

IQHA Board Meeting Minutes  
Ames Pizza Ranch, 11/1/17

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Wednesday, November 1, 2017  
6:30 pm

President Debi Donnelly called the meeting to order at 6:53 pm.

Roll Call was taken by Debi Donnelly.

Present board members-Debi Donnelly, Brian Hamrick, Kim Strong, Jackie Kincaid, Rosalie Carlson, Marc Chapman, Colleen Conrad, Kelly Birkenholtz & JR Reichert.

Absent board members- Marlys Adkins, Wade Ellerbroek, Sara Heeley, Darla Merwald, & Lara Yungclas.

Minutes from the 10/11/17 conference call taken by Colleen Conrad were read. Minutes from the 9/11/17 meeting were not ready at that time. Marc motioned to approve the minutes from the conference call, Rosalie seconded them, motion passed.

A complete treasurer's report was not available. Debi reported that the US Bank account balance was \$13579.69. The old union state bank balance was \$18794.50. Due to the incomplete report, there was no motion to approve the treasurer's report.

The District reports were as follows:

District 2- Brian reported their Fall Colors Trail Ride was held, they had 42 riders, 20 participated in the trail challenge, had a great ride & weather. He also stated that the Hawkeye Classic will be held July 6-8 at Kirkwood, 3 judges + the special event.

District 4-Kim had no report.

District 5- Jackie reported they held their trail ride on Oct. 6-8 at Cross Roads Ranch, the weather wasn't great but they made the best of it. They had 11 people pay the AQHA fee, about 30 people total were there. They have a meeting coming up on November 14. AQHA is discontinuing their trail program so the trail rides will be taking a look at what they want to do. She also reported that the Luau went over well & they went thru meat for 250 people in about 1 ½ hours.

District 7- Rosalie reported that Lisa Pond contacted her about Lincoln wanting their June show dates moved up a week, they were ok with that, so the Denison show will be held on June 7-10 in Denison in 2018.

Marc & JR had no report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Banquet- There was discussion about the shortage of a banquet chair & anyone wanting to put together a banquet. Ideas were given as to other options as to what to do instead, such as one year amateurs are in charge of it & the following year the youth are in charge of it & possibly going to renting a building space & having a buffet style meal catered in. Some other clubs have gone away from having meetings & banquets for their award presentations due to the cost. Colleen said she would be in charge of taking the reservations if someone else would do the planning part of it. After discussing the awards, it was decided to see if the amateurs would head it up this year, have the youth & amateur donate \$500 each, IQHA picks up the rest of the bill, Colleen would take reservations. Brian will try to contact some

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amateurs to see about rounding up some volunteers & see if we can do it that way. He will try to get something together by the following Friday. Debi will contact the hotel.

Awards-

Jackie reported they have a meeting tomorrow evening to go over the awards, they have the catalog for this year, there are some discontinued items & some new items. Missy Merwald is doing a great job getting the awards all together.

Financials-

There was an email vote taken prior to the meeting to approve Karen Haven to handle the financials, the vote failed due to concerns board members had about the bid. It is getting late into the year & we need to approve a financial person to get our books finished for the year & ready for taxes. Karen Haven's bid was reviewed & some questions were answered, Rosalie motioned to accept the bid for Karen Haven for 2017 & 2018, Brian seconded. A roll call bid taken, JR-Yes, Rosalie-Yes, Kelly-Yes, Brian-Yes, Jackie-Yes, Marc-Yes, Kim-Yes, Colleen-Yes, motion passed.

Fall Classic/Futurity Show-

Debi & Colleen passed out a mostly complete financial review of the show. It did turn out better than what was previously expected. After reviewing the breakdown, discussion followed about possibly moving the location of the show to save money, possible date changes-it sounds like the Paint Horse World is going to stay on our dates, possibly moving the location & apply for 2 weekend shows instead of using the 6 judge shows on that weekend. This will be covered at an upcoming meeting.

Colleen addressed a concern about taking pre-entries for the open & the non-pro futurity classes, & suggested we discontinue taking pre-entries for these classes, only do the entries at the show for these classes, this does not include the breeders futurity. This would make the bookkeeping for those classes much easier. Colleen motioned to keep the open & non pro futurity classes but have it as an entry at the show, JR seconded. Brian voiced his concern about losing additional money with no-pre entries, a vote was taken, majority approved, Brian opposed, motion carried.

Kim raised a concern about the Breeder's judges that were switched as to if they charged an additional fee for the extra day & where it was paid from, Debi stated they did charge additional, but it was paid out of the breeder's funds.

JR brought up the judging confusion with Jeff Allen, after much discussion, it was decided to leave it alone & not to address it to AQHA since we can't put together 100% of what happened and the timeline & he was coming to judge the futurity not the AQHA show.

2018 Show Approval Form-

Rosalie updated the show approval form, she removed the year so the form can be used from year to year, after looking over the form, Rosalie agreed to mail out the show approval forms to the show committees when we receive notification of their shows, to make sure they get it to have the opportunity to have IQHA approval. Brian motioned & Kim 2<sup>nd</sup> to have Rosalie mail out the show approval forms & use her address on it, motion passed. Colleen motioned to approve the form with the discussed changes, Brian 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rosalie did not vote, motion passed.

Membership-

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It was decided to leave the fee at \$40, Kelly stated she was working on a new form to try to help eliminate some confusion with the amateur nomination fees & get the information needed to use the new membership program. She will try to get it put together & sent out for the board members to look at.

Lara had previously suggested that we require an IQHA membership to be paid to be eligible for the IQHA all-around/hi-point awards at our shows. After some discussion, Rosalie made a motion to approve this requirement for the Mayflower show, JR 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**New Business:**

2018 Mayflower Show- IQHA received an email from Shawn Head regarding the Jacobson rental for 2018. It states that the Jacobson arena will only have the arena dirt installed the week before the Iowa State Fair & removed in October as in the past. They state they will be updating the footing in the outdoor arena & pavilion. This means we need to decide what to do with the Mayflower Show. After Debi talked to Mr. Head, he stated they are going to put stalls up in the building across from the outdoor arena, the warm-up between the horse barn & the Jacobson will not be there either. Debi has also received the show approval forms back from Kathy Avolt because AQHA has moved the Novice Championships onto our weekend & she is busy with that or if we would move it to the following weekend is the Ohio Challenge which she will also be working. Also AQHA has increased their show approval fees & the Mayflower show approval would double. It was asked of Lisa Pond at AQHA if we could move the show out of state, she said it would then be considered a new show & we would lose our existing show privileges. The suggestions ranged from putting a hold on that show this year, try moving it to another location, but there isn't one in Iowa that can offer that many stalls, try holding the show with only the pavilion & outdoor arena & changing the dates. After much discussion it was decided to think about it until Dec.

**Breeder's Auction-**

Jennifer Sheriff submitted a bid to handle to online auction for IQHA which was passed out to the board members, JR motioned to approve the bid except for the \$500 for Facebook/Constant Contact. After some discussion, JR amended his motion to include the \$500 for the Facebook/Constant Contact, to make it the bid of the 2-\$500's (\$1000 total) plus the \$10/horse, Rosalie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Debi wanted to clarify that we wanted to allow a "second/third" stud, with the result of 3 foals per stallion. A couple of the stallion owners that Debi had asked about this too, did not like that idea. This was not on the form from last year, do we want to continue to offer this or put on the mare nomination form for this year. JR motioned to go back to letting the stud sell twice for 2018 if designated on the form, Kim 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Colleen updated the dates on the forms & they were handed out. Rosalie is going to add a check box to mark if they want their stallion to sell twice. Rosalie will update the form & send to Jennifer Sheriff & Jennifer Horton.

**Rule Changes-**

Debi shared concerns that were shared with her. One was about changing the payout to 10 places like in the past. She also had a complaint about changing the 2017 auction year super horse to a 3 yo stating it wasn't fair to the halter horses. She also had 2 trainers call her about putting money back into the 2 yo's so the people can sell the horse as a 2 yo & puts more money back into the 2 yo pot, especially if placing out to 10 places.

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There was discussion as to if we want to promote showing the horses as 3 yo's instead of 2 yo's, possibly adding a 2 yo lounge line. It was suggested that we have this discussion with the people in the breeder's and get their opinion on it, if they want to change the rules to focus on 3 yo's instead of riding the 2 yo's. Rosalie suggested to bring the topic up at the general meeting & get the consensus.

Rosalie moved to payback up to 10 places in the IQHA Breeder's Futurity for 2018 according to the pay scale previously used. Brian 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed

Rosalie motioned to move it back to a 2 YO Super Horse for the 2018 Auction, motion failed due to lack of a 2<sup>nd</sup>.

For 2018 it was decided to split the money between the 2 & 3 yo's as currently written, 35% to the 3 yo's, 40% to the 2 yo's & 25% to the yearlings.

Year End Awards-

Kelly asked some questions about the Year End Awards. It was pointed out that Novice does not require halter because it is only a High Point, not an All Around title. She suggested we make this more obvious, as to most people don't realize there is a difference in High Point & All Around titles. She also suggested to change the wording from 5 shows requirement to 5 judges to make it more clear. Also we need to make a clarification on the All Around titles if the same horse/exhibitor team can win 2 categories, such as Select & Amateur. Due to time constraints, we will finish addressing rule changes/clarifications at the next meeting for the 2018 rules.

District Elections-

It is the even numbered districts election years this year, the district reps need to send an email to their members & make this known.

Brian motioned to adjourn the meeting, Rosalie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, meeting was adjourned at 9:56pm. The next meeting will be held in December.