

**IaHHA Board Meeting Agenda
January 20, 2018
Ramada Inn, Ankeny, IA**

The January meeting of the IaHHA Board of Directors was called to order by President Royal Roland. Present were board members Royal Roland, Mark Holton, Jim Reese, Scott Smith, Brandon Jenson, Mark Mintiun, Tony Paris and Jeff Carey. Absent was Adam Hauser.

MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORTS

Motion to approve minutes by Tony, seconded by Brandon. All ayes.

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Jeff, seconded by Mark M. All ayes.

SOCIAL MEDIA & SECRETARY REPORTS

Discussed banquet, possible change to another venue

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Current officers: Royal-President, Mark H-Vice President, Treasurer-Jim, Secretary-Brandon. Motion made by Scott to keep all officers the same, seconded by Mark M. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Legislative: Jim, Mark H, Royal

Officials/racing/drug testing: Scott, Tony, Mark M, Brandon

Promotions: Jeff, Tony, Brandon

Hall of Fame: Jeff, Tony, Mark M

By-Laws: Mark H, Jim

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislative

The legislative committee would like to hold a legislative day at the capital this spring, date set for March 14.

Discussion to encourage members to attend events with their local politicians.

There was further discussion about the HBPA study. They accepted our contribution.

Officials/Racing/Drug Testing

Discussion and decision to keep the drug policy the same as last year. Royal will get the approved drug list to post to the website.

Discussion about assigning second judges and starters to meets.

Concerns about drivers warming up while horses are going to the gait. Both the judge and the starter have the authority to fine in this situation.

Discussion about nebulizers. USTA rule 21.12 referenced by TC Lane does not address nebulizers. When questioned about this TC Lane reported this is a "perception issue". The board discussed concerns with having judges enforce a rule that doesn't exist. The board read and reviewed USTA rule 21.12 and concluded that there is no restriction of the use of nebulizers in this rule. All horses are subjected to drug testing for any illegal substances.

In 2018 we will buy extra tubes for drug testing so all horses have the same number of tubes drawn.

Promotions

The promo committee will decide on a polo or light jacket for board members.

Motion by Mark H, seconded by Tony to give What Cheer Pick 10 \$500

Motion by Tony, seconded by Scott to give Humboldt \$500 for a Pick 10

All who pay admission will get a Pick 10. Money will be given before the last race meet.

The promo committee will decide on a new logo.

Gretchen with order IaHHA playing cards as hand outs for pick a winner.

Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame Board did not have recent years listed. Judy Roland will update it.

By-Laws

All individuals receiving breeders awards need to be members of the IaHHA. If they are not members when breeders fees are paid, we will deduct a membership and \$100 (total \$115) from their breeders awards.

CONDITION CHANGES

Finals

Iowa-registered finals conditions:

Location

Humboldt County Fairgrounds - Humboldt, IA
Saturday, September 22 & Sunday, September 23
12:00 Post Time

ENTRIES

Must have paid 2018 nominations to Iowa-Registered colt races. All 2YOs and 3YOs that enter for the weekend of Saturday, September 22 and Sunday, September 23 will be split into eight classes:

2YO Filly Pace 2YO Colt Pace 2YO Filly Trot 2YO Colt Trot
3YO Filly Pace 3YO Colt Pace 3YO Filly Trot 3YO Colt Trot

From these eight classes, horses will be divided as follows:

Championship Top five 2018 points earners from entries in each class
Consolation Next five 2018 points earners from entries in each class
B-Class All remaining entries

There must be 4 or more entries to race Consolation and/or B-class races.

Points are calculated using the Iowa-Registered points system.

A tie in points standings will be resolved by the following criteria:

1. Most starts in Iowa in 2018
2. Most earnings in Iowa in 2018
3. Flip a coin

If (1) does not split tie, then (2). If tie remains after (2), then (3).

PURSES

Championship \$12,000
Consolation \$5,000
B-Class \$1,500

STARTING FEES

Championship \$125
Consolation \$75
B-Class \$25

RACE DATES

Saturday, September 22 *Eight Consolation races and B-Class races*

B-Class races will have NO CLAIMER and the rules for splits will be the same as for the overnight races.

Sunday, September 23 *Eight Championship races*

All horses entered in the championship races must report to the detention barn no later than 12:00 noon on Saturday, September 22. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

Motion to adjourn by Royal, seconded by Jeff to approve these condition. All ayes.

Iowa Sires Stakes

Discussion about changing Sires Stakes cap and purse distribution (condition 6). Condition change:
The total purses for Iowa Sired races at each race meet will not exceed \$72,000, All feature races will have equal purses not to exceed \$6,000. NW\$3,000/AE Claiming races will have purses equaling 25% of the feature races, not to exceed \$1,500.

Motion by Jeff, seconded by Mark M. All ayes.

Aged Iowa

Discussion to change carryover (condition 6). Condition change:

If a race cannot be held due to rain or other causes, the amount received from Iowa Harness Horseman's Association for the particular meet or class or a particular division of a class will not be carried forward to future scheduled races. Entry money paid to start and not contested will be refunded.

Motion by Mark M, seconded by Jeff. All ayes.

General conditions

We will allow coggins on file with the USTA to count toward IaHHA racing. Conditions updated.

BUDGET

Motion to approve budget by Jeff, seconded by Brandon. All ayes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Eldon

Thank you to Tony for working with Eldon to complete updates. We will write Eldon Fair Board a check once the work is completed.

Humboldt

There is a new arena built very close to the barns

The hail damage to the roof hasn't been addressed, and the building is uninsurable do to not being fixed

Update on manure pit

Meetings

Future meetings for the IaHHA Board will take place

Sun, Apr 29 1:00pm Ankeny

Sat, Jul 7 after the races

Sun, Sep 23 after the races

Sat, Nov 10 1:00pm Ankeny

Website

Discussion about poor website, difficulty to navigate, difficulty to post new material. Motion by Tony, seconded by Scott to have Danny Houk create a new website, \$1,200 budget. All ayes.

Motion to adjourn by Mark M, seconded by Scott. All ayes.