Google Platform. |
| New Committee Formation | Samantha VanSickle proposed the creation of the following committees: Education Committee , Awards Committee, AGM/Event Committee BOD was unanimous in supporting the proposed committees |
| Bank Account signatories | Suggestion by Kate Walls. Continue discussion at February meeting. |
| Electronic Communication | Christine Forsyth to address current social media concerns. BOD will utilize document mentioned above in Nomination Committee Report out to help provide education of election/nomination process Discussion included reinforcing member specific information should be channeled directly to members, via interal organization commmulations, e.g. cosntant contact, members only section of GVHS website, or Vanner Banner. Heather Ercolano suggested using links on social media to point members/interested parties back to www.vanners.org website for information. Samantha VanSickle creating a timeline of events for year to date |
| Action Item Review : | |
| N/A | |
| Next BOD Meeting: | |
| 2/11/2025, earlier in month o | due to AGM |
| Adjourn: | 140.40 57 |
| End of Meeting | 10:12 pm ET |



Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Time: 7:30pm

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| Call to Order | 7:44pm ET, Quorum Met | | | | | | |
| Roll Call | | | | | | | |
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| President | | Samantha VanSickle | Х | | 7:30pm | 10:07pm | |
| Vice F | President | Samantha Crook | Х | | 7:30pm | 9:02pm exit 9:32pm return 9:49pm exit | |
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| Registrar | | Denise Krause | | Χ | N/A | N/A | |
| Committee Member | | Julie Usoff | Х | | 6:30pm | 7:43pm | |
| Secretary (Officer Only) | | Heather Ercolano | Х | | 7:30pm | 10:07pm | |
| *Special Tonic prior to BOD Meeting* | | | | | | | |

Special Topic prior to BOD Meeting

BOD discussed potential cadidate for GVHS Show Coordinator with candidate's professional reference Julie Usoff, Discussion held 7:30pm-7:43pm

| Approval of | Approval of Prior MINUTES | | | Motion by | Second By | |
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| 12/30/2024 | Annual BOD Meeting | Sending to Gail R. as courtesy to review, BOD members present were all in favor of accepting the meeting minutes as presented | ACC | S. VanSickle | K. Walls | |
| 1/28/2025 | January BOD | Meeting minutes were accepted as presented; Discussion held to document date in which Committee report was received | ACC | S. VanSickle | M. Duvernoy | |
| Committee F | Committee Reports | | | | | |



| Finance | Financials previously submitted by Barb Snyder provided directly to the BOD via email 2/09/25, consensus to accept financial statements as presented. Unanimous approval. |
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| Public Relations | No Report |
| Shows | Number of GVHS Registered Horses FHC 21 |
| Registration | Registrations 105. Transfers 113. New Members 26 |
| Evaluations | No Report |
| Licensed Officials | No Report |
| Grievance | No Report |
| Youth | No Report |
| Rules and Bylaws | No Report |
| Nominations | No Report |
| Marketing and Publications | No Report |
| AW and Unsportsmanlike Conduct | No Report |
| Region Reps | Survey Update by Misha Duvernoy, provided directly to the BOD via email 2/11/25 |

Message From the President

Thank you to our new BOD members and all BOD members for their willingness to give their time and talents to support the organization. We need to remember that as we start out we will need to "go slow to go fast". There is a lot of work to do and great enthusiasm, however sometimes we must slow down to get it right in the long run.

Recognition

- *Mindy Davis giving Recognize to Misha Duvernoy for being extremely welcoming to a new BOD
- *Samantha VanSickle giving recognition to Misha Duvernoy on the schedule for AGM
- *Samantha VanSickle giving recognition to Levi Himmelrick and Mindy Davis for their willingness to jump right in as soon as they are elected, the enthusiasm is greatly appreciated.
- *Misha Duvernoy giving recognition Heather Ercolano for her work on new format of meeting minutes

| Old Business: | | | | | |
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| GVHS Show Program Coordinator | GVHS Show Program Coordinator candidate information sent directly to the BOD prior to the meeting in addition to conflict-of-interest document to assess potential candidates or any concerns. ACTION: Samantha VanSickle requesting current BOD to review the job description, provided directly to the BOD via email 2/11/25 and will determine if current candidate was provided job description by past BOD and is willing to accept. Samantha Crook motion to add GVHS Show Program Coordinator to the Organization, Second by Levi Himmelrick. All in favor, none opposed. | | | | |
| AGM Update and final points | Mindy Davis to provide photo backdrop Slide show in progress, awards are in progress, stuff bags on site Reviewed agenda created by Misha Duvernoy | | | | |



| Bank signatories | Kate Walls reviewed with Denise Krause account in question and potential need for new signatory, determined this was not needed. No further action. Current Signors are Barb Snyder (ending 2025) and Denise Krause. ACTION: Need to determine signatory in replacement of Barb Snyder, add to future BOD meeting. |
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| New Business: | |
| Guidelines for Membership Participation in Quarterly Open Forums | Guideline document created, ACTION : Samantha VanSickle will circulate to BOD via email on 2/12/25 for approval and will be a topic presented at AGM upon approval |
| Region Representative Structure | Ensure Region Reps are directing members to GVHS website and responses are aligned to organization and not personal preferences. Proposal for program provided directly to the BOD via email on 2/07/25, will present at AGM Mindy Davis actively working on presentation Discussion regarding involving BOD members on the social media pages in respective regions |
| Committee Membership Report | Christine Forsyth provided directly to the BOD via email 2/11/25 a report of committees and current members, ACTION : Samantha VanSickle will contact via mail week ending 2/14/25 to renew membership prior to February month end, after notification the BOD will review Committees and evaluate head count for each one and what are the next steps in March BOD meeting |
| Outside Breed Association Support Request | Kate Walls asked BOD to confirm no conflict of interest in assisting another Non Gypsy Vanner breed association. BOD determined there was no conflict of interest with the information presented, as the association discussed does not register Gypsy Vanner horses. |
| Laptop | ACTION: Angela Wiggs to investigate purchasing a laptop for GVHS, will send pricing to BOD via email week ending 2/14/25 |
| Email Communication | Samantha VanSickle, requested that moving forward please utilize standard subject lines on emails that include timeline of when action is required. Ex: GVHS ACTION REQUIRED Review and Respond within 24 Hours |
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Angela Wiggs to investigate purchasing a lap top for GVHS, will send pricing to BOD via email week ending 2/14/25

Samantha Vansickle requesting current BOD to review the job description, provided directly to the BOD via email 2/11/25 and

Samantha VanSickle will determine if current candidate was provided job description by past BOD and is willing to accept

Next BOD Meeting:

3/18/2025, tentatively target general members session at this meeting/30 minutes prior to this meeting, will determine after AGM

Adjourn:



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| Approval of F | Prior MINUTES | | | | ACC/REJ | Motion by | Second By |
| • • | Prior MINUTES 2/22/2025 | AGM Minutes | | | ACC/REJ ACC | Motion by M. Duvernoy | Second By M. Davis |
| AGM 2 | | AGM Minutes Feb BOD Minutes | | | | | |
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| Message From the President | | | | |
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| Region Reps | No update provided as of 3/18/25 | | | |
| AW and Unsportmanlike Conduct | The committee is asking for approval of adaptive equipment form and controlled substance list previously submitted, BOD says HIPPA and ADA rules, no concerns. Need updated form for Adaptive Equipment requested from committee chair on 3/15/25. ACTION: S. Crook Motion to move Drug Testing program review to April BOD, S. VanSickle Second , motion Passes | | | |
| Marketing and Publications | No update provided as of 3/18/25 | | | |

As we work toward streamlining our processes and aligning our operations, our goal is to establish clear Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to ensure the organization can run efficiently. Every role should be well-defined and easily transferable to maintain continuity if a position is vacated. By clarifying roles and responsibilities, we can better utilize our individual and collective talents. This year, our focus will be on strengthening our foundation, and ensuring alignment, rather than pursuing largescale initiatives.

Recognition

- M. Davis recognizing A. Wiggs for AGM and all of the work put into it and extra time and effort
- M. Duvernoy thankful for all of those who helped support the AGM in all aspects to make the event successful

| L. Himmelrick recognize H. Ercolano for her Secretary duties | | | | | |
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| Old Business: | | | | | |
| Annual General Meeting | Review the following items: Overall Cost provided in Financial Statement will updated in April with final numbers, Number of Attendees 73; 23 judges, 3 of which were New Judges, 40 General Members, and 10 Non Members, 25 people booked 26 nights, 8 people booked 29 nights, status of awards, Survey sent review in April along with Budget for 2026. | | | | |
| New Committees (Education, Events and Awards) | Scope of Work update for new committees, website to updated and communicated to general members that we need volunteers. Awards Committee: M. Davis Motion to Approve scope, M. Duvernoy Second , motion Passes . Events Committee Scope: L. Himmelrick Motion to Approve scope, S. Crook Second , motion Passes . Education scope sent via email in February. ACTION : need website updated with new Committees (Education, Events and Awards) | | | | |
| Software contracts | Review of all software contracts was sent to BOD for review prior to meeting, discuss path forward for software, including addition of Google Workspace, S. VanSickle Motions to utilize for 1 year and to determine usability, M. Davis Second, motion Passes Microsoft Teams continue to use for inner workings Website management still waiting on another, must had three Sugar Sync, ACTION: need to create dashboard for President no additional cost Canva tabled until Publications position filled Constant Contact do we know how many contacts we have and if cost is worth use, 2793 emails in database, ACTION: M. Davis requested a review of contact list and revalidate in May. | | | | |
| Legal Support | Three options provided to GVHS President and Executive Administrator to obtain rates and determine best options. Update, 1 retired, 1 did not respond, 1 responded. Did not receive prior legal support info, ACTION: S. VanSickle will obtain info from prior executive admin. Angela to investigate the name in sugar sync. | | | | |
| Bank Signatory | Need to determine which role that within the organization will take additional signatory over when previous admin is vacated, M. Davis Motion include President as the 2nd signatory, L. Himmelrick Second , motion Passes , S. VanSickle abstained. | | | | |



| Regional Representative Program | SOP to be discussed, ACTION: would like to add an Ambassador portion to SOP, M. Duvernoy to add requested updates, will circulate for approval before week ending 3/21/25. S. Crook Motion for BOD to deny regional representative positions due to member not signing code of ethics, K. Walls Second , motion Passes . BOD Members did discuss potential conflict of interest of currect regional reps on BOD voting and was deemed not to be a conflict, therefore all BOD members voted. M. Davis to communicate with affected parties. |
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| Sympathy Card | S. VanSickle working on graphics, eta 3/31/25 |
| GVHS Incident Report | S. VanSickle working on graphics, eta 3/31/25 |
| Flow Of Communications SOP | Approved outside of a meeting via email from Secretary Heather Ercolano on March 11, 2025 |
| General Members Attending Quarterly BOD Meetings Program | Approved outside of a meeting via email from Secretary Heather Ercolano on March 11, 2025 |
| GVHS Show Coordinator | Approved outside of a meeting via email from Secretary Heather Ercolano on March 11, 2025 |
| New Member Packet | Need to add new Presidents message as well as quick guide to find member login page, President to provide message and Angela will communicate with Denise. Angela to send electronically to all current members. |
| New Business: | |
| Vanner Magazine | Received two quotes for potential Publisher/Editor, decision pending third quote. Updated Vanner website to be able to use link for photos L. Himmelrick and H. Ercolano to lead gathering photos, ACTION: A. Wiggs to create new html flip account, and previous Publisher will upload the past electronic copies of the Vanner magazine. |
| Rulebook inquiries from AGM/Judges Training | Five items were documented, listed in action register, sent to BOD prior to meeting and reviewed with LOC Committee 3/11/25, updates to be sent to BOD for approval 3/28/25. |
| Budget for regional education | This is to include breed demos and promotional items, pamphlets, post cards, etc. Need to create multiple different pamphlets for different types of events, ACTION : rates to be gathered by S. VanSickle and BOD will determine budget in April BOD, need accounting of all banners. |
| International Affiliate document | Need to review/discuss update, status on Mexico and Columbia. Mexico would like 2 evaluations, dates are being discussed and pending confirmation, need to determine how cost and billing are managed, ACTION : need to setup conference call with Columbia representative. |
| GHSA Congress | Request to have 3 judges, L. Himmelrick motion to limit Congress to 2 judges due to low attendance prior year, M. Davis second, motion passes. If a third judge is utilized, then prior to show it must be designated which two judges will be utilized for GVHS show points program. ACTION: A. Wiggs to communicate decisions to show management. |
| Additional Meetings | Discuss adding second BOD meeting a month to push actions items forward, would need to be timely and actionable. BOD Action Item Review Meeting, April 7th, 7:30pm est. |
| Former Member Inquiry | BOD to discuss inquiry sent to the organization, Former member is allowed to be a member, Organization has not restricted the ability to have a membership. Former Judge would need to attend a judges training, and next training is 2026 and follow all steps to recertify. Discussion held to address retro application of prefixes to horses names. Documentation to be reviewed and timeline to validate timing. Legal consultation should be utilized in any grey areas. DNA for registration needs to be reviewed, proposed in June of 2025. |
| Action Item Review: | |



ACTION: Need to add ledger items for income / expense, International- Mexico and International- Columbia

ACTION: Bring LOC recommendations to next meeting April 7, 2024

ACTION: Move Drug Testing program review to April BOD

ACTION: Need website updated with new Committees (Education, Events and Awards)

ACTION: Sugar Sync, need to create dashboard for President no additional cost

ACTION: M. Davis requested a review of constant contact list and revalidate in May

ACTION: S. VanSickle will obtain info from prior executive admin. Angela to investigate the name in sugar sync.

ACTION: Would like to add an Ambassador portion to SOP, M. Duvernoy to add requested updates, will circulate for approval

before week ending 3/21/25.

ACTION: A. Wiggs to create new html flip account, and previous Publisher will upload the past electronic copies of the Vanner magazine.

ACTION: Rates to be gathered by S. VanSickle and BOD will determine budget in April BOD, need accounting of all banners

ACTION: Need to setup conference call with Columbia representative.

ACTION: A. Wiggs to communicate decisions to show management.

Next BOD Meeting:



Tuesday, April 15, 2025 7:30pm EST Date:

Time: Frequency: . Monthly

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| Topic | Minutes | | | | | |
| Call to Order | 7:34pm EST, Quarom Met | | | | | |
| Roll Call | | | | | | |
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| President | Samantha VanSickle | Χ | | 7:34pm | 9:49pm | |
| Vice President | Samantha Crook | | Χ | | | |
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| Director | Christine Forsyth | Х | | 7:34pm | 9:49pm | |
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| Executive Admin | Angela Wiggs | | | 7:34pm | 9:49pm | |
| Treasurer | Denise Krause | | Χ | | | |
| Registrar | Denise Krause | | Χ | | | |
| Secretary (Officer On | | | | 7:34pm | 9:49pm | |
| Approval of Prior MINI | UTES | | | ACC/REJ | Motion by | Second by |
| 4/7/2025 | April Action Review Me | eting | | ACC | Mindy | Levi |
| 3/18/2025 Committee Reports | March BOD | | | ACC | Levi | Mindy |
| Finance | Financial statements sent directly to BOD prior to meeting, S. VanSickle request that our May additional meeting is to include budget, finance status/management, framework will be laid of requirements ahead of time | | | | | |
| Public Relations | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | | |
| | No update provided as of 4/13/25, members getting updated will start meeting next month | | | | | |
| Registration | Reg Completed 111, Trans | Reg Completed 111, Transfers 136, New Members 39, Renewed Members 74 | | | | |
| | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | | |
| Grievance | No update provided as of | 1/13/25 | | | | |
| Youth | No update provided as of | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | |
| Rules and Bylaws | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | | |
| Nominations | Need to look at members of the committee and update, each BOD to bring one name to the May meeting of who we would recommend | | | | | |
| Marketing and Publications | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | | |
| AW and Unsportmanlike Conduct | electronically. Drug testing program update, ACTION: H. Ercolano to update format and send | | | | | |
| Region Reps | No update provided as of 4/13/25 | | | | | |



| Request, Red Bluff to add Evaluations, M. Davis Motion to add Red Bluff Evaluations, second by M. Duvernoy, Discussion would like a proposed budget prior for all Evaluations prior to approving the motion. ACTION: Request to gather 2024 expenditures and bring back to the table and then vote. Motion does not pass. Shelbyville only 13 tests registered, BOD members to reach out to known attendees and push sign ups. Evaluations Evaluations Cancellations, not able to get another evaluator for Chickasha, OK. In jeopardy of cancelling. ACTION: A. Wiggs to reach out to an alternative evaluator. Columbian update, Some scores do not meet minimum number to be registered, some horses are already registered and just going to add evaluation info to horses current stud book information. Score sheets utilized in evaluations were provided by Columbian affiliate. Accepting scores as calculated by Duane Stutzman. S. VanSickle Motion to standardize requirement for a minimum to be 20 tests per evaluation, must have confirmed and paid 30 days prior to the event and to update form to include who is financially responsible for facility costs, Second by Levi, motion passes. | | Discuss Vanner Banner, BOD would like committee to send out a monthly educational message, would not replace the Vanner Banner. Messaging will be approved in draft form by the BOD before being sent out, will be sent out by Executive Administrator. S. VanSickle request that H. Ercolano to help support Education committee |
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| | Evaluations | second by M. Duvernoy, Discussion would like a proposed budget prior for all Evaluations prior to approving the motion. ACTION: Request to gather 2024 expenditures and bring back to the table and then vote. Motion does not pass. Shelbyville only 13 tests registered, BOD members to reach out to known attendees and push sign ups. Cancellations, not able to get another evaluator for Chickasha, OK. In jeopardy of cancelling. ACTION: A. Wiggs to reach out to an alternative evaluator. Columbian update, Some scores do not meet minimum number to be registered, some horses are already registered and just going to add evaluation info to horses current stud book information. Score sheets utilized in evaluations were provided by Columbian affiliate. Accepting scores as calculated by Duane Stutzman. S. VanSickle Motion to standardize requirement for a minimum to be 20 tests per evaluation, must have confirmed and paid 30 days prior to the event and to update form to include who is |

Message From the President

Thank you all for being here

Recognition

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| Sam V recoginizing Min | ndy for stepping up and helping with committeess |
| Old Business: | |
| | Special planning meeting in June for AGM, will review results in detail there, will include events committee, budget review move to May |
| | Updated on website, Education still pending signed code of ethics for some on Education and Planning Committee as of 4/14/25 |
| Need to add ledger items for income / expense, International- Mexico and International- Colombia | |
| | Still pending item one in recommendations, "judge who previously held a card should shadow one show". After investigation it was determined the judge in question never had a lapse in required training for judges, only membership was not maintained and will not be required to shadow prior to judging. |



| • | This is to include breed demos and promotional items, pamphlets, post cards, etc. Need to create multiple different pamphlets for different types of events, ACTION : rates to be gathered by S. VanSickle and BOD will determine budget in April BOD, need accounting of all banners. Move to May finance meeting, S. VanSickle Motion to approve and post scavenger hunt materials created by M. Duvernoy, Second C. Forsyth, motion passes | | | |
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| from AGM/Judges | Five items were documented, listed in action register, sent to BOD prior to meeting and reviewed with LOC Committee 3/11/25, ACTION : LOC to update rulebook and present to BOD for May meeting | | | |
| Vanner Magazine | Signed proposal and returned to Cheri, and notified other applicants they were not chosen, ACTION: S. VanSickle sending signed proposal to A. Wiggs for document storage | | | |
| Show Incident | No update | | | |
| | ACTION: Reach out to approved show coordinator candidate and let them know that after May financial planning meeting we will reach out to her again for commitment | | | |
| Awards | Total costs for plaques, \$812.27, 29 total plaques, Sam V to login and look at awards. | | | |
| New Business: | | | | |
| Member Inquiry 4/14 /25 | S. VanSickle and H. Ercolano to follow up with member and then bring back summary to BOD, | | | |
| | Needs discussion, table until May. Shows have reached out asking for awards to be provided for gypsy vanners in attendance, need to determined criteria for providing these, Awards committee to work on program starting in May | | | |
| MYHM Testing | Not an option with U of K currently, can add for \$45. S. VanSickle Motion to add this option for testing, Second by Misha, motion passes | | | |
| Guest Judge | Tyler Rose August show requesting guest judge, ACTION: LOC to propose guest procedure and we vote in May, Angela to communicate | | | |
| Action Item Review: | | | | |
| ACT A | CTION: H. Ercolano to refomat adaptive form and send out for approval electronically. TION: H. Ercolano to update procedure format and send out for approval electronically. CTION: Request to gather Evluatuion 2024 expendatures and bring back to the table ACTION: A. Wiggs to reach out to an alternative evaluator. S. VanSickle sending signed Vanner magazine proposal to A. Wiggs for document storage ACTION: LOC to update rulebook and present to BOD for May meeting | | | |
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| ACTION: LOC to propose guest procedure and we vote in May, Angela to communicate Next BOD Meeting: | | | | |
| May 6th Financial and I | May 20th and BOD | | | |
| Adjourn: | | | | |
| End of Meeting: | Motion to adjourn by Levi, second Chrisine | | | |
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Tuesday, May 20, 2025 7:30pm EST Date:

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| Topic | Minutes | nutes | | | | |
| 7:33pm, Quorum met | | | | | | |
| Roll Call | | | | | | |
| Title a | nd Name | Present | Absent | Arrival Time | Exit Time | Notes |
| President | Samantha VanSickle | Χ | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | |
| Vice President | Samantha Crook | Х | | 7:30pm | 10:26pm | L. Himmelrick in and out |
| Director | Kate Walls | X | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | due to tornado |
| Director | Christine Forsyth | X | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | warnings, out 8:52pm, |
| Director | Misha Duvernoy | X | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | returned and left for |
| Director | Levi Himmelrick | Х | | 7:30pm | 9:56pm* | evening at 9:56pm |
| Director | Mindy Davis | Χ | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | |
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| Executive Admin | Angela Wiggs | Χ | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | |
| Treasurer | Denise Krause | | Х | | | |
| Registrar | Denise Krause | | Х | | | |
| Secretary (Officer Only | | Χ | | 7:30pm | 10:43pm | |
| Approval of Prior MINUTE | | • • • | | ACC/REJ ACC | Motion by | Second by |
| 5/6/2025 | | May Financial Review Meeting | | | Sam V | Levi H |
| 4/15/2025 | April BOD | | | ACC | Levi H | Sam V |
| Committee Reports | | | | | | |
| Finance | Financial statements | s sent directly | to BOD pri | or to mee | ting | |
| Public Relations | No update provided | as of 5/20/25 | | | | |
| Shows | Classic 2024- 20 ho March 21-23, GA Gy April 5-6, Texas FHO April 11-13, FL Gyps April 18-20, Magnoli April 24-27, NV Gyp | March 27-30, The Carousel Charity Horse Show, 42 Horses, in place of Wine Country Classic 2024- 20 horses March 21-23, GA Gypsy Vanner Spring Classic, 30 Horses, New in 2025 April 5-6, Texas FHC, 33 horses, 2024-57 horses April 11-13, FL Gypsy Vanner Spring Blast, 13 horses, 2024-46 horses April 18-20, Magnolia Spring Classic, 12 horses, New in 2025 April 24-27, NV Gypsy Fest, 36 horses, in 2024 had 39 horses April 25-27, VA Gypsy Vanner Spring Breakout, 28 horses, May 2024 had 55 horses | | | | |
| Registration | Registrations 117 Transfers 135 New Members 27 Renewed Members | Transfers 135 | | | | |
| Evaluations | 9 horses Evaluated in | 9 horses Evaluated in Shelbyville TN | | | | |
| Licensed Officials | Licensed Officials No update provided as of 5/20/25 | | | | | |
| Grievance No update provided as of | | as of 5/20/25 | | | | |
| Youth No update provided a | | as of 5/20/25 | | | | |



| Rules and Bylaws | S. Crook to provide an update, there are current concerns by S. Crook where bylaws are not being abided by such as Art. III, Purpose of the society. Reviewing discussion from June of 2024 to discuss what the BOD would like to update or have the Committee work on. ACTION: S. Crook to work on summary to send to members to provide information about the September 30th cut off for Bylaw proposed updates for 2026 AGM. |
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| Nominations | L. Himmelrick: Darcy Halliwill M. Davis: Kristen Littrell, Lisa Bobo, Cindy Evers S. VanSickle: Alycia Campidonica C. Forsyth: Alan Johnson M. Duvernoy: Livia Brine |
| Marketing and Publications | No update provided as of 5/20/25 |
| Avv and onsportmanike | No update provided as of 5/20/25 |
| Region Reps | No update provided as of 5/20/25 |
| Education and Planning | Need to discuss "Vanner Voice" and approval. ACTION : Identified seven updates required by the BOD and H. Ercolano will communicate to the Committee. Reviewed intent of the "Vanner Voice" staying focused on breed education, history and quality |
| Message From the President | |

No topics for tonight.

Recognition

L. Himmelrick Happy Birthday Samantha Crook

| Old Business: | |
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| 4/14 /25 | S. VanSickle and H. Ercolano to follow up with member and then bring back summary to BOD, S. VanSickle spoke with member to provide information and answer questions, there are no further concerns. |
| ETS Canadian Scholarship | Table until June |



| · | LOC was to provide update for May meeting with inquiries from AGM/Judges Seminar. S. VanSickle to provide red line version to BOD for review, reviewed each update on shared screen with BOD. Rulebook EDIT: Lope over distances not listed in Obstacle under saddle section only in Appendix, moved to main section of rulebook Rulebook EDIT: Freestyle riding is contradictory for attire, stated you must be correct for english or western but also allows for a costume, added clarity Rulebook EDIT: Dressage Suitability calls for "extended trot",Extend is an upper level movement similar to "rein back", changed to "Lengthen" to more closely align to training level terminology Rulebook EDIT: Review halter section on halters/bridles for Stallions age 2, rulebook stated ages 3 and up in a bridle and under 2 in a halter, updated to 2 and under |
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| LOC update for guest judge | LOC will provide update for June BOD |
| Show Coordinator | Still on hold pending Financial review and transition of duties amongst current staff |
| • | Need to determine signatory in replacement of B. Snyder, add to future BOD meeting. Motion by M. Davis to accept intent to resign from B. Snyder, Second by S. VanSickle. ACTION: A. Wiggs to get a list from B. Snyder of what she has that is related to GVHS and return to the Organization, includes digital and physical property. Take information from B. Snyder and connect with D. Krause and make sure she has what she needs to be successful. Need to document the responsibilities that will transfer to D. Krause. Need to determine if B. Snyder is willing to consult if needed, A. Wiggs to confirm. Motion passes |
| Evaluation Plaques | Order is in progress, to be completed by the end of the week. Bulk order two times per year, Mid Year and roughly 30 days after last Evaluation of the year. |
| Vanner Magazine | Sold \$5500 in Vanner Ads so far, ISBN number on the magazine is an option to go to retail to recoup some costs, consider an Amazon store. A. Wiggs asks if BOD would consider not publishing magazine in print due to large cost and low volume of ad sales, BOD unanimously supports the printing of the magazine. Previous advertisers were contacted, ACTION: BOD to each reach out to two businesses/farms/etc. each and bring them to the table. Discussion of pushing deadline and printing later if needed. ACTION: M Duvernoy will help validate list of photos required versus submissions, H. Ercolano to provide spreadsheets. |
| March Action Item Moved to May | M. Davis requested a review of constant contact list and revalidate in May, move to July |
| New Business: | |
| Committees | Status and Game Plan update, sent out COE's to all committee members, will require those to be sent in prior to meeting. Not 100% returned as of 5/20/25 and some still not current |
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| GVHS Funds for Shows | S. Crook requests to discuss removing the donation to show managers for the rest of the year, 3 clubs receive high points awards, WSGHC, Ohio Club, New England Club. ACTION: S. Crook to provide financial information related to the Articles of Incorporation to review and move topic to June BOD meeting. | | | |
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| | Need to schedule officer meeting to approve 2024 AGM expenses, email will be sent out to Officers to figure out meeting date. | | | |
| Action Item Review: | | | | |
| proposed updates for 2026 A ACTION: Vanner Voice, Ide ACTION: A. Wiggs to get a lidigital and physical property to be successful. Need to do consult if needed, A. Wiggs | ntified seven updates required by the BOD and H. Ercolano will communicate to the Committee. list from B. Snyder of what she has that is related to GVHS and return to the Organization,includes. Take information from B. Snyder and connect with D. Krause and make sure she has what she needs ocument the responsibilities that will transfer to D. Krause. Need to determine if B. Snyder is willing to | | | |
| Next BOD Meeting: | | | | |
| June 10th TUESDAY for Committee Chair Kick Off, June 16th MONDAY for Monthly BOD | | | | |
| Adjourn: | | | | |
| End of Meeting: | End of Meeting: 10:43pm, Motion by S. VanSickle and Second by M. Davis | | | |



Monday, June 16, 2025 7:30pm EST Date:

Time: Frequency: . Monthly

| Topic | Minutes | | | | | |
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| Call to Order | 7:33pm, Quorum met | | | | | |
| Roll Call | | | | | | |
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| President | Samantha VanSickle | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | |
| Vice President | Samantha Crook | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | |
| Director | Kate Walls | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | *M. Duvernoy in and out |
| Director | Christine Forsyth | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | at times due to poor |
| Director | Misha Duvernoy | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm* | connection |
| Director | Levi Himmelrick | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | |
| Director | Mindy Davis | Χ | | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | |
| Non Voting | Attendees | Present | Absent | Arrival Time | Exit Time | Notes |
| Executive Admin | Angela Wiggs | Χ | | | | |
| Treasurer | Denise Krause | | X | 7:31pm | 9:14pm |] |
| Registrar | Denise Krause | | Х | 7:31pm | 9:14pm | |
| Secretary (Officer Only) | Heather Ercolano | Χ | | | | |
| Approval of Prior MINUTES | | | | ACC/REJ | Motion by | Second by |
| 5/16/2025 | May BOD Meeting Minu | utes | | ACC | L. Himmelrick | M. Davis |
| Committee Reports | | | | | | |
| Finance | Financial statements | sent directly | to BOD pri | or to mee | ting, no disc | cussions |
| Public Relations | No Update as of 6/15 | 5/25 | | | | |
| Shows | Spring CA FHC 1 & 2 Cornerstone Spring C | Gypsy Vanner Celebration TN, 26 horses Spring CA FHC 1 & 2, 15 horses Cornerstone Spring Classic, 37 horses GHSA Region 1 Spring, 37 horses | | | | |
| Registration | Registrations 119 Transfers 143 Member Renewals 39 New Members 22 | | | | | |
| Evaluations | No Update as of 6/15 | 5/25 | | | | |
| Licensed Officials | No Update as of 6/15 | 5/25 | | | | |
| Grievance | No Update as of 6/15 | 5/25 | | | | |
| Youth | No Update as of 6/15 | 5/25 | | | | |



| Rules and Bylaws | S. Crook update: Item 1- Article 5 Paragraph 1 and Article 4 Paragraph 1, are conflicting on who can change the ByLaws, Members or BOD. ACTION: H. Ercolano to send document template to S. Crook to create information to be sent to members for AGM vote in 2026. Item 2- Article 6, committees are to be chosen by BOD, volunteers were vetted through the GVHS office, approved and placed onto requested Committees. Nobody was denied, only moved around or previos positions vacated if the member no longer wanted to be on the commitee. ACTION: A. Wiggs will send list of committee members to BOD for review |
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| Nominations | No Update as of 6/15/25 |
| Marketing and Publications Avv and Onsportmanike | M. Davis Update: Committee conducted first meeting to start brainstorming ideas, would like to gather quotes to create calendar No Update as of 6/15/25 |
| Region Reps | No Update as of 6/15/25 |
| Education and Planning | S. Crook provided minutes of last meeting via email on 6/16/25 |
| Awards | L. Himmelrick update: quick meeting to get started, discussed working on budget |
| Events | No Update as of 6/15/25 |
| Message From the President | |

Review of Social Media Policy, ensure as leaders of GVHS this is being followed and if any observations are seen on social media that they are addressed appropriately

Recognition

- L. Himmelrick to A. Wiggs, prompt shipment of plaques
- S. VanSickle to L. Himmelrick for sourcing plaques

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| Old Business: | |
| Articles of Incorporation conflict with show sponsorship | |
| Financial Update | Motion by M. Davis to provide B. Snyder a letter accepting resignation and termination effective July 15th, 2025, Second by L. Himmelrick, K. Walls opposed, motion passes. ACTION ITEM: A. Wiggs to draft letter and provide to S. VanSickle for approval prior to sending. ACTION ITEM: Develop document retention policy. |
| ByLaw Proposal update | S.Crook to work on summary to send to members to provide information about the September 30th cut off for ByLaw proposed updates for 2026 AGM. |
| LOC update for guest judge | LOC will provide update for June BOD, started with electronic approval, A. Wiggs to update status of approvals needed, Motion by S. Vansickle , to approve guest judge procedure. Second by L. Himmelrick , All in favor, Motion passes . |



| New Judge Policy | Need to approval, A. Wiggs to provide update, no update, will vote electronically before July BOD |
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| ETS Canadian Scholarship | Motion by M. Davis to deny due to 2025 budget, Second by S. VanSickle, all in favor, motion passes |
| Vanner Voice | Question regarding omission of Northern Ireland: Education Committee had originally stated: "The Gypsy Vanner Horse is a breed of horse that appeared in the mid-1990s that was created by selective breeding by a small group of Irish Travellers and Romani people of Great Britain and Ireland.". M. Duvernoy requesting if "the omission of Northern Ireland was intentional and clarified that the terms Great Britain and United Kingdom are not synonymous as Great Britain includes England, Scotland, and Wales, but not Northern Ireland." Clarification still needed. S. Crook stated the committee intends to use the term "British Isles" in the final version. ACTION: S. Crook to verify with Education Committee and provide response regarding Vanner Voice |
| Show Coordinator | Still on hold pending Financial review and transition of duties amongst current staff, review in July BOD |
| Awards for shows | Motion by M. Duvernoy that we do not provide any awards to individual shows in 2025, Second by S. Crook, all in favor, motion passes. |
| | ACTION: S. VanSickle to determine time and date for Officer meeting. Need to review use of the form for Expenses. |
| IMM/MYHM | Testing now available, but not on form yet for U of K, A. Wiggs will update GVHS form when appropriate |
| | Only evaluation HOF, One Stallion achieved this in 2025, ACTION: Hand off to Awards Committee to determine appropriate award, potential custom award like prior years. |
| PayPal Fees | Update to be provided from A. Wiggs, definite savings with non profit, would need to login to paypal and get setup. Revisit this specific topic in July. |
| Drug Testing | Estimated cost is \$15-20 each horse, Lab options, University of Kentucky or Industrial Lab Denver, CO. Need to make a decision to move forward with sampling a small selection of shows in 2025. Motion by L. Himmelrick to allow committee to move forward with drug testing plan, Second by S. Crook , motion passes. M. Duvernoy dropped from call during vote. Motion passes. Still need to determine logistics of payment, M. Davis will communicate with respective committee. |
| New Business: | |
| C. Forsyth | Discuss member concern regarding late payment of membership and horses not aquiring points prior to membership payment. There is an existing rule that does not allow for points to be retroactively calculated after payment of membership. Discussion regarding a late fee or if they pay Lifetime membership then retroactive points can be counted possibly. Moved to July for further discussion and decision. Motion to deny retroative application of points L. Himmelrick, second by M. Davis, C. Forsyth to communicate back to member of decision. |



| Committee Update | S. VanSickle to look at meeting planning app and committee list to be sent out via email to BOD for review electronically. |
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| Microchipping | A member reached out about microchip number. Field available on registration form. Motion by L. Himmelrick for communication to go out to members that this is an available offering Second by M. Davis. Motion passes |
| Judge Profiles | Some judges on the website have bios, some do not, need to get updated. Motion by S. VanSickle to create standard form for judges and update website S. VanSickle, Second by Levi, motion passes . ACTION: LOC to create questions A. Wiggs and H. Ercolano to create form. |

Action Item Review:

ACTION: H. Ercolano to send document template to S. Crook to create information to be sent to members for AGM vote in 2026.

ACTION: A. Wiggs will send list of committee members to BOD for review

ACTION: A. Wiggs to draft letter for B. Snyder and provide to S. VanSickle for approval prior to sending

ACTION: Develop document retention policy.

ACTION: S. Crook to verify with Education Committee and provide response regarding Vanner Voice

ACTION: S. VanSickle to determine time and date for Officer meeting. Need to review use of the form for Expenses.

ACTION: Hand off HOFawards to Awards Committee to determine appropriate award, potential custom award like prior years.

ACTION: LOC to create questions for judges, A. Wiggs and H. Ercolano to create form.

Next BOD Meeting:

July 15th, 2025 next meeting

Adjourn:

End of Meeting: L. Himmelrick Motion to adjourn 9:14pm, C. Forsyth Second. Meeting adjourned





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| Director | Christine Forsyth | Х | | 7:32pm | 11:34pm | |
| Director | Misha Duvernoy | Х | | 7:30pm | 11:34pm | |
| Director | Levi Himmelrick | Х | | 7:32pm | 10:29pm | |
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| Approval of Prior MINUTES | <u> </u> | | | ACC/REJ | Motion by | Second by |
| 7/15/2025 | exception of S. Crook of information, but has no | June BOD Meeting Minutes, approved with the exception of S. Crook due to wanting to add information, but has not provided information. and K. Walls not present at time of approval. | | ACC | L. Himmelrick | M. Davis |
| Committee Reports | | | | | | |
| Finance | Sent to BOD prior to | meeting via | email 7/7/25 | | | |
| Public Relations | No updates as of 7/1 | 0/25 | | | | |
| Shows | MN Pony & Cob Class Great Lakes Spring (Germantown Charity Midwest Gypsy Hors Texas Rose Breed S | Magnolia in The Mountains- 19 horses (NEW in 2025) MN Pony & Cob Classic- 35 horses, 2024- 50 horses (May last year) Great Lakes Spring Classic- 26 horses, 2024- 45 horses Germantown Charity Breeds Show- 20 horses, 2024- 18 horses Midwest Gypsy Horse Association- 21 horses, (NEW in 2025) Texas Rose Breed Show- 5 horses, (NEW in 2025) NEGHC Summer Equinox- 35 horses, 2024- 24 horses | | | | |
| Registration | Registrations Transfers New Members Renewed Members | | 114 125 23 27 | | | |
| Evaluations | No updates as of 7/1 | 0/25 | | | | |
| Licensed Officials | No updates as of 7/1 | 0/25 | | | | |
| Grievance | Closed 5 grievances | | n taken 7/3/ | 25, still 2 | 2 pending | |
| Youth | No updates as of 7/1 | | | | <u> </u> | |



| Rules and Bylaws | No updates as of 7/10/25 |
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| Nominations | No updates as of 7/10/25 |
| Marketing and Publications | Posting throughout the week, engaging 1500-3000 people per post, would like to propose creating a calendar for 2026. Motion by M. Davis to move forward with creation of calendar for 2026 M. Duvernoy, Second by L. Himmelrick , Motion passes |
| AW and Unsportmanlike Conduct | Drug Testing program announced and to begin collecting fees August 2025 |
| Region Reps | No updates as of 7/10/25 |
| Education and Planning | No updates as of 7/10/25, gave access to Constant Contact to committee member to create a template for Vanner Voice, draft was sent to Committee, A. Wiggs will sent to the BOD. Committee to create announcement of what is coming with the Vanner Voice. |
| Awards | Projected budget for 2025 awards, total spend approximated at \$28,548 to include LOH, LOE, HOF, Evaluation awards, Year End Awards and new show awards for 2026. Motion by S. VanSickle to approve awards budget for 2025, Second M. Davis, motion passes. |
| Events | Reaching out to venues and gathering quotes, very cost effective and virtual options |
| Message From the President | |
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Recognition

| M. Davis to recognize H. Ercolano and A. Wiggs, for extra hours and digging in and helping | | | | |
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| M. Duvernoy to recognize Awards Committee for quote and presentation of proposal | | | | |
| Old Business: | Old Business: | | | |
| New Judge Policy | Need to approval, A. Wiggs to provide update, no update, will vote electronically before July BOD, S. VanSickle to provide update electronically. | | | |
| Vanner Voice | Question regarding omission of Northern Ireland: Education Committee had originally stated: "The Gypsy Vanner Horse is a breed of horse that appeared in the mid-1990s that was created by selective breeding by a small group of Irish Travellers and Romani people of Great Britain and Ireland." M. Duvernoy requesting if "the omission of Northern Ireland was intentional and clarified that the terms Great Britain and United Kingdom are not synonymous as Great Britain includes England, Scotland, and Wales, but not Northern Ireland." Clarification still needed. S. Crook stated the committee intends to use the term "British Isles" in the final version. Prior ACTION: S. Crook to verify with Education Committee and provide response regarding Vanner Voice: ACTION: Change to United Kingdom or British Isles, to include Northern Ireland, S. Crook to review with committee. | | | |



| Show Coordinator | Still on hold pending Financial review and transition of duties amongst current staff, review in July BOD, Table until September |
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| PayPal Fees | Update to be provided from A. Wiggs, definite savings with non profit, would need to login to paypal and get setup. Update , Login Credentials provided to D. Krause for logging into accounts, A. Wiggs to follow up with access |
| C. Forsyth | Discuss member concern regarding late payment of membership and horses not acquiring points prior to membership payment. There is an existing rule that does not allow for points to be retroactively calculated after payment of membership. Discussion regarding a late fee or if they pay Lifetime membership then retroactive points can be counted possibly. Update , Decision was made to abide by current rules and points will not be awarded retroactively. ACTION: C. Forsyth to follow up with member |
| Committee Update | S. VanSickle to look at meeting planning app and committee list to be sent out via email to BOD for review electronically. Completed by A. Wiggs 7/15/25 |
| Items: | ACTION: H. Ercolano to send document template to S. Crook to create information to be sent to members for AGM vote in 2026. Completed 6/27/25 ACTION: A. Wiggs will send list of committee members to BOD for review Completed 7/15/25 ACTION: A. Wiggs to draft letter for B. Snyder and provide to S. VanSickle for approval prior to sending Completed 6/27/25 ACTION: Develop document retention policy. No Update ACTION: S. Crook to verify with Education Committee and provide response regarding Vanner Voice Completed 7/15/25 ACTION: S. VanSickle to determine time and date for Officer meeting. Need to review use of the form for Expenses. No Update ACTION: Hand off HOF awards to Awards Committee to determine appropriate award, potential custom award like prior years. Completed 7/15/25 ACTION: LOC to create questions for judges, A. Wiggs and H. Ercolano to create form. Update, S. VanSickle to follow up with LOC week ending 7/18/25 |
| | On 7/1/25 a show submitted a request for approval to be held on September 13-14, 2025. Due to not meeting the requirement of the GHVS policy; "The show manager needs to fill out and submit a show request at least 90 days prior to the event". The show was denied approval from being included in the year end points program. All Directors in favor except Director S. Crook and M. Davis per email vote 7/9/25. |
| New Business: | |



| Prefixes | Review text received by multiple BOD members, email with details sent prior on 7/14/25. A. Wiggs to pull previously submitted documentation to be sent to BOD for review. |
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| Virtual/Remote AGM | Would like to discuss potential for a remote AGM, but In Person judges seminar. M. Duvernoy to discuss. Working on gathering options, however BOD felt strongly about meeting in person at more affordable location and with an adjusted schedule. |
| Collected Data | Conflict of Interest topic, S. Crook to review as requested, discussion regarding members of the BOD and Officers are part of other breed "registries". The concern was discussed that the GHSA is a 501 C5 and "could" turn into a breed association, however the GHSA is not currently a breed registry and do not solicit themself to be one. When H. Ercolano submitted documentation to be considered for being a part of the GVHS organization with full disclosure that she held an officer position with the GHSA South Central Region. If there is further concern of GHSA then there needs to be a call with GHSA or investigation to be conducted. CGHC has not been operating since 2021 and was not discussed further. |
| Policy Change | Drug testing, S. Crook to review as requested, ACTION: H. Ercolano to send drug testing program to BOD for review. |
| Oregon Show | Sponsorship Consideration, Motion by S. VanSickle to follow policy an provide sponsorship to Oregon show but will reassess in 2026, Second by M. Davis, motion passes . ACTION: A. Wiggs to follow up with show to adjust rules to align to GVHS. |
| Member Concern | Committee Chair/Judge's position, S. Crook to review as requested. Conflict of interest for a member to hold positions as LOC Chair, Evaluator, Show Manager and Judge. Was discussed the Evaluations conducted by this member have not been in the US and horses are not attending shows judged or ran by this member, determined to not be a concern. Discussed potential concerns that this member is the Chair of the LOC, judges and evaluates, conflict of interest was not made clear. The breed is small and we utilize a small group of professionals for many activities and are aware of potential issues and are acknowledging the concern at this time, but no actions to be taken. |
| Special Meeting | Request by S. Crook, "Please send me this month updated membership list with mailing addresses email addresses, and phone numbers. I need to call a special meeting and I need in touch with all of our members", ACTION: Only will provide emails and divide into voting versus non voting. Remove emails from public website, current members ok to post on members only page and update membership form, assigned to A. Wiggs. |
| Action Item Review: | |



ACTION: Vanner Voice, Change to United Kingdom or British Isles, to include Northern Ireland, S. Crook to review with committee.

ACTION: Login Credentials provided to D. Krause for logging into accounts, A. Wiggs to follow up with access

ACTION: Decision was made to abide by current rules and points will not be awarded retroactively, C. Forsyth to follow up with member

ACTION: H. Ercolano to send drug testing program to BOD for review.

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Next BOD Meeting:

August 19th, 2025 next meeting

11:34pm Christine Motion to adjourn, Sam V Second

End of Meeting: