

Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
November 14, 2020 10:00 am  
**Conference Call: 712-775-7031**  
**Meeting Code: 711 183 7081**

Roll Call: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20  
Executive Board: Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> VC, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Secretary, Treasurer, Rules, State Show  
\*Not present

Introductions:

Call to the Public: None

### Agenda

Changes: Add under new business meeting schedule for 2021 and  
Regional reorganization  
Motion to Approve 5  
Second 3  
**Pass/ Fail**

Amend 1 and 3 Pass

### Minutes

Changes: None  
Motion to Approve 5  
Second 3  
**Pass/Fail**

### Treasurer's Report

Discussion: Report was sent out to everyone via email. Current Assets total \$93,968.00. The treasurer went over the balances of the regional accounts and profit and loss schedules. The Regional accounts will be taken back to \$5,000.00 so if you still have outstanding bills, please let the treasurer know so she can make sure there is enough money in the account. Registration for Junior was 8 districts for a total of 246 riders. HS had 20 districts and 1050 riders which was about 120 riders less than 2019.

Motion to Approve 1  
Second 15  
**Pass/Fail**

Old Business:

A. District 18: This is from our December 2019 meeting where it was discussed to combine D18 with D20 due to lacking numbers. D18 was given some goals and it was motioned to at that meeting to give D18 a goal of 25 riders. The DC for D18 reports that even without a junior season she was able to reach her goal of 25 riders and that the district is moving in the right direction and that there is room to grow. She feels that an alternate remedy is to look at the districts and redraw mapping to be equal. If redrawing of district lines, then the Board of Directors as a whole needs to be united in the decision. If the Board of Directors wish to move forward, there is the potential to lose riders so there needs to be a clear process to move forward.

#### New Business:

##### A. Regional and States recap:

- a. Region A: There was an incident in the region where a horse passed during competition. This caused significant issues with competition that needed to be resolved. Competition resumed the next day and it went as well as could be expected. The Chair would like to encourage all DCs to have a worst-case scenario plan for issues such as these. It was a rough year with a few injuries in addition to the horse issue. The region is in discussion with the fairgrounds where the region is held and there is a possibility of the use of two covered arenas which will assist with weather issues that seems to plague that area.
- b. Region B: This year the region split by division and were held in Bellevue and Fowlerville. Fowlerville, due to weather, could not be used. On Saturday we made temporary arenas for certain classes and then the entire show was moved to Milford. No major issues with injuries. Bellevue went uneventful and smoothly.
- c. Region C: There were no major issues, and everything ran smoothly. They are working on some scheduling changes for the 2021 regional.
- d. Region D: Everything went well. There were a couple of injuries that caused some delays. The most significant was a rider injury in two-man. Weather was present and not an issue.
- e. Region E: The regional went well. Had a lot of complaints during the meet but nothing formal. There was a horse issue that delayed competition. Overall, everything went well. The use of the indoor helped with moving the show smoothly.
- f. State Championships: The Executive board did have three instances with positive Covid cases, which also involved a four person the EMT. The state show went well overall and ran very

smoothly. The new format allowed for the meet to move quicker than in past years.

- B. February Winter Meeting: Due to the increase in Covid regulations it is looking more like the 2021 winter meeting will have to be held virtually. The executive board is looking at using breakout rooms through Zoom to facilitate the voting. There will be other processes put into place to allow those who want to speak on the rule change. The use of Zoom for this process will require us to change our membership with an increased cost. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair is investigating exactly what will be required.
- C. Meeting Schedule for 2021: Until further it appears we will be meeting via Zoom.

**Motion: All meetings for 2021 will be via Zoom with the exception of the registration meeting and the Winter meeting. Additionally the meetings for 2021 will be moved to Wednesday nights.**

Motion to Approve 12

Second 15

**Pass/Fail**

**D9 abstain**

- D. Regional Reorganization: The 2<sup>nd</sup> VC has been approached by several DCs to review whether we can reorganize the Regions. She will bring some proposals for our December meeting. If there are any suggestions for reorganizing the regions contact the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair.
- E. 2020 Clean up of trophies and pins, bars and plaques: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair has taken over the trophies. Anyone who is missing items from the 2020 season, please get with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair so she can coordinate with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair in order to get those out. The new committee for Awards should be meeting in December to start the ordering process for the 2021 awards.

#### Committee Reports:

**State Show:** Recap was given earlier in the meeting.

**Rules:** Nothing to report

**Regional:** Recap was given earlier in the meeting.

**Membership:** Nothing to report

**Historian:** Nothing to report

**Judges:** Nothing to report

**Pattern:** Nothing to report

**Awards:** Nothing to report

**Finance:** The committee discussed the 2021 budget, which will be provided at the February winter meeting. There was discussion regarding an online process for reporting judges wages from the districts. They discussed starting a policy for refunds for riders and

what that would look like. There was also a discussion on what it would look like if a district needed assistance from the Sta

**Nominations:** Nomination for Susan Bannister for secretary. Bob Clogg would like to run for 1<sup>st</sup> VC

**Scholarship:** Brian from D19 was the chair for this group and he will not be proceeding with MIHA for the next year. We are grateful for everything that Brian has provided to our organization and he will be missed. There are 56 scholarship applications being evaluated at this time

**Tracker Program:** Bill has been handling our issues easily. The DCs would like some training on the program before the 2021 season.

**Promotional:** The committee will be working to get some sponsors for the coming year. If anyone knows of some businesses that would like to donate get with the committee. There are some other promotional items such as signs and brochures that are in the works. This committee has some openings so if you are interested contact the Executive Board. MHC is having weekly coffee hours virtually currently. During this time, they highlight some of their vendors. It was suggested to contact MHC and look at being one of their highlights.

**Logo:** Nothing to report

**National Competition:** The Chair has reached out to Ohio to see if they are interested. Unfortunately, with Covid it has caused some issues in availability in time to organize this. We have been in contact with other states to keep in touch.

#### District Reports:

1. Covid made this year difficult. Thank you to MIHA for keeping going despite this. There were no serious injuries during our meets and overall the year went well. Cost did not change for 2020 but will probably need to be reevaluated for 2021. Election has not been held yet. She will be having a Zoom meeting for the district annual meeting.
2. Not present
3. Finished up a good year. The format of the shows changed this year which went well. Numbers were us this year and fees stayed the same for 2020. There was a State Champion from our district, which is great. The annual banquet was held the weekend after States. The election was held during the banquet.
4. There was a decrease in numbers for Juniors this year due to moving meets. The high school numbers were also down but did go well. Their annual banquet was cancelled due to Covid. She will be holding a Zoom meeting for elections the beginning of December.

5. Meets went well this year. They were down on riders; however, she was able to meet her budget this year. Their annual banquet will be a Zoom meeting in the next month or so.
6. Everything went well this year. Numbers were slightly down for 2021. Dates have been reserved at the Midland fairgrounds for 2021. Working on how to get the awards to the teams because the banquet has been canceled.
7. Election has not been held yet but expected to be the first of December. The 2020 meets were held and went well. They were a lot more work because of the Covid restrictions. Fees did go up for 2020. Dates for 2021 have been discussed.
8. Not present
9. Had a good year considering Covid regulations. The numbers in the district were up. Dates for 2021 are set and planning to move forward on the dates. Looking at a few additional shows next years as fundraisers. Elections will be held in the next couple of weeks via Zoom.
10. The district numbers were down due to bigger schools not participating. This caused a slight issue financially, but they were able to meet their budget. The annual meeting has been held along with the election.
11. Our meets went well. We did find another location which will be used for junior show this year if Shiawassee doesn't open. Fees were raised slightly for 2020. Our election was held at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meet. Will be meeting in December to discuss dates for 2021 and alternate locations.
12. Everything went well. We were able to hold elections via Zoom. The 2021 meet dates have been scheduled and paid for. Our banquet will be a "drive through" banquet. Elections resulted in the elimination of the treasurer and the addition of a second vice chair. We gave out \$600.00 in scholarship for the district.
13. The district did not have any junior shows. The banquet is scheduled for December 4, 2020. It is in person but will be switched to Zoom if necessary. Elections will be held at that time. The 2021 dates are waiting on some conflicts to be resolved.
14. The district was down approximately 10 riders and conflicts with other shows. The season went very well and they adhered to Covid regulations as best as possible. The banquet was scheduled, however it will be cancelled and will either not be held or moved to the Spring. The elections will be held via Zoom in the near future.
15. The junior rider numbers are down but the High school was up. They gave away 2 scholarships in their district. The meets went well. Elections will be held in two weeks.

16. The district meets went well and numbers stayed steady. The lost horse at Regionals came from this district and the kind response from other districts, the community, and teams was wonderful. The banquet this year was a semi outdoor ice cream social. The had 1 scholarship given from the district. Elections were held during the banquet.
17. The meets went well. Banquet has been canceled due to Covid. Elections will be held when they pick up their awards.
18. No report
19. Not present
20. Not present

Correspondence: None

Call to the Public: None

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion 12

Second 3

**Pass/Fail**

Adjourned at 12:15 pm