

IaHHA Annual Membership Meeting
Tentative Minutes
January 14th, 2006

The IaHHA Annual Membership Meeting began at 2:45 pm on January 14th, 2006 at the Best Western Inn in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Members reviewed the tentative minutes to the 2005 annual meeting. **Motion by Merlin Van Otterloo, seconded by Bill Mintun, to approve the minutes as read. All Ayes.**

Jim Reese presented the Treasurer's Report. We have \$42,734.78 retained from 2005. **Motion by Dick McDanel, seconded by Jack Wilkening, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. All Ayes.**

IaHHA lobbyist Matt Eide presented the legislative update and explained to the members why the board had decided to start a legislative PAC. He stated that it was necessary to help the legislators that help us. It is hoped to raise at least \$10,000 to fund the PAC for this year. Two items were auctioned to start the funding. Rick Mishler was the high bidder on a new harness at \$600. Ken Buck was the high bidder for a horse shoe wine rack at \$200. Rick also encouraged each member to contribute a check of \$100 and did so himself. Director Kermit Hinshaw offered a breeding to his stallion Scootin' Along. Paul Liles was the high bidder for the breeding at \$300. Additional funding methods were discussed, including add-ons to entry fees, nomination payments or check-off payments from purse winnings.

Next the board discussed what the cap should be for the colt overnight races that accompany the colt stakes races. Last year these were set at being for NW of \$1,500 in 2005. There had been some discussion on whether to raise the limit. After a lengthy discussion a show of hands from members present showed a majority in favor of raising the cap from \$1,500 to \$2,000 by a vote of 28 to 23. The board will discuss this further at the next board meeting. There is not expected to be any other significant changes from the prior year as the funding will be almost identical.

The next item on the agenda was election of directors. **Scott Smith was re-elected from District 2.** There were two at-large directors with expiring terms. **Larry Jenson was nominated by Adam Hauser, seconded by Pat Bunston. Jeff Carey was nominated by Bill Mintun, seconded by Lyle Bunston. Rick Mishler was nominated by Jack Wilkening, seconded by Gail Conte. Adam Hauser was nominated by Bob Lems, seconded by Ken Buck. Motion by Judy Roland, seconded by Jack Wilkening, that nominations cease. All Ayes. After the ballots were counted, Larry Jenson and Rick Mishler were elected to three year terms.**

The board also discussed the lack of a formal policy on paying officials in case of rainout. In the past some got paid and some did not. **Motion by Dan Roland, seconded by Larry Jenson, that the officials get paid in case of rainout. Rain delays are paid for just that day. All Ayes.**

The members reviewed the proposed Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission rule changes. Changes were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32pm.