

IHJA General Membership Meeting
May 20, 2019
Rinehart Farms
14350 Ditch Road
Westfield, IN 46074

Present: Sarah Burton, President
Liz Obrecht, Secretary/Treasurer
Amy Ochoa, Director
Richard Rinehart, Director
Amy Sandhu, Director
Ingrid Schoenlein, Director
Victoria Willock, Director

Absent: Maggie Boyle, Vice President
Terri Foreman, Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Liz presented the Board with a financial and membership report. As of May 20, 2019, there are 162 members and 131 horses registered. The checking account balance is \$7,268.06, the savings account balance is \$34,115.80, and the Horseman's Assistance Fund balance is \$5,060/55 for a total of \$44,444.41. A breakdown of income and expenses was distributed to the Board. It **was moved, seconded and passed to approve the financial report.**

Points are current as of May 19, 2019. Sarah brought to the board an issue with Judge's hired by the local shows not always being current members. It was suggested that monthly updates be sent to the website for membership data. Another change will be to have show management responsible for membership of judges hired if they are not current members. Liz will email show managers the information on show management responsibility and judges. Liz will also contact a show manager and judge who have not renewed their membership to remind them.

Committees:

Rules: Discussion was held as to areas that the Rules Committee will need to address before the General Membership Meeting. A question about Limit Equitation points counting was suggested to be turned in as a proposed rule change. Limit equitation needs fence height restrictions. The equitation rule regarding multiple riders on the same horse will also need to be addressed.

Banquet: There was no report on the Banquet at this time. The deposit has been paid for the requested 2020 date to the Ritz Charles venue.

Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals: Liz brought the amended contract from Hill Top Stables for the Board to discuss. It was decided that it would be necessary to extend the start date of the contract in order to have enough time to set up everything. All other changes were approved by the Board and Liz will send the amended contract back to Hill Top Stables for their signature.

IHJA has still not heard from the judge for the 2'0" ring. Ingrid was going to contact her again to see if she is going to return the contract.

American Stalls has been contacted regarding the portable stalls to be placed under Barn 1 as well as a tent and stalls for the remaining stalls needed. The cost of the stalls under cover is \$65.00 per stall. The 60 x 60 tent with 24 stalls is \$4,500.00. These costs are complete with delivery, installation and break down. It was suggested that Liz also get a quote for the next size tent to see if the price was reasonable. **It was moved seconded and approved unanimously to hire American Stalls.** **(Update: they are going to provide a 60 x 90 tent with 36 stalls for the same \$4,500.00 price)

Sarah presented the Board with the current class schedule for the Annual and Medal Finals. Suggestions were made for the extra Groundpole and Crosspole classes as well as the TIP classes. The Security that Hill Top uses has doubled their fees. Victoria will talk to Debra about who they use currently for their shows to see if he is interested in working for the Annual. Lindi Holt will also need to be contacted to hire EMT service for the event. Liz will call the hotel to book the rooms for our judges. Victoria is still working on hiring a secretary for the show.

Amy presented the Board with designs for the t-shirts for the volunteers and the Medal Finals shirts. All members approved of these designs.

Hospitality was next on the agenda. Victoria volunteered to contact Square Donuts to see if they would be willing to provide the donuts at a discount for the breakfast each morning. She will also contact a local pizza place with the same request for our first exhibitor party. Liz will contact Schwan's and Fazoli's for the exhibitor party and dessert party. Also discussed were different ideas for the Championship and Reserve Championship prizes as well as the first place prizes and trainer gifts.

Sponsorship ideas were discussed and some sponsorship requests were turned in.

It was decided to have an Annual and Medal Finals Committee meeting on June 17 at 7:00 at Rinehart Farm to update everyone on progress.

An update of the Fall Schooling Show was next. It was decided that there is not enough time this year to plan this show along with working with the other Association on the condition of the rings at the Hoosier Horse Park. This will be tabled for discussion next year.

It was **moved, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.