

ILLINOIS QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Thursday Dec. 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. at Richland Ranch, Auburn, IL. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present. Those present were: Gene Allen, Joe Glassford, Cheryl LaMaster, Brian Jallas, Connie McLaughlin, Kandi Lane, LeaAnn Koch, Nancy Allen, John Boxell, Pat Fewell for Jake Lane, Lowell Osterbur, Johne Dobbs, Tammy Rogers, Karen Boxell. Those present by phone were: Ken Freeman, Barb Gibson, Chris Arentsen, Debbie Loftus, Alyssa Freeman, Paul Rogers and Dylan Easley. The minutes of the July and October meetings were approved. A financial ledger of the general account was presented by Brian Jallas.

Youth issues: At the recent Gordyville shows some concerns were expressed at a youth meeting. Gene had received some phone calls regarding the meeting and some of the topics discussed. Some of the issues involved the youth financial records but there were others that were expressed by Dylan Easley at the meeting. Gene raised some concerns that he saw and some that had been conveyed to him. Tammy Rogers expressed some of her concerns and issues as well. Brian Jallas stated that the financial accounts do balance and reconcile so there is no concern about missing funds. After some discussion, it was decided that the executive board would get together with Dylan Easley and Tammy Rogers to review the financial records prior to the change of youth advisors. Communication and timeliness seemed to be the major concerns. Gene Allen commented that he had checked with AQHA regarding how youth advisors across the country were appointed or elected. He found that in most cases the youth advisors were appointed by the parent organization. He suggested that a change be made so that the IQHA youth advisor would be appointed after meeting with those interested in the position. Dylan Easley commented that if the change was made he would like a mixture of youth and adults to interview potential youth advisors. A process would need to be put in place with clear expectations. Alyssa Freeman suggested that we look at other youth associations for information.

Shows: Joe Glassford presented financial information on the 2011 shows. Overall the shows made a small profit in 2011. The spring shows in Springfield will be managed by Mark Harrell. The futurity will be at Gordyville. There is a possibility of having 5 shows at the futurity by moving one of the shows from the Memorial Day DuQuoin shows. The 2012 futurity will be Sept. 13-16.

Futurity: Connie reported a 2011 payout of over \$39000. She is working on the 2012 stallion auction.

Convention: Kandi Lane and Pat Fewell presented a schedule and cost sheet for the upcoming convention. Joe Glassford made a motion to accept their recommendations. John Boxell seconded the motion, which passed.

Yearling: A financial comparison of the costs for the Yearling from 2006 to 2011 was presented. The calendars have helped with the finances for the publication. Connie McLaughlin has said she will not work with the Yearling past the end of 2011. Discussion was held on what to do with the publication but no final decisions were made. The matter was tabled until the next meeting. The calendars are available for purchase and will be sold at the Gordyville shows and the convention.

AIM plan: Cheryl asked for input into the 2012 AIM plan. In the past, various ideas such as membership drives, novice clinics, etc. have been part of our AIM plans. A possible future clinic topic about how to prepare for a show was suggested.

Novice championship show: Cheryl mentioned the upcoming 2012 novice championship shows and possible state qualification for those shows. Cheryl was asked to bring ideas to the next board meeting.

AQHA director: Due to Johne Dobbs being moved to director at large, there will be an opening for an AQHA director for Illinois in 2012. Cheryl added information to the website asking anyone who was interested in applying to contact IQHA since AQHA would like the affiliate to recommend and support one particular candidate. A Feb. 1st deadline was set by AQHA. Joe Glassford made a motion that IQHA write a letter to AQHA in support of John Boxell, who has applied to our director. Pat Fewell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Old business: We were using a new speaker at the meeting for those people who called into the meeting instead of attending in person. Those on the phone thought the speaker was better than what we had used in the past. Nancy Allen will check into purchasing such a speaker that could be brought to our meetings no matter where they were held. Nancy Allen thanked Alyssa Freeman for representing IQHA well at the Congress. A letter was received from the Horsemen's Council of Illinois thanking the association for sponsoring the Trail Encampment clinic at the 2011 Horse Fair. A note was received from the Illinois Rodeo Queen thanking the recreational riding program and IQHA for donating a bracelet. Cheryl mentioned 2 companies that had contacted our association about programs they represent. There did not seem to be interested in participation in the programs at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by a motion made by Cheryl LaMaster and seconded by Pat Fewell. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl LaMaster, Secretary