

05/09/2012

Call to Order: 6:22pm

Roll Call: Districts Present – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19
Executive Board – Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Secretary, Rules
Chair, State Show Chair

Introductions: None

Call to the Public:
None

Agenda:

Motion to approve
District 1 – Motions
District 8 – Seconds
Passed

Minutes:

Motion to accept
District 1 – Motions
District 17 – Seconds

Treasurer's Report:

No Report
District 9 – What is happening with check handling in the treasurer's absence?
2nd Vice Chair – Deposits made tomorrow and checks sent out by the treasurer
tomorrow. Only ones in danger are ones having meets this weekend.

Old Business:

A. Junior Registration
1st Vice Chair – Bars are in the mail. He does not have them yet. Pins were
missed and ordered late. The person who makes them plans to have them by
the 14th.
Chair – The exec board is working on writing down what is ordered and
when.

New Business:

A. Rules and Rules SOP
Rules Chair – Sent the rule changes like last year to the printer. The printer
was upset it was in Word format. He suggested maybe just doing it in Word.
When we get it back it will be in Word format. Another thing which took
time was illustrations which had to be changed due to amendments at the
annual meeting and measurements.
Chair – The rulebook final draft is on the web.
Rules Chair – Sent the treasurer the invoice for the rulebook payment.

Rules SOP:
Secretary – Asked if everyone received a copy of the SOP.

District 9 – there are some teams with rules under varsity sports. Do you want those?

District 16 – We need to know there are some with them.

1st Vice Chair – maybe something to indicate they are a varsity sport.

District 5 – Rules voted on by team membership isn't allowed on some teams.

District 14 – Do your varsity teams have any other special rules like having to own a horse? She can live with the SOP but as a varsity coach she based her rules off the school. If you have one which is not a varsity sport, it should be at the coach's discretion whether there is a vote.

District 9 – Asks what is driving the SOP

Secretary – Explains issues with team cutting and rules not following the MIHA rulebook.

District 4 – This is a good way to see what is out there.

District 18 – Likes the concept. Take out “All teams” sentence.

District 5 – Leave team vote but make adjustments to it.

District 9 – Can't support it as written, but will if there is varsity sport verbiage.

District 16 – No problem with taking member vote out, but we are looking for big infractions.

District 4 – the way it is setup the membership committee is going over them and making recommendations.

District 7 – Can't imagine going to a parent meeting and having them vote on the rules. They follow what is handed down.

Chair – The way he reads it the kids get to vote each year on the rules.

District 5 – Doesn't mind leaving the vote

District 4 – Taking out verbiage for the vote, but including wording for varsity sports.

District 18 – Doesn't feel changes suggested via email by District 11 made the SOP any easier to read.

District 16 – Is this deep enough? Implement this but what if the problem comes around in one month?

20120509-002 Motion to accept the SOP minus paragraph 3.

Motion – District 9

Second – District 16

Passed (Abstain D2)

B. Rule – Article XII Riders and Mounts, E-1 Page 19 in the Green Book
The papers people had to vote from were not highlighted indicating the change which went in to the rulebook. What do we want to do?

District 4 – What the Chelsea coach was upset about is where it was located and not highlighted. Feels it shouldn't be in effect now.

District 9 – He read it and knew it wasn't highlighted.

District 14 – We discussed it and knew it was going to be a rule change.

District 4 – His coaches looked at it as it was presented improperly.

District 14 – They should know and read the rulebook. The rule should stand as it was there.

20120509-001 Motion to strike Article XII E-1 from the rulebook.

Motion – District 4

Second – District 3

Motion Failed (Yes-6, No-7, Abstain-2)

C. Accusations Against Coaches

Chair – Is there anything to be done if a parent accuses a coach? He did some research and found nearly nothing on a legal standpoint.

District 4 – Has a claim of misappropriated funds which was deemed unfounded.

District 9 – All DCs who have been here have had it. You just deal with it.

District 18 – It's become that way. Consistency is the key.

District 9 – There really is nothing to be done.

District 14 – Make sure your coaches know to watch everything they do.

Chair – District 8 had an issue last year and a complaint was filed. Our previous chair did not investigate. The coach did step aside and let the assistants run the junior team. Now the parents want to refile the complaint.

District 8 – Still doesn't know who the coaches are. She did not receive word the junior team was holding practice. She knew through the grapevine.

District 9 – Is this a team which will move on?

District 7 – Is it a personality conflict?

District 8 – It's a complaint filed which she knows did not happen. Makes it clear she is not a friend of the current senior coach but a business acquaintance. She is upset as the things were never said. The parent went over her head.

Rules Chair – Did send them back to the District 8 DC.

District 4 – Another coach is going to get blasted.

District 8 – Junior parents want different coaches.

District 3 – A team can't vote the coach off, correct?

Chair – They say last year it wasn't handled properly and they are right.

District 8 – Amber stepped aside last year and let others coach the juniors.

Chair – The parents stated they have written statements. The issues is it wasn't handled properly and the complaint never investigated. The parents want it the same as last year. The senior coach wants to step back in. The parents want the complaint from last year handled.

District 4 – You can't go back two years to the original complaint. If they wanted to write a new one it will have to be against the executive board for not following the complaint through. Stand behind the coach.

Rules Chair – You had 2 people who coached the team successfully last year. Why are they not all working together?

District 8 – The coach wants to work with the assistants. The parents don't want her to.

Rules Chair – Why haven't they met?

District 8 – All they will do is argue.

District 3 – If there is no official complaint we shouldn't even talk about this.

District 4 – Stop it now.

District 3 – If they want, file a complaint.

Chair – The people claim they did talk to district 8's DC.

District 8 – One person did but was told to send an email to the DC by the DC.

Chair – We are still willing to meet with the group.

District 9 – MIHA did handle the complaint. Right or wrong, you should take the offer of help from the executive board and a meeting may be the best way.

Chair – We are already trying to work on a solution.

Rules chair – The DC has to appear neutral.

District 3 – At this point it seems they are making accusations, there is no complaint.

Chair – There is some misunderstanding and discrepancies. He talked to the previous chair. Chris stated Lisa was the coach.

District 16 – It's still District 8's district. Maybe a notice to the parents that the coach is still the coach.

Secretary – The previous chair made the decision to put Lisa as junior coach. The complaint was handled whether correctly or incorrectly. The current chair spoke to the previous chair and received verification of such.

D. Minutes

Discussion about meeting minutes and get them closer to the meeting they pertain to.

Chair – There were three additional people on the distribution list. They were removed.

Chair – After the February meeting Larry Flanary wasn't sure he wanted to continue being involved with MIHA. He has since called and is still interested in working on the National competition.

District 4 – Who you put there is up to you.

District 16 – After the state membership meeting he expressed interest in heading the development of a national organization.

District 7 – On the meeting minutes her email address is wrong.

Chair – Is asking if the board of directors wishes Larry Flanary to continue to head the forming of a national competition.

20120509-003 Motion to remove Larry Flanary from the national competition chair position and not be appointed to any committees.

Motion – District 9

Second - District 4

Passed (Yes – 7, No – 0, Abstain – 9)

E. Expos

District 5 – Received no complaints, only questions and had a lot of people who didn't know anything about MIHA.

The mockup for SaddleUp is being created. She feels we should do more expos to keep our name out there.

Information booths don't get much traffic. Maybe we could do something to draw attention.

Rules Chair – Having something to sell helps.

District 9 – 50/50 drawing

Chair – Thanks District 5 for all her efforts on PR.

F. State Meet

Chair – Talked with Tom in Midland. There is no restrictions on vendors. Make sure the vendors are paying a camping fee.

District 18 – That is part of the \$250.

District 9 – Is it your intent to contact previous vendors and offer to them first?

Chair – Crestview could handle the shavings.

District 18 – General pricing for 1000 bales on pickup or delivery.

Chair – Make sure there isn't an agreement with McCrumb on the distributor of their shavings in that area.

District 18 – Is planning to mail a proposal to the vendors for shavings.

District 9 – Why are we tied to one brand or distributor?

District 18 – Does the chair want to contact the fairgrounds?

District 18 – Same with the T-Shirt vendors

District 3 – Would like to see the region back on the shirts.

Committees

State Show Committee – State Show Chair Figured he was missing one judges contract. Opened up communication with different hotels. Cut almost \$3000 on judges. The meal at Logan's will be eliminated.

1st Vice Chair – Picked up the state show items from our previous chair and made an inventory list.

2nd Vice Chair – Don't bring the display cases.

Rules Committee – Covered – Need to think about splitting of teams but had 2 or 3 calls on splitting junior teams. As a coach you put green riders in classes they are comfortable with.

Junior Committee – 1st Vice Chair – Coop requests are being received.

720 riders, last year 769. Waiting on 2 districts. A-13, B-46, C-55, D-44

Regional Committee – No Report

Membership – Covered

Historian – No Report

Judges Committee – Covered

Patterns – Sent junior patterns out.

Awards Committee – Any other bids or prices?

District 14 – Questions the reserve trophies being paid for by the district.

Awards committee will order and the districts will pay the state. How about getting extras if they don't have 2 teams in a division?

Finance – Can get back numbers for free if they are wanted, 1 set. She can ask if she can get 2 sets.

District 9 – Thinks state show is too prestigious to cut type of back numbers we get. It's a \$1200 invoice but other cost cutting measures are being made. Some of those teams will never move on.

District 17 – Agrees with district 9, but suggests to take off the year.

District 15 – Takes left overs and uses them for junior.

District 1 – Agrees with taking the year off.

***2nd Vice Chair will call to take year off the back plaque. ***

Nominations – Needs a nomination for Treasurer. Ginny Deisler is interested to a point. She does not want to give up coaching but will take over accounting for the rest of the year.
Executive Board appoints Virginia Deisler to MIHA treasurer for the remainder of the current term.

Scholarship– No Report

Logo – No Report

Tracker Program – Working on changes from the list compiled. Emailed the 2nd Vice Chair for a meeting to go over placings in the application.

National Competition Committee – No Report

District Reports:

1. No Report.
2. Meet next week
3. Meet this week
4. OK
5. Good, combined with D19
6. Meet went well, had 3 A teams
7. Good
8. Covered
9. Had 1st fundraising show, Sunday 1st meet
10. OK
11. Not Present.
12. Not Present.
13. Not Present
14. May 20 meet, lost a couple teams due to lack of a coach
15. Coach issue with 2 coaches wanting to coach the same team.
16. May 19 meet, 3 speed shows this summer
17. Good
18. Add 15 riders and 20 horses
19. Good
20. Not Present.

Correspondence: Liability insurance. You can do a fun show. Are we covered for parades? No

DCs and coaches have liability for MIHA business.

Question on handicap riders and more insurance. Insurance agent knew nothing about it.
Special needs instructors have to carry more.

Call to the Public: None

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Adjourned 8:44 pm

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Tasks:

2nd Vice Chair will call to take year off the back plaqueette.

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