

laHHA Board Meeting

Tentative Conference Call Minutes

September 22nd, 2007

The laHHA Board of Directors met at 1:30 pm on September 22nd, 2007 at Prairie Meadows. Directors present were Royal Roland, Scott Smith, Jim Reese, Bob Kohlwes, Jack Wilkening and Dan Roland. Mark Holtan arrived after the meeting was in progress. Rick Mishler and Larry Jenson were absent.

Minutes for the prior meeting were presented and read. Motion by Bob Kohlwes, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve the minutes as presented. All Ayes.

Jim Reese presented the treasurers report. Motion by Scott Smith, seconded by Bob Kohlwes, to approve the treasurers report as presented. All Ayes.

Jack was elected by the board as their representative to Prairie Meadows regarding track and racing conditions. Jack selected Evan Coblentz and Adam Hauser to assist him on the committee.

The board discussed the laHHA PAC. Contributions were very poor this year. The practice of writing the extra \$50 check for each feature division was discontinued because so few of them were returned. With 2007 being an election year we need to raise at least \$6,000 more for the PAC. Bob Kohlwes, Royal Roland, Gary Hafner and Jodi Siamis were nominated to be on a committee to manage the PAC.

The officials committee reported that Jim Newman is going to be the starter in 2008. We will need to find someone or some people to drive the car.

The board again discussed the need for the judges to take their time in rendering decisions on protests and at a minimum allow all involved parties the opportunity to present their position.

Prairie Meadows Family Day will be October 6th.

Jim Reese presented an idea from Gail Conte for a youth driving league. It would be similar to the grooms races but perhaps with points and more races. In conjunction Dan Roland brought up an idea from Stan Swisher to create a junior board that could meeting and administrate things like the driving league idea as a way to groom younger people for future service on the board. It was agreed to present both ideas to the membership at the annual meeting.

Bob Kohlwes has been working with our non-profit lawyer and hopes to have the application filed in the next six weeks for the new legal entity to receive funds from Prairie Meadows for the fair racing.

Some of the board members will be attending a meeting September 29th with the other breeds to discuss common legislative priorities.

Dan has scheduled a meeting with Jack Ketterer of the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission to discuss what would be required to have pari-mutual racing at the fairs again.

Mark has been meeting with Jill Paxton of the IDOA discussing issues that could be improved by the Department of Agriculture.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.