

Iowa Harness Horse Association  
Board of Director Meeting Minutes  
April 29,2019

The board of directors of the Iowa Harness Horse Association met Sunday April 29 2019 at the Ramada Inn in Ankeny Iowa. Present were Royal Roland, Jim Reese, Tony Paris, Brandon Jenson, Adam Hauser, Scott Smith Jeff Carey and Will Roland.

Minutes of the January 20 2019 meeting were distributed. Moved by Brandon, seconded by Tony to approve. All ayes.

Jim gave the treasurer's report. Moved by Jeff seconded by Tony to approve. All ayes.

Executive Secretary Report- Gretchen is ending her employment as of April 30. She will complete the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter newsletter. She is willing to continue doing the newsletter in the future.

#### Committee Reports

Legislative - The Iowa legislature passed a bill legalizing sports betting in Iowa. It is expected the Governor will sign it. It contains a provision that Prairie Meadows must supplement horse purses with 4% of gross revenue from sports betting thru the track. The association would like to thank Representatives Lee Hein and Mike Sexton and Senator Jack Whitver for their support.

Officials –

The board approved the contract with Truesdail labs for testing services.

Moved by Mark, seconded by Jeff to us the ARCI controlled Therapeutic Medication schedule Version 4.1 as the thresholds for testing for 2019. All ayes

There was a discussion regarding the number of dates Mike is starting vs the number of dates Jimmy is starting. A letter from Mike was passed out.

Moved by Will seconded by Jeff to keep the dates the same as previously set. Ayes Will, Jeff, Royal, Tony, Mark, Adam, Scott  
Nays Brandon, Jim. Motioned passed.

Charting for 2019 was discussed. It was agreed to chart June 1 at Humboldt and all Iowa Registered and Iowa Sired colt races.

It was agreed to increase the compensation for all officials for 2019.

Detention Barn for Championship races. It was decided the racing committee ( Scott, Will, Adam, Mark) will submit proposed rules at the July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Judge Steve Huffman wants to remind all driver that all drivers must use black whips in 2019.

The new drags have arrived at Humboldt and What Cheer.

## Promotions

The circuit book has completed final review and will be sent to the printer this week.

Requests from the Keokuk County Fair for funding for the progressive pick 10 (\$500) and new pick 5 game (\$275) were received. Moved by Jeff seconded by Adam to approve. All ayes.

Newsletter. Gretchen has offered to continue doing the newsletter. Moved by Jeff seconded by Mark to have her create and edit it at \$500 per issue plus \$15 per hour over 25 hours. All ayes

## Hall of Fame Committee

A nomination was received for the Hall of Fame. The vote on nominees will be held in November.

## New business

The duties of the treasurer were discussed. It was agreed to start compensating Jim for being the treasurer with the additional duties of maintaining the membership list, attending the Iowa Association of Fairs meeting, and taking care of the stallion auction administration.

A proposal from Roger & Judy Roland to keep track of the points for Iowa Registered, Iowa Sired, Iowa aged, drivers and seasons leaders for 2019 was received .

An additional proposal from Roger & Judy Roland to handle all the nomination process for 2020 was received.

Moved by Jeff seconded by Scott to accept these proposals. All ayes.

Executive Secretary- The board reviewed the duties of the executive secretary and formulated and offer to a candidate.

Brandon Jenson  
Secretary