

IQHA Board Meeting Minutes
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Friday, January 12, 2018
7:00 pm

President Debi Donnelly called the meeting to order at 7:04 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, Marlys Adkins, Wade Ellerbroek, Sara Heeley, Darla Merwald, & Lara Yungclas.

There were no absent board members.

Minutes from the 11/1/17 & 12/11/17 meetings had been emailed out prior to the meeting. JR motioned to approve them, Lara 2nd, motion passed.

The treasurer's report given by Colleen, Operating Funds: General Checking account-\$117854.75, General Savings \$27575.22, Amateur Checking \$8183.07, Amateur Savings \$4952.06, Open & Non-Pro Futurity Checking \$728.70, Open & Non-Pro Futurity Savings \$300.28, US Bank Sibley \$13580.02, Total Operating Funds: \$173173.47. Restricted Funds: Breeder's Checking \$7955.66, 2017 Breeder's Savings \$64231.63, 2016 Breeder's Savings \$61076.22, 2015 Breeder's \$34805.86, Dollars for Scholars \$19282.41, Union State Bank \$18801.61, Total Restricted Funds: \$206153.31, Total IQHA Funds: \$379326.86.

District Balances: District 1 \$8871.71 (does not include the Mayflower show check), District 2 Checking \$6744.26, District 2 Savings \$11160.37, District 3 \$6768.00, District 4 \$4690.30, District 5 \$4108.21, District 6 \$15414.18, District 7 \$5985.92, District 8 \$7845.84, Total Youth \$21980.18. Kelly questioned that the money had not been moved yet from the Sibley account to the Futurity account for the added paybacks this year, Debi stated it hasn't been moved but was added into the paybacks. Brian motioned to approve to approve the treasurer's report, Rosalie 2nd, motion passed.

The District reports were as follows:

District 1- Lara had no report.

District 2- Brian reported they had their Nov. meeting, they re-elected Brian as director & elected a new secretary/treasurer. They have decided to do the trail ride again, but it will not be AQHA sanctioned due to AQHA eliminating that program. They also voted to have 4 tables at the tack swap at Kirkwood in January. He reported that they donated \$500 each to 2 charities, Miracles in Motion & Camp Courageous & the Hawkeye Classic Show will be held 7/6-7/8.

District 4- Kim reported they held a meeting & Kim was re-elected as director & that District 4 has doubled it's membership.

District 5- Jackie reported they had their Christmas Party with a taco bar, the members were happy to hear that we were going to go ahead & hold the Mayflower Show, they had their Open Show Award again this year & they are going to sponsor the Iowa State Fair again.

District 6- Marlys reported that Jeanine Lowry will be their director for 2018, their shows are May 25-29 in Denison, there have been some updates done to the stalls. This was the second year of their Open Show Awards Program, they had an adult & youth winner which received \$250 each.

District 7- Rosalie reported they had a meeting, their show will be held June 7-10 at Denison, they are changing their schedule a little for this year.

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District 8- Wade they had a meeting, no one wanted to serve as director, so Wade will stay on, Holly Wilson has been reappointed & they have gained a few new members.

Marc had no report but thanked Brian & the board for getting the banquet put together.

Sara had no report.

Darla had no report.

JR thanked Debi & Colleen for all they have done.

No National Directors in attendance to report.

Director of Emeritus-Wade- He said AQHA is not looking good as far as memberships, their reserve funds are down a lot & the incentive fund is gone. He discussed some of the reasons for the loss of money.

Amateur Committee- no one there to report for the amateurs. For awards Missy Merwald reported that 70 people will be receiving awards, 4 High Point/All Around, 4 Reserve High Point/All Around. Colleen reported that they made \$600 more in fundraising this year, mainly due to the Mayflower Basket Silent Auction.

Youth Committee- Jennifer Horton reported they have their officer elections at the meeting tomorrow. They had one scholarship winner for this year.

Magazine- Jennifer stated that it would be covered later in the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayflower Show-

Debi reported that the show forms have been sent in and the check for \$3000 to AQHA for show approval fees was also sent. Sara reported the show manager & secretary position bid had to be re-done & will be submitted in the next couple days, the show committee met prior to this meeting consisting of Jennifer Horton (youth), Lara (Dist. 1), Kim (Dist.4), Jackie (Dist. 5), Sara & Kelly. Shawn Head from ISF was supposed to be sending the contract for the fairgrounds, but it has not been received yet. Brian volunteered to hire the judges.

Debi reported on an email that Susan Knapp sent to Gary Slater about the Jacobson rental issue this year, Gary is going to be meeting her for lunch to discuss things. Jessica Maldonado had made a Facebook group aware of what is going on with the Fairgrounds & sent a letter to the IQHA board trying to organize a group effort to discuss this topic with ISF asking if IQHA would be willing to participate. Sara & Susan have talked to Jessica & will be liaison's with them along with Jackie. Colleen reported on a phone call she had with the group that holds the Springfest horse show, they are also wanting to stay in contact with someone from IQHA. They stated if they do not let them have the Jacobson, they probably won't be able to have their show. It was strongly suggested that the membership sends hand written letters to them voicing their concerns.

Debi brought up that Janelle Shaefer text her that the Buckskin association would like to work with the Mayflower & Fall Classic shows.

Horse Fair-Debi reported the booth space has been paid for cost \$375 for 2 spots, Jackie said they would like to have an amateur &/or a youth representative to sit in the booth. They will be having the photo booth again & are open to suggestions for other ideas. For giveaways it was suggested to use the old show prizes that are left & have been around awhile. Debi said we have pens left to give out, Colleen said there were some cups left. The amateurs donated \$200 to the Iowa Horse Fair but Jackie has not

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seen it yet. There are quite a few legs wraps left, Jackie will go thru what we have to give away & figure what else we need & go from there.

Banquet-

Brian reported we have about 167 reservations as of this morning. He raised \$2250 in sponsorship & have people bringing door prizes. Jerry will be the MC & he gave a big thanks to Liz Peterson for putting the banquet program. Kim motioned to comp Liz's meal & Lara 2nd, the motion was then amended to a meal for Liz & /or guest up to 2 people, motion passed. He did say the reservations all seem to come in pretty late, most in the last week. There was some discussion as to the "at the door" price & the problem's. Mary Jo is handling the tables, Ella Carlson will possibly be working the silent auction tables.

Magazine Contract-

Debi reported that they will be maintaining the same pricing on the magazine but do need a 10 page guarantee to do this. Jennifer answered some questions from the board, she explained the 10 pages includes the amateur, breeder's, youth & the association. There was discussion as to what all could be put in the magazine to be able to make the 10 page minimum & it was decided it was in the member's best interest to offer this to them. Brian motion to accept the bid for the 10 page minimum, Wade 2nd, motion passed.

Stallion Auction-

Jennifer Sheriff was injured & unable to attend, but she had text Kelly there was 66 studs & Debi had received 3 more that day, giving a total of 69. She said the catalog was ready & would be posted online Monday. There was a concern brought forward by a stallion owner that did not agree with having to pay the membership to donate those stallions. There was much discussion whether this policy should be changed. Some points were made that the stallion owner does not get money directly for every breeding, but they do get \$500 if their offspring wins the Super Horse title. Another point was that some stallion owner's will sell their stallion owner slot, although not all do that either. It was pointed out that it is too late to change this for 2018 & it has always been a rule, possibly it has not been enforced in some of the past years. There was more discussion as to the low amount of stallions being offered this year. After more discussion it was decided that we need to continue to charge the membership to the stallion owner's. During the meeting JR was able to get some stallion owners to commit their stallions.

Membership Form-

Kelly had emailed out prior to the meeting & handed out copies of a revised membership form that she designed in hopes of getting all required information needed to use the software for the point keeping system. Brian motioned to adopt the new membership form, Kim 2nd, Kelly did not vote, motion passed. The new form will be used tomorrow & will be posted on the website. There was some discussion about how we can handle "late" paid memberships for people who forgot to pay or didn't know they had to pay, Kelly suggested that we need to have a membership listing posted at the shows for people to check to make sure they are paid up, make sure their open exhibitors are paid to earn open points. Also there should be a sign to post at the shows to remind them & cover the basic rules. Jennifer Horton suggested including these in our show packet to the show managers. Kelly also suggested that we post a current membership listing (names & divisions paid only) online so they can check on their memberships.

New Business

Point Rules-

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Kelly address some of this issues she ran across this year for the point rules & suggested some changes. She wants to change the wording from a minimum of "5 shows" to 5 judges for clarification purposes. Brian motioned to change the wording to "must show under at least 5 judges & earn at least 5 points", Kelly 2nd, motion passed. There was a concern brought up about there not being enough judges offered to the cow horse classes. There was more discussion about how to address this situation. Jennifer Horton explained how the youth rules are set up to handle this situation, Lara made a motion to follow how the youth do their class requirement. Brian motioned to modify to 3 judges instead of 2 on any class that's offered less than 8 times. He later rescinded the motion after determination that it didn't help the situation because the cattle classes are offered 8 times. Kelly addressed the possible situation of an Amateur winning both the Amateur Select & Amateur All Around awards with a horse that is good in halter. Since the halter classes only show as once in Amateur halter, it would be double dipping on showing once. Brian motioned to make a rule stating, "The same horse & exhibitor combination may only be awarded one All Around award, Amateur or Amateur Select, whichever division they have earned the most points in". Lara 2nd, motion passed. It was mentioned to add "If an exhibitor shows in a combined age class, they will be asked to designate the points to the correct division of their choice" but then decided we do not need to add this because we already do this when putting the points in if there is a question. Jackie motioned to change the wording under Year End Awards section "given the choice" & to remove that paragraph from the rules. Rosalie 2nd, motion passed.

Breeder's Futurity-

Debi handed out a proposal from Debi & Colleen to handle the IQHA Breeder's Futurity. More time to look over the proposal was asked for but due to time constraints to make this decision & have someone actively handling this issue, the vote was taken. Wade motioned to approve the proposal with the change of eliminating one sentence regarding the check signing, JR 2nd, Vote was taken, 9 approved, Kelly opposed, Kim, Rosalie & Colleen did not vote, motion passed.

Fall Classic-

Debi contacted Shawn Head at the ISF to see what dates they have us down for, they have us down for Sept. 20-24, 2018, which is the same dates as Nebraska, so that would not be possible for us to have our show that weekend. The Percheron's have the arena booked for the first weekend in October & due to this the POA's have had their show moved to the last weekend in September. Shawn talked to the POA association about sharing the Sept. 27-30 date with them. We would get ½ the stalls in the horse barn & the Jacobson. Debi called Lisa Pond & AQHA has us down for the last weekend in September so we will not need to file for a change of date.

Director & Officer's Insurance-

The D & L Insurance was up, Debi filed new forms, they responded that the company said they found us a new broker that they do more business with, for \$687, the coverage will be the same, minus the EPLI- since we do not have employee's we do not need this coverage & a reduced deductible of zero. Debi signed the paperwork & returned it, this has saved us some money from last year.

Missouri Email-

Missouri Quarter Horse Association sent us an email asking if we wanted to dual sanction with them for their February show in Lake St. Louis due to the issues we are having with the Jacobson. There was some discussion about the pro's & con's of doing this, the affect of this on our members & our IQHA shows held in Iowa. Debi also read an email to the board she received from Mary Moorman regarding The Run. This email states that they will not be seeking IQHA approval for The Run in 2018. There was discussion

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about the letter & the issues with the content. JR motioned to sanction with Missouri, motion failed due to lack of a second.

Finance Review-

Colleen reported that Karen Haven has made it thru November 2017 for the books. She said she hopes to have the 2017 records done soon.

Nominating Committee-

Lara has not received any nominations for the election.

Kelly asked about posting a show schedule to post online, she has received a lot of questions from people about the dates. It was discussed & decided that we can post all the show dates as "pending" until we receive the approval from AQHA.

Brian motioned to go into closed session, Rosalie 2nd, motion passed, we went into closed session.

JR motioned to adjourn the meeting, Wade 2nd, motion passed, the meeting was adjourned.