

The Iowa Quarter Horse Association meeting was held at Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, Iowa on January 22, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Debra Donnelly at 7:00 pm. Debra Donnelly asked for a roll call with the following in attendance: Debra Donnelly, President; Tammi Adix, Vice President, Val Cedar, Secretary-Treasurer; Lara Yungclas, District #1; Brian Hamrick, District #2; Jennifer Sheriff, District #3; Kim Strong, District #4; Marc Chapman, District #5; Jeanine Lowry, District #6; Rosalie Carlson, District #7; Directors at Large: Colleen Conrad, Jesse Bergantzel, Sara Heeley & Monte Hamilton. Absent were Chris Tostenrud, District #8; Butch Hammer, Director Emeritus. Guests: Jackie Kincaid, Wanda Gilligan, Jolene Edmundson, Joanne Lillegard, Emma Schaefer, Janelle Schaefer, Michael Conrad, Jay Greene, Heather Bergantzel, Cindy Johnson, Nancy Greene, Jennifer Horton, Cindy Hamilton, Wade Ellerbroek, Bill Horton, Cathi Luett, Dylana Luett, and Rick Bailey.

Finances were presented by Val Cedar as follows: Union State Bank Interest-\$61.68, US Bank-\$13,636.14, US Bank- Sibley- \$13,636.14 US Bank-New- \$40.43, Wells Fargo Operating- \$58,998.42, Operating Savings- \$12,874.59. Wells Fargo Breeders- \$54,735.74, Wells Fargo- Breeder's Savings-\$78,057.37, CD's : 2 yr WP 2016- \$16,354.27, 3y yr WP 2016 - \$1,678.96, Superhorse 2016- \$3,000.00, 3 yr WP 2017- \$2,516.05, Wells Fargo Futurity- \$219.02, Wells Fargo Futurity Savings- \$344.09. Wells Fargo Amateur- \$7,478.03, Wells Fargo Amateur Savings-\$1,500.12, IQHYA Dollars for Scholars- Union State Bank- \$20,783.40, District #1- 7,799.14, District #2- \$20,310.65, District #3- \$9,480.00, District #4- \$437.00, District #5- \$7,390.77, District #6- \$15,463.09, District #7- \$8,452.86, District #8- \$7,653.97, IQHYA- \$28,707.21-Bank Balance as of 10/30/15. Motion to approve the finance by Rosalie Carlson, 2nd by Lara Yungclas, Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Jennifer Horton noted a correction needed in the November 2015 IQHA meeting minutes concerning the year end points qualifications. They should read: In order to be eligible for a state IQHYA year end award, or listed in the annual directory, for IQHA approved classes offered 15 or more times in the year, an exhibitor must enter that class a minimum of five (5) times in the current show year. For IQHA-approved classes offered less than 15 times in the year, an exhibitor must enter that class a minimum of two (2) times in the current show year, not as noted in the November minutes. Motion was made by Rosalie Carlson and 2nd by Kim Strong to amend the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

December Minutes: Minutes were read and Joanne Lillegard requested the following information be added: Joanne Lillegard has requested from Jennifer Horton the documentation of what Joanne L. states as malicious lies that were contained in a letter. To date Joanne Lillegard has not received said document. Joanne Lillegard also requested notation on Libby Lowry statement of 2012 9 & under year end award winners. There was a discrepancy noted for the tabulation for the 2012 9 & under awards as per Libby Lowry statement. It was at that time that Jeanine Lowry fielded any questions from that discussion. After item clarification, motion made by Marc Chapman, 2nd by Jennifer Sheriff to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously with the exception of Monte Hamilton not voting due to his absence from that meeting.

Magazine Proposal: Jennifer Horton presented a new IQHA Magazine proposal to the board that contains a 3rd issue. Publication times will be: Jan/Feb- Annual Directory, May 1- Spring Issue (deadline April 1), August 1- Summer Issue (deadline July 1), November 1- Fall Issue (deadline October 1). Cost for association pages is \$92.00. Motion by Monte Hamilton, 2nd by Rosalie Carlson to approve the Magazine proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Stallion Auction Update: Jennifer Sheriff reporting 98 stallions are listed on the online auction that went live January 22, 2016. She has had multiple conversations/emails with many about the online auction. Already showing \$22,000 in bids with 1 day live. Brian Hamrick concerned about some of the high chute fees on stallions and hopes all reads through descriptions carefully. The live auction closes on

January 30, 2016. The unsold stallions will remain listed on website and in the magazine until sold or June.

Affiliate Achievement Awards: Revisiting the issue from the December meeting. Jess Bergantzel suggested we add the new Rookie classes to possibly run concurrently with IQHA classes and if they purchase an IQHA membership, IQHA could possibly pay their entry fees. Total details not complete on his idea. If move forward, major promotion will be beneficial and can maybe involve the Iowa Professional Horsemen to help promote.

Mayflower update: Val Cedar reported that the Mark Harrel group has been hired and the showbill along with fees will be out shortly. Nancy Greene questioned when the exhibitors can find out the info and make stall reservations. There will be a Facebook page, and details on the IQHA website.

Financial Manager: Monte Hamilton feels that we need to research the directives set forth by the Iowa Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division to reinforce the fact that this position is a contract labor one. His suggestion is we comply with their requirements so we have no other financial obligations to the position.

Website: Jennifer Sheriff presented a proposal to redesign the IQHA website to make it fresher, more functional, visible and workable across the various devices that are utilized for accessing the web. The initial cost for website set up is \$425.00 with a monthly maintenance fee of \$100.00. If we choose to switch to the new web site option, it can be up within 15 days. Updates will be done within 12-24 hours of submission. The company can also set it up for forms, stall reservations, membership forms that can possibly include online payment options. Brian Hamrick questioned a member's only section, and that is also a possibility. A PIN can be assigned to the membership for access. The company currently manages the WCHA website and it was available for view along with an example of the IQHA website via a temporary site, Motion by Lara Yungclas, 2nd by Kim Strong to change the web site manager to Schwartz & Co. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Horseback Riding Program: Holly Wilson prepared a new breakdown of the HBR program. The program will now be only 2 divisions: Adult & Youth. Annual fee will be: 1st year- \$20 and every year after that \$15 with an increase in 2017 to 1st year-\$25 and every year after that \$20. Enrollees must a current IQHA/IQHYA membership. Year-end awards will be awarded to three places with the values of; First-\$40, Second-\$30, Third-\$20. Lifetime benchmarks to include: 50, 500, 1000, 1500 and 2000 hours. Prize values: 50-Visor or like IQHA product, 500-\$10, 1000-\$15, 1500-\$20, 2000-\$25. These will be one-time awards that people may achieve. Motion by Monte Hamilton, 2nd by Jess Bergantzel. Motion carried unanimously.

Iowa Horse Fair: The fee for the non-profit booth is \$200. Discussion was had about the feasibility of a booth and the need for visibility. Jackie Kincaid will be in charge of the booth this year along with the help of District #5. She is going to try to request a better booth location. It was questioned about the possibility of sponsoring items such as a stick horse race event, special needs event to name a couple. Motion by Colleen Conrad, 2nd by Lara Yungclas to have a booth and allow District #5 and Jackie Kincaid to be in charge. Motion carried unanimously.

Iowa Show Circuit: AQHA, Lisa Pond, contacted Debra Donnelly to inquire about the possibility of IQHA wanting to own a show during the Iowa Show Circuit. Motion by Brian Hamrick, 2nd by Rosalie Carlson that IQHA take over this show during the Iowa Show Circuit. Motion passed unanimously. Monte Hamilton suggested that if this gets approved, the IQHA needs to assign a delegate to attend the

Iowa Show Circuit meetings. Questioned if it is open in 2016 or 2017. IQHA still needs to verify this detail with AQHA. Jeanine Lowry has volunteered to be the delegate if needed.

By-Law Changes: District #5 /Julie Bailey had emailed a copy of proposed by-law changes. Suggested within these was the concept to bring the IQHYA into harmony with the IQHA. Monte Hamilton stating the IQHYA had a meeting where they addressed their own by-law changes themselves, of which they will be acting upon on January 23 at their own meeting. Joanne Lillegard stating that IQHA stated in places that they recognize the IQHYA as a committee. She was told by Butch Hammer this detail as well. She questioned if it is truly a committee, why is there a need for by-laws. Brian Hamrick questioned if the IQHYA has a youth charter. That questioned was addressed at the IQHYA by-laws meeting and they have their own EIN as well as an LLC, but have no charter. It was explained that they are an affiliate of IQHA. Joanne Lillegard asked how do you define affiliate and if it is part of IQHA then it is solely accountable to IQHA. She directed all to the Missouri Quarter Horses Youth Association where they follow the AQHA format and they are listed as a division within the Missouri Quarter Horse Association. Monte Hamilton questioned Missouri Youth Association's ownership of their own EIN. Wade Ellerbroek stated that IQHA set up the IQHYA and it needs the parent association but can stand alone with it's own funds and by-laws with the exception of scholarship funds. IQHA collects fees for the IQHYA and turns the monies over to the IQHYA. IQHA has a discrepancy in it's by-laws as stated presenting them as a committee according to Joanne Lillegard. Janelle Schaefer questioned the need for a \$40 family membership to pair with every IQHYA membership. She feels that it is a deterrent for some to join the association. Jennifer Horton stated that the IQHA requires an IQHA family membership as directed by the IQHA board. This benefits the IQHYA member as it provides the family with the magazine and helps to involve them in the IQHA. Nancy Greene noted the IQHA membership does tie the horse to year end awards if not owned by the youth. Joanne Lillegard suggested adopting a youth advisory committee that follows the AQHA rules and proposes it be put right in the by-laws. In the 2014 IQHA directory, Joanne Lillegard pointed out that the youth advisor is not listed as a committee. Rosalie Carlson stated that in order to change a portion of the by-laws, the entire by-laws need to be reworked. Notice needs to be give as this precedent has been set. These by-law changes have not had the opportunity to be sent to the General Membership and Rosalie Carlson suggests we table the by-law issue until the 2016 IQHA board is in place and proceed with asking for proposed by-law changes and have a committee work on proposed by-law changes. Another suggestion was to call a special meeting after sending notification to all IQHA members. Jeanine Lowry suggested working on this issue to present to the next annual general membership meeting. Joanne Lillegard stated that we don't need to address the by-law changes in this manner. Rosalie Carlson referred to Roberts Rules for clarification. Motion by Rosalie Carlson, 2nd by Jess Bergantzel to table the by-laws issue until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Monte Hamilton to go into closed session, 2nd by Brian Hamrick to go into closed session. Motion to be amended to include the request for the National Directors to remain if they so wish. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Jennifer Sheriff, 2nd by Lara Yungclas to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.