

IaHHA Board Meeting

Tentative Minutes

September 28, 2013

The IaHHA Board of Directors met at 3:44 p.m. on September 28, 2013 in Humboldt, Iowa. Board of Directors present: Joel McDanel, Mark Holtan, Brad Kohlwes, Rick Huffman, Scott Smith, Jeff Carey, Jim Reese, and Royal Roland. Also present: Executive Secretary Amy Kohlwes and Nancy Robertson.

The minutes from April 20, 2013 were presented. Moved by Brad Kohlwes, seconded by Joel McDanel to approve. All ayes.

Jim Reese gave the treasurers report. Moved by Mark Holtan, seconded by Jeff Carey to approve. All ayes.

Prairie Meadows Update

Gambling revenues are down 3% from 2012.

Scholarship Committee

The scholarship committee needs to get the application revised and ready to be posted on the website. It was decided to have a December 16, 2013 deadline for all applicants.

Promotions and Awards Committee Update

Promotions and awards were discussed. Calculations need to be tallied of winners of all divisions so trophies can be ordered for first place finishers and plaques for second place winners. Amy Kohlwes will check with Mary Carey to see where awards were previously ordered. It was approved to place an order and have the bill sent to Jim Reese. Craig Swartz is also going to make a CD for each winning costing \$20.00 per CD. There was discussion of altering the Pick 10 next year by adding \$100.00 daily bonus to the last person left in the Pick Ten. If there were more than one that tied, maybe splitting it equally between them, or drawing a name for a winner of the whole thing, tabled til annual meeting. Also adding more memorial races to help bring more or new individuals to the races.

Hall of Fame Nominations Hall of fame nominations need to be submitted to Amy Kohlwes no later than November 22, 2013. Amy Kohlwes will post reminders on Facebook and the website. All nominations need to come with a summary of why that person or horse is worthy of being in the hall of fame.

Summer Fair Review/Proposed Changes It was discussed that the aged purses structure worked well and hoped to have it remain the same for next year. Races will also split in the same manner. There was discussion allowing a claim tag on any aged horse in any aged division that was tabled to next meeting. Charting locations will remain the same next year. The new photo finish camera was discussed and decided that all purchases from here forward need to go thru the Executive Secretary, this is a change in what has been done in the past.

General long term goals and strategy was discussed and since PM Monies may be down next year, the surplus from this year will be held over to help keep the purses the same next year . Also discussed dual entered horses being entered on the same day at different locations such as in Iowa and Minnesota. It was agreed that it is up to the presiding judge to give the individual a stiff fine for failure to honor the declaration. Another item discussed was the rule of a horse distancing in a feature race two races in a row will be assigned the last post position. This item also needs to be published in the condition book. The trainer vs owner split rule was discussed and tabled until annual meeting.

Dan Roland has had discussions with Roy Finn about being our Starter next year as Jim Neuman has retired from the position.

Executive Secretary

Discussed the duties of the Executive Secretary position, and expenses. All IRGC meetings will need to be attended, as well as the annual meeting of county fairs in Des Moines. The motion by Mark Holtan and seconded Joel McDanel that mileage will be paid at \$.40 per mile and reimbursement for overnight motel lodging that is required as part of the job.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Minutes taken by Amy Kohlwes, Executive Secretary