MINUTES of the Annual Meeting of Members of Standardbred Canada, held in the Hazel McCallion C & D Room of the Delta Meadowvale Hotel, Mississauga, Ontario on Saturday, January 28^{th} , 2012 at 1:00 PM.

1. <u>Call to Order</u>

The Chair, Tammy McNiven, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present.

2. <u>Notice of Meeting & Identification of Members</u>

Mrs. McNiven advised that Notice of Meeting had been properly sent by first class mail via the December 2011 issue of TROT Magazine, and whereas there was a quorum present, declared the meeting duly constituted for the transaction of business.

3. <u>Introduction of Directors</u>

Mrs. McNiven introduced the current Standardbred Canada Directors in attendance at the meeting.

4. <u>Introduction of Officers</u>

Mrs. McNiven introduced the officers of the Board as follows:

Chair - Tammy McNiven
Vice-Chair - Doug McIntosh
Corporate Secretary - Caren Brown-Stockwell
Chief Financial Officer - Rosenna So
President & Chief Executive Officer - John Gallinger

5. <u>Minutes of Annual Meeting of Members of January 29, 2011</u>

MOVED by Bob Roach, **SECONDED** by Joanne Colville that the minutes of January 29, 2011 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**.

6. <u>Business arising from Minutes</u>

Mr. Gallinger spoke to the motion made at the 2011 Annual General Meeting, indicating the Board reviewed the motion and that no action was required.

7. Approval of 2011 Audited Financial Statement

Mr. Gallinger reviewed key points with respect to the 2011 Financial Statements. (Attached)

MOVED by Dr. Maurice Stewart, **SECONDED** by Rick Karper that the 2011 Audited Financial Statement be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**.

8. Appointment of Auditor for fiscal 2012

MOVED by Dean Leifso, **SECONDED** by Morag Watt that the firm of Grant Thornton be approved as Auditors for Standardbred Canada for fiscal 2012. **CARRIED**.

9. Report of the Chair of the Board

Mrs. McNiven introduced the members of the Executive Committee:

Chair of the Board

Vice Chair

Chair of the Breeders Committee:

Tammy McNiven

Doug McIntosh

Dr. Mitchell Downey

Bob Roach

Dr. Maurice Stewart Richard Veilleux

Mrs. McNiven reported that 2012 would see a near balanced budget with no fee increases.

She advised that the Board of Directors had voted to decrease the Board to 15 members and that more information about this will be communicated to the members in the coming months so that they are well informed before voting on the proposed change.

Mrs. McNiven advised that Standardbred Canada's IT system was being upgraded in 2012 and on-line staking was now available.

10. Report of the President & CEO

Mr. Gallinger reviewed the fact that the Association was focused on improving technical and business processes in 2011 to improve operations and cost of delivery of member services.

Mr. Gallinger invited the membership to call Standardbred Canada's office if they had any questions or concerns.

He noted that the O'Brien Awards would be held that evening and wished that everyone in attendance enjoy the celebration of our Canadian champions.

11. New Business

There was no new business.

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12. **Termination**

Whereas there was no further business, the meeting terminated on a motion by Dean Leifso.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy McNiven (Chair)

Anne McNeil (Recording Secretary)