AMHA Board of Directors Meeting - Minutes

12/17/24 - Zoom - 7:00pm

Call to Order -

President Sheryl Peterson

Present: S. Peterson, J. Bridges, K. Slobody, S. Crowe, D. Terry, D. Lavery, B. Faulkner, J. Mullen, A. Tarap, H. Elder, S. Hester, B. Kane, S. Hutchcraft, C. Severson

Absent: J. Good, G. Baynham

Approval of Minutes -

A. Tarap Motioned to Accept the Meeting Minutes from 11.16.24, S. Hutchcraft Seconded, No objection

President's Report - S. Peterson

Expressing that everything was going well. Board is working on going through the rulebook to identify any discrepancies. The Board has formed 4 work groups to send notes to committees on findings of potential discrepancies in the rulebook. 2 Bids were submitted for the World Show Manager, Tracey Slagle and Laura Mullen. Tracey Slagle withdrew her bid due to personal matters. Laura Mullen was awarded the World Show Manager bid for the years 2025 & 2026. Will Rogers renovations was discussed with more information to come at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report - A. Tarap

Annual meeting had a BIG Turn out. With money from the live auction benefiting the amateur committee. World Show invoices are still being worked on. Renewals are coming up due, with a big push to get them in by the end of the year. Office expenses are down year over year. Insurance premium rate increased. 2024 over all was a challenging year financially due to many varying reasons, that included a major audit and extensive building repairs.

Office Report - V. Shingledecker

Discussed that the office is working on the Will Rogers Invoice. So far it has been found that AMHA was overcharged by about 5k. Will Rogers is revising the invoice. Accounting is on 11.25, with Registration on 11.19. Major Slow down of office work is expected due to the Holidays and Vacations being planned. Office to close early on 12.23, Closed on 12.24 & 12.25. Closed Early on 12.31, and closed on 1.1.

Office has two more shows to enter for Honor Roll. World Show Discrepancies slowing down the process. Judges and Steward Renewal Notices have gone out, as well as tests. Judges and Stewards tests are about 50% back, waiting on remainder to be returned.

The Auto Renewals for Memberships are working out well! Office is working on updating some cards on file as needed for membership. Prefix & Suffix updates also being worked on on the website.

A planned visit to Will Rogers Facility to review renovations and how it will affect the world show.

Hub/Committee - H. Elder

Committees have been updated on the website.

Unfinished Business - Deferred Items from the Annual Meeting

Employee Manual – A. Tarap has consulted an HR Professional. Edit Suggestions have been made. Ailene working on this with the office.

Standing Rules - H. Elder presented the following standing rules *noted below*

STANDING RULE FINANCE

AMHA Disciplinary Action Fines

The Hearing Board Ruling assessing Penalties as outlined in Rules & Regulations Penalties 170 Right to Take Disciplinary Action.

The Hearing Board Chairman will report the finding of the Disciplinary Action to the AMHA Operation Manager and the Treasurer stating the amount of the fine and the length of suspension. The Treasurer will create an entry into the AMHA accounting system stating the name of the member and the length of the suspension. The disciplined member will be notified by AMHA Operation Manager at the end of the suspension that the fine is due in full. Failure to pay the fine within 30 days will be assessed by AMHA Operation Manager a late fee every billing period until the fine is paid in full.

12/17/2024 BOD Approved

STANDING RULE AMHA HEARING PROCEDURES

Rules & Regulations 162 HEARING PROCEDURES a person who has been given notice of a Hearing will be afforded the opportunity to appear in person VIA Virtual meeting (with counsel if desired) to present evidence in his behalf and refute evidence offered against him.

The AMHA has been using virtual meetings since 2022. The rule change was submitted at the Annual Meeting and will go into effect when the membership approvals.

12/17/2024 BOD Approved - no objections

New Business -

Mini Hours Program - V. Shingledecker

Mini Hours Program could use some work. Soliciting for Volunteers – this is not a committee. Individual volunteers will work with Martha in the office to promote the program. Sherry Crowe to talk to committees to pass along to membership who want to become more involved.

Show Rules - S. Crowe

Revised Standing Rules that were not presented at the previous meeting.

AM-010-6C

Motion by J. Bridges to accept changes to edit standing rule to include "And Horse", H. Elder Seconded

No objections - Motion Passed

AM-010-A-6-a S-82

Motion by J. Bridges to accept changes to edit standing rule to include "And Horse" and "or government issued id" C. Severson Seconded

No Objections - Motion Passed

YD-010-a S-77

Motion by S. Hutchcraft to Approve changes to edit standing rule to include "and horse" and "or government issued ID", A. Tarap seconded

Motion Failed to accept change

GR-050-C

There is only 1 Measurement allowed on Protest – Renumber other clarifications

Motion by C. Severson, Seconded by J. Mullen to add as a standing rule for 2025

Motion Passed

Regional and World Show - L. Mullen

Laura Mullen discussed putting classes in moratorium, 30" and Under Driving Divisions – Country, Single Pleasure, & Classic.

J.Bridges Motioned to Place 30" Under Driving Classes into Moratorium, A. Tarap Seconded

Majority In Favor- Motion Passed

Laura also suggested combining 3 & 4 Year Old Driving Classes at the World Show

A.Tarap Motioned to Combined 3 & 4 Year Old Driving Classes, S. Hutchcraft Seconded

Motion withdrew after discussion

K. Slobody Motioned to only combine the 3 & 4 Year Old Single Pleasure Class at the World Show

A. Tarap Seconded

Majority in Favor - Motion Passed

Golden Obstacle out of Moratorium for the World Show – Sponsorship of Class and Honor Roll Buckle for 5 Years

A.Tarap Motioned, C. Serverson Seconded

Majority in Favor – Motion Passed

Laura Mullen Covered Regional Shows and location updates. Central Regional will be moving due to cost. More information will be coming out soon as Laura works on items.

Motion to move to closed session by B.Kane, A. Tarap Seconded.

General Meeting Adjourned at 8:41pm