

IQHYA Annual Membership Meeting

January 10th, 2026

Holiday Inn Des Moines - Airport

Meeting called to order at 10:06am by Sophie Garside

- Motion to approve the agenda made by Karly Christensen and seconded by Marlie Frederick

In attendance: Sophia Garside, Jenna Schlieman, Savanna Saylor, Lane Wilson, Brockelyn Anderson, Kendall LaVelle, Grace Myers, Lilly Peterson, Aubrey Adkins, Gracie Niccum, Katie Kiburz, Shay Henson, Brooke Myers, Marlie Frederick, Karly Christensen, Jennifer Horton

Secretary's Report read by Jennifer (Kara absent)

- Motion to approve Secretary's Report made by Shay Henson and seconded by Marlie Frederick

Treasurer's Report presented by Marlie Frederick

- Discussed Youth World Show (YWS) expenses, basic income/expense questions from the past year

Old Business:

- As brought up at the last virtual meeting, members discussed whether or not IQHYA should pay for entries of YWS and/or Congress
- No other old business

New Business:

- Mayflower
 - Western Riding/Ranch Riding challenge similar to Scenic City Show
 - IQHA Non-Pro Challenge continues
 - IQHYA sponsors youth high point awards at the Mayflower again
 - Motion to approve made by Marlie Frederick and seconded by Lilly Peterson
 - Added money classes (3 of them listed on showbill) to pay out 1st-3rd (50%, 30%, 20%)
 - Adding more class to this list was discussed, tabled until the next meeting
- Google Meet or Teams for virtual meetings
 - Voted to stay Google Meet unless meetings need to be over an hour, which then IQHA has a Teams account for
 - More virtual meetings to keep communication consistent
 - Sunday at 7pm was favored time slot for virtual meetings

- Publish virtual calendar to know these meetings ahead of time
- Communication
 - GroupMe rather than emails for the youth members
 - Still posting on Facebook and through emails for parents
- YWS/NYATT reimbursement
 - Potential requirements to be able to have entries paid for
 - Everyone could get one class entry paid for
 - Would more people attend if entries/stalls were paid for?
 - Conversation was tabled to set a committee, gather some info/data on what other associations are doing – Dani Anderson and Rhona LaVelle
 - YWS Decorations/budget
 - Pop-up stall fronts – new covers for them since the old ones have the old YWS theme on them
 - Research committee to find decorations for the team based on the theme for this year
 - Include those not present at this meeting who have been/plan to go to the world show
 - Motion made by Marlie Frederick to table this conversation to a committee and move on – seconded by Savanna Saylor
- Fundraising
 - Pancake breakfast at the Mayflower
 - Set up in a more prime location to be seen more
 - More announcements for more traction
 - Pie & Cake Auction at the Mayflower
 - Ideas to replace Quilt Raffle this year
 - Harris work saddle (donated/discounted)
 - Hannah's Custom Tack/The Tack Room donate a show pad or custom chaps
 - Candy-grams/Flowers at Snowflake Circuit
 - Candy bags made by Dani and Brockelyn Anderson to be given out at Snowflake - similar to Valentine's goodie bags
 - Horse treat bags delivered in same way
 - Flower bouquets donated in Valentine's spirit
 - Motion to approve Candygrams + activities at the Mayflower moved by Kendall LaVelle and seconded by Brockelyn Anderson
 - Game idea for pay-to-enter where winners get a cut of the proceeds and IQHA gets the other half
 - Volleyball
 - Dodgeball
- Share the Love Community Service project

- At Snowflake again this year

- **Elections**
 - President - Shay Henson
 - Nominations: Kara Flickinger & Shay Henson
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Marlie Frederick, seconded by Grace Myers
 - First vote result was a tie, followed by a revote for Shay Henson to win office by majority vote
 - Vice President - Brooke Myers
 - Nominations: Lilly Peterson & Brooke Myers
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Lane Wilson
 - Brooke Myers to win office by majority vote
 - Secretary - Kara Flickinger
 - Nominations: Kara Flickinger
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Marlie Frederick, seconded by Savanna Saylor
 - Motion for unanimous vote by Shay Henson, seconded by Brooke Myers to vote Kara into the office
 - Treasurer - Marlie Frederick
 - Nominations: Marlie Frederick
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Grace Myers
 - Motion for unanimous vote by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Kendall LaVelle to vote Marlie into the office
 - Point Secretary - Lilly Peterson
 - Nominations: Lilly Peterson
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Shay Henson, seconded by Savanna Saylor
 - Motion for unanimous vote by Lane Wilson, seconded by Savanna Saylor to vote Lilly into the office
 - Reporter - no willing nominations
 - Tabled to Snowflake Circuit meeting
 - VP of Teams - Kendall LaVelle
 - Nominations: Kendall LaVelle
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Shay Henson, seconded by Marlie Frederick

- Motion for unanimous vote by Brockelyn Anderson, seconded by Marlie Frederick to vote Kendall into the office
 - VP of Awards - Grace Myers
 - Nominations: Grace Myers
 - Motion for unanimous vote by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Brockelyn Anderson
 - VP of Fundraising - Brockelyn Anderson
 - Nominations: Brockelyn Anderson
 - Motion for nominations to seize by Shay Henson, seconded by Savanna Saylor
 - Motion for unanimous vote by Lane Wilson, seconded by Brockelyn Anderson
 - Directors: NE, SE, SW, NW
 - Motion to table directors to Snowflake Circuit meeting by Marlie Frederick, seconded by Brooke Myers
 - Adult Directors:
 - Points - Lanie Peterson
 - Awards - Missy Fleck
 - Fundraising - Dani Anderson
 - Teams - Rhonda LaVelle
 - Treasurer - Sarlynn Heston
 - Membership - N/A
 - Liaison to IQHA - Jennifer Horton
 - Motion to approve Adult Directors by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Marlie Frederick
 - Youth Advisor - Jennifer Horton
 - Motion to elect Jennifer Youth Advisor by Marlie Frederick, seconded by Aubrey Adkins
 - Motion to destroy ballots by Savanna Saylor, seconded by Marlie Frederick
- Emily Bohnsack Spirit Award
 - Unanimous nomination/vote - recipient to be announced at banquet
- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Marlie Frederick, seconded by Lane Wilson

Meeting adjourned at 11:51am by Sophie Garside