

**THE AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY, INC**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 7, 2015 – GoToMeeting**

President Mike Arnold called the meeting to order at 7:15pm CT.

**Secretary's Report**

Voting members present: Mike Arnold, Amanda Horton, Bill Lawson, Ann Davis, Francine Arrington, and Elaine Kendig.

Secretary Davis reported that there was a quorum.

**Approval of Minutes of February 19, 2015**

Elaine Kendig pointed out a problem with the minutes dealing with Excess Liability Insurance for ADS Members. The Secretary agreed to make the changes and resubmit the minutes at the next Executive Committee meeting.

**2015 Budget & Cash Balances –**

Treasurer Lawson updated the committee on his project to update the 2015 budget to include revenue from the ADS Fund. He will present the update at the next Executive Committee meeting.

He further discussed current cash balances and current cash flow as compared to prior years. He will have a report for the next meeting. He agreed to send members three months of bank statements for their review prior to the meeting.

**State Registration Deadline**

The President stated that the ADS received a penalty from Mississippi for fund raising in 2013 without proper registration. He has worked with Perlman, the firm handling ADS state registrations, to determine how this happened and how to avoid in the future. The Treasurer agreed to work with the accountants to have 2014 990's available early in order to meet the April/May deadlines.

**Insurance with Equisure**

Vice-President Horton stated that she is working with office staff member Stacy Carlson to insure that ADS follows up with Diane Lescher of Equisure on the proposed Excess Liability Insurance for ADS Members. At the same time, the office will discuss the Accidental Death and Excess Accident Medical Insurance policy.

**New Business**

AMERICAN MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

The President reported that the AMHA is interested in a joint members meeting in 2017

USEF LETTER TO AFFILIATES REGARDING DRUG TESTING

The President stated that the ADS has received a letter from the USEF addressed to its affiliates asking for recommendations on USEF recognized events at which the affiliate wants USEF drug testing.

The committee agreed that the ADS decline the offer at this time because the request does not apply to the ADS as there are no classes that are both ADS and USEF recognized.

The Committee also discussed the ADS position on drug use by horses/ponies at ADS events. Amanda Horton agreed to write a statement regarding the ADS position on the issue.

### **Executive Session**

President Arnold called the meeting into Executive Session at 8:20 to discuss personnel issues.

The President called the meeting back into regular session at 8:35.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the President adjourned the meeting at 8:36.

**Next meeting – Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00pm CT.**

**Submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary ADS Board of Directors**