



## ILLINOIS QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Jan. 24, 2010

Gene Allen welcomed all present and thanked Kandi Lane and her crew for a great convention. He said he heard they had hired the band again for next year already. He explained that members from the general board, the youth board and the race board were in attendance. For the Board members of the general association, Gene explained that there can be a problem making a quorum if directors do not attend the meetings. He reinforced that the bylaws say directors should not miss more than 2 meetings per year. Directors should make sure that an alternate is listed in case attendance becomes a problem. Most meetings will have phone-in capabilities. Joe Glassford made a motion to enforce the bylaws regarding missing meetings. John Boxell seconded the motion. The motion passed. Directors should make sure an alternate is listed with Cheryl LaMaster. That alternate should make every effort to attend a meeting if a director cannot. Committee chairperson should also make sure Cheryl LaMaster has a list of committee members. Gene designated certain people to be liaisons with other groups and report to the Board about activities. LeaAnn Koch will represent the race group; Barb Gibson will represent the amateurs; Deb Loftus will represent recreational riding; Carmen Wolff will represent the youth. Official roll call was taken as introductions were made. The following Board members were present: Gene Allen, Joe Glassford, Cheryl LaMaster, Brian Jallas, Ken Freeman, Connie McLaughlin, Kandi Lane, Jeff, Greaves, LeaAnn Koch, Ed Lawrence, Mindy Riden, Nancy Allen, Barb Gibson, Lori Jallas, John Boxell, Chris Arentsen, Jake Lane, Debbie Loftus, John Dobbs, Mary Hannagan, Paul Rogers, Tammy Rogers, Pat Fewell.

**Affiliate agreement:** Each year the association must take official action to be the official Illinois affiliate to AQHA. John Boxell made a motion to approve the affiliate agreement. Deb Loftus seconded the motion, which passed.

**2010 AIM plan:** Cheryl LaMaster briefly went over the main points of the plan that had been submitted to AQHA. Copies of the plan had been included in the Board packet.

#### **Old business:**

a. **Meetings in the new year:** Meetings in 2010 will be in Bloomington at Holiday Inn Express in their meeting room. There will be phone-in capabilities. The next meeting will be in April. Discussion was held on eliminating the Fri. meeting prior to the convention, but several people did not want that change.

b. **youth scholarship:** The scholarship has been in the "start-up" stage for several years now but has not seemed to make progress towards being awarded. The application process and the criteria need to be setup and/or clarified. There was some doubt about whether financial paperwork had been transferred to Paul and Tammy Rogers from Kandy Waldie. Joe Glassford made a motion to officially ask Kandy Waldie to cash out and/or get any funds transferred to our current treasurer that may not have yet been transferred, within 30 days. John Boxell seconded the motion. Barb Gibson asked if there were criteria established for applying for scholarship. There do not seem to be, that anyone could identify. Ashlie Day asked about a Pard's scholarship that had been given in the past. Several people thought that scholarship had been discontinued.

#### **New business:**

a. **Discount for new memberships:** Cheryl LaMaster and LeaAnn Koch asked to be able to give a discount to memberships received at the Horse Fair & Equestrian Expo. They were looking for a reduced rate for new members taken during those events. The discount would be a marketing tool offered at special events. John Dobbs made a motion to set up an introductory offer for special events. The motion was amended to allow the groups working with the event to set up any necessary special offer. Ken Freeman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

b. **scholarship information/criteria:** Scholarship information will be placed on the website when we have it. This would pertain to the all scholarships—the youth one and SR Magic Man scholarship. The youth scholarship committee will consist of the IQHA president, the youth advisors and the youth adult directors. The concept will be discussed more at the next meeting in April.

c. **redistricting:** Joe Glassford and Gene Allen are working on the proposal some more.

d. **Yearling reporters:** People were designated as reporters to gather information for the Yearling and to report at the Board meetings.