

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, Tuesday, August 20, 2024

The Iowa Quarter Horse Association Board of Directors met Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at the Iowa Cattlemen's Association in Ames, Iowa. President Tammi Adix called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

Roll Call: President - Tammi Adix, VP - Mitch Adkins, Secretary - Lindsay Black, Treasurer - Codi Jo Heesch; Directors-at-Large – Jennifer Horton, Sarlynn Heston (phone), Nikki Twogood; District 1 - Becky Grier, District 4 - Brian Hamrick, District 3 - Lori Mennenga, District 4 - Kim Strong, District 5 - Jackie Kincaid, District 7 - Rosalie Carlson; Ex-Officio - Loren Meyer. Director-at-Large Craig Johnson was absent. Districts 6 and 8 are vacant. Guests included Nick Wood, Kelly Birkenholtz and Bill Horton.

President Tammi Adix wished Mateer Strong good luck competing in the Congress Queen competition. She also reminded everyone we are here for one purpose.

Vice President - no comment at this time.

Board Minutes July 16 - Rosalie moved to approve minutes as presented and Codi Jo seconded. Members not voting Brian, Lindsay, Lori, Loren, Codi, Sarlynn. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report - Codi Jo read the report. She will include the CD amounts with the breeders year and ranch accounts so it's more understandable for the general membership. This will help to show restricted funds vs. non-restricted funds. Tammi gave an update from our accountant. Codi Jo has sent bank statements that he has been waiting on. He also needs transaction details on where to allocate purchases mostly on credit card usages.

Ex-Officio - no report.

Social Media – Jennifer will start to do fall futurity sponsor posts. August 25 is the newsletter deadline for the month. Jennifer is typically sticking with 25th of each month for a deadline to get her information for the newsletter.

Old Business:

Mayflower – Final numbers and profit sharing was presented. There is still an outstanding exhibitor tab. Jennifer will contact Tim and Trish to try to get information on who it is. The show profit was not large: \$2347.56

Mitch says we have a benefit because we can still make money on stalls and shavings where a lot of state affiliates can not. Fairgrounds has the new drag and Craig is working to get new footing.

Scenic City - Financially it was a good show. We received a lot of good feedback with exhibitor surveys. Next year there will not be an open show due to how the date falls. Jackie would like to thank everyone who came to help. She named several people. Thank you all for your help. Tammi sent thank you notes.

Fall Classic – Volunteers and budget were discussed. Nick is working on contracts. We need gate people. Jackie handled the hotels. Prizes are ordered. Nick asked for a needs list from the ranch futurity. Nick needs showmanship walkers and awards table personnel. Jackie has several stalls reserved. It is all on Cognito already. Kelly Birkenholtz noted the showbill is wrong again on the TNT website. Tammi asked for contracts to be forwarded to the executive committee. Nick will reconnect with the scribes. Carson Griggs does not have a contract for getting patterns ready for the show. Nick does not have a quote from him. When asked he was told “the same as last year.” Mitch stated the importance of contracts for a paper trail. Rosalie offered to do judges’ food for Thursday. Nick has no plans for food. He will let Rosalie know what day she is needed to bring food. Kim asked about an office up top for the ranch pen. Nick will follow up with Tim. Mitch visited with Tim and Trish today. They are feeling good and confident with things and they are ready to go. Chris Sommers is going to come help with the announcing to help Kurt. Still need an announcer for the longe line in the pavilion. Kelly will be providing tables for awards for the futurity.

Cognito – Ranch/users review – Roles Requested update. Currently Madison, Melanie and Robin use it. Robin can come off since stallion auction is done. They all share the jobs. Loren and Kim will work on specifics of what they do. They create a list of stallion nominations, entries, and membership into a spreadsheet. There was discussion to improve communication with the ranch committee.

AQHA Affiliate Funds - Our first request was approved for \$2,500. We have not received a check yet. We can reapply every quarter.

Ranch Horse Futurity Online Entries - Tim and Trish are accepting online entries. They should go back to the committee to verify membership.

New Business:

Ranch Horse Futurity Financials - Loren gave us nomination numbers for yearlings to 4 year olds. Loren will provide a list of sponsors they have for the ranch futurity. To date there are \$11,000 in cash sponsors. Kelly asked about a cash management reconcile for the sponsors. The board would like Melanie to come to a meeting.

Ranch Horse Stallion Owner – There is a payout in question. Someone nominated a stallion for several years then the stud sold. The question is should she have received stallion owner payouts or should the new owner have been paid instead. Ranch Futurity needs to have some clarification on who gets the stallion payout by stud owner or stallion nominator. For future reference any issues such as this need to be presented to the board and not resolved by the committee.

Breeders Futurity/Stallion Auction 2025 Rules - Kelly presented IQHA Breeders Futurity Rules for 2025. Brian moved to strike (only 1 class per year will be allowed) bottom of page 2 under classes offered. Lindsay seconded. Rosalie opposed, not voting Mitch and Jennifer. Motion passed. Lindsay moved to remove the stallion owner’s specific mare nomination but they must still pay a mare nomination fee by December 1 to streamline it the same as mare

owners. Kim seconded. Voting in favor were Lindsay, Sarlynn, Kim, Jackie, Becki, Lori. Opposed were Jennifer, Rosalie, Brian and Loren. Not voting were Mitch, Codi, Nikki. Motion passed.

Lindsay made a motion to change Super Horse requirement B to yearling halter instead of yearling longe line. This motion died for lack of a second.

Brian moved to approve Breeders Futurity forms with changes. Brian, Nikki, Loren, Codi, Kim, Lori, Rosalie voted in favor. Lindsay opposed. Jennifer, Jackie, Becki, Mitch, Sarlynn did not vote. Forms were approved.

Brian asked to have access to Cognito for breeders stallion forms.

Breeders Incentive Closing Account – moving to IQHA Account – for Stake Class Payouts: Jennifer made motion to close this account. Rosalie seconded. With Brian not voting all were in favor, motion passed.

AQHA Professional Horsemen MVP - nominations were made for Spencer Orr, Shannon Walker, John Konecne and Paul Adix. Rosalie made a motion to go into closed session for the voting, seconded by Jennifer. Sarlynn was not included on the phone. Board went into closed session at 9:44 pm and came out of closed session at 9:47 pm. Sarlynn was reconnected by phone.

Denison update - We can have the same weekend but must combine the shows. There was a question if we would lose two Mayflower show numbers if we do that. Discussion was had on many options for the show. The board is not receptive to moving it to Lincoln, NE. Rosalie, Lindsay, and Codi Jo will form a Denison committee and get to planning.

National Directors Reports - Bill had nothing to report. Jennifer updated us for AQHA affiliate qualifying for AQHA world show for exhibitors must have at least 0.5pt in the class and the next 5 out of national qualifying get invited to the world show. In 2025 AQHA will require these qualifiers to work through their affiliate.

District Reports - (1) Becky reported their queens did great at the fair. (2) Brian reported they had a great Hawkeye Classic. He gave a huge thank you to the volunteers. He specifically thanked Nick Wood and Bill Horton. Next year the show will move to the end of August with a different format to shorten the days. (3) Lori stated they had a senior queen at the fair and she did a great job. They will be having a district meeting next week. Nothing else to report. (4) Kim spoke about the clinic this Saturday on ranch riding and ranch trail. They gave out halters at county fairs. Fairs were allowed to delegate how the halters were awarded. (5) Jackie stated both queens made the finals at the fair. They are looking to do calendars and sell them. She would like to get them printed after Thanksgiving and take advantage of black Friday sales. (7) Rosalie had no report.

Directors at Large Reports – Jennifer said Bar H Photography will be photographing fall futurity with a backdrop for award photos and arena photos. Sarlynn has been out talking to people about joining. The main feedback she is getting is the cost of the shows is deterring

people away. She feels in these very economically difficult times it is hard to gain new people. Nikki had no report.

Youth - Jennifer reported we had a World Champion in level 3 western riding on an Iowa-bred horse. Results will be in the newsletter. NYATT entries are being made this week

Amateur - Brena confirmed three judges for Snowflake are confirmed. Flock the stalls at Fall Classic show will be their fundraiser.

Lindsay moved to adjourn the meeting, Codi Jo seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.