

06/13/2012

Call to Order: 6:15pm

DCs please contact your membership and remind them the logo contest deadline is extended to July 10th.

Roll Call: Districts Present – 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20
Executive Board – Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Secretary

Introductions: Laura Lee Zook, Lisa Crowder

Call to the Public:
None

Agenda:
Motion to approve with changes
District 18 – Motions
District 17 – Seconds
Passed

Minutes:
Motion to accept with changes
District 17 – Motions
District 4 – Seconds

Treasurer’s Report:

No Report

Treasurer - 2nd Vice Chair brought everything from previous treasurer and she did receive Quickbooks and was able to download to her version of Quickbooks. She does not have a laptop and will be printing a report off for everyone next month and will answer questions next month or will email answers

District 4 - Could they be sent out early?

Treasurer - 2nd Vice Chair and Treasurer went through a quick review of disbursements of 2011 and are looking for a receipt of every check written. She will be requiring a receipt for everything.

1st Vice Chair – Payments made this year? He hands over a couple invoices for pins and bars. We need to look at how many are ordered each year. He had no knowledge of what was ordered and just ordered what was done last year. He has many left over at \$2 per item.

District 3 – In past years we’ve had that many left over?

District 4 – No, in the past he wanted to take an estimate and order on that. We haven’t had that many left over.

We need to get with the DCs and see if they are ordering what they’ve ordered in the past.

2nd Vice Chair – That is far away from 600. Wondered if when the phone call was made if he ordered what the high school orders? Maybe he was looking at regionals.

District 4 – Remember. We have to double up for regionals this year.

Chair – Remember we are working through what was done in the past.

District 4 – Likes the fact we are preordering.

District 3 – What is the turn-around time on ordering?

District 4 – What about the bars and stuff?

1st Vice Chair – The previous treasurer ordered the bars and patches.

District 4 – Let's get the number and find the turn-around time on them. If it's three weeks we could get a better estimate.

District 3 – Does anyone need them before this June meeting?

Chair – D11

District 17 – They do.

District 18 – Is there anything we can do to get rid of them? Discount them?

1st Vice Chair – He is going to get a contact call 8 weeks prior to needing to order as a reminder.

District 2 – 900 would be an adequate number for next year.

District 3 – If we were short would it gouge us to order a small order after the fact?

District 17 – The more you order the cheaper they are.

Chair – The only reason it was mentioned is if the bill was seen there was a reason.

District 4 – It's a new board and they are gathering information..

Old Business:

A. Saw Dust Quotes For State Meet

District 18 – Went through a better exercise this year. He sent out a request for proposals. JP Mc Crumb \$3.70 Wayne Davis \$3.95 and Tractor Supply was over \$5. Mc Crumb is better compressed. \$3663 we could earn \$2200 if we unload them. We earned nothing or lost money. We commit to a 990 bag load and if we need more we order or have a sale at the end and do it ourselves.

District 17 – Don't you have to have them prepay?

2nd Vice Chair – We paid for it at the end of the show.

District 17 – I mean the riders.

Chair – Yes they do.

District 18 – We will know a few days in advance? We can order more at that time if needed.

District 3 – How many last year?

Treasurer – 884

District 3 – Was that enough?

Chair – If we sell them at cost we are not losing anything.

District 3 – What happened with the left over last year?

2nd Vice Chair – They were sold at the end of the show at a discounted rate.

District 18 – Do we want to make a decision now?

Chair – I don't think we need to make a motion. It's the show committee's job.

District 18 – Cleaned up the vendor maps and they can pay the same money for the same spots. He's contacted the indoor folks. Many wanted to stay where they were. He's had a couple change. The only contact made has been with the prior vendors.

District 3 – Is Rick's still going?

District 18 – Yes they are taking the same area. He didn't want to throw everything out at once. She is very willing to make some sort of donation, like a sportsmanship award or something like that.

District 3 – She donates a bucket of stuff or halters at their show. Maybe create an award or something?

Chair – We did get a formal complaint from Chippewa Hills in District 8. The executive board is going tomorrow night to speak with them.

District 8 – Am I not going?

Chair – You can go. 7pm at their practice meeting, . Just today the spot was setup.

District 3 – Inquires about the complaint.

Chair – It was under purpose and goals about how the coach was acting and the way the team is run and handles the kids. Complaint filed the year before was not handled correctly and they re-filed the complaint with more additions.

District 4 – Would like to say we need to start standing behind our coaches. The coach is the coach. He wants us to know that if it is because they aren't happy with something like a practice location, he expects the executive board to stand behind the coach.

New Business:

A. Rules and Rules SOP

2nd Vice Chair - After meeting with the previous treasurer, he acquired financial records from 1992 to present and other things. As an organization it is unreasonable to have one person store stuff for the state organization. It should be held in one location. The state show stuff is in Dennis's barn. It would be much easier to pass a key than these boxes.

He wants to make a proposal to get a storage unit, the smallest unit to store the stuff and keys to the executive board. The estimated cost is about \$50 per month, give or take a few dollars.

District 18 – How much is paper products and how much is stuff, stuff?

2nd Vice Chair – Is not sure but for financial you have to have a hard copy for 7 years but over that can be shredded.

District 18 – But some of this is house cleaning.

2nd Vice Chair – The shredding would eliminate a lot but there is still more stuff.

District 4 – In talking earlier, he would like us to invest in a trailer. In three years the storage unit will cost us more than a trailer.

Chair – Financial documents can't just keep it in a trailer.

2nd Vice Chair – Then who is going to park the trailer?

Chair – The trailer idea would be great for the state show stuff. Are there rules about it for financial docs?

2nd Vice Chair – Where are we going to park it?

District 4 – Someone's got to be able to park it.

District 3 – We could go for a smaller storage unit and then a trailer.

District 18 – Does someone have a small dry storage place?

2nd Vice Chair – Is just throwing the idea out there. Now we need to get actual prices.

District 4 – I really think you need to do the house cleaning first. Our display cases we don't want anymore. Let's consolidate before we start looking.

District 18 – It gives us a month to find what storage costs.

District 4 – Would rather have the trailer for things like jumps and speed equipment instead of borrowing the equipment.

District 4 – A 10x10 is \$79

2nd Vice Chair – 5x10 would be sufficient.

Chair – Usually you can get some months free if you rent.

District 18 – Some of the bins are full of old patches and such. Do we want to get rid of them?

District 2 – Shows the surplus patches.

District 3 – So each district has an inventory.

2nd Vice Chair – That was why there was a suggestion to have a straight patch and then a year bar.

District 14 – Occasionally you have a kid move districts they have to get another patch.

2nd Vice Chair – If we went with District bars instead of year, we would have a plain MIHA patch and then district bars. It's less money as the patches cost more.

District 3 – We could get a better price on them too as the larger patch is the same except the year bar would be different but they are cheaper to do anyway. Can you put together some prices?

2nd Vice Chair – Candace did that.

District 17 – The year bar is going to be about 1.85 per.

District 3 – Thought we'd have no district designation at that point.

B. Regional and State Registration Fees

2nd Vice Chair – Truly thinks we need to have a fee for regional and state for to generate money for the state organization and offset costs. The big concern is if by chance we have a down turn in the senior division rider and we don't generate the money for the region and state events now we won't have a CD to cash in to pay for them next year. He really thinks we can change things as we go but believes our rider registration is for our district show and the regional and state shows should have a rider registration fee.

1st Vice Chair – Years ago we increased it \$5 per rider to pay for the regional. That is how the treasurer determined what the regions got.

Chair - The regions are increasing but we aren't getting anything from them.

2nd Vice Chair – District 9 gave back \$90 last year. He is looking that we still ran short last year overall. It's the whole picture. We were down from state show and all the other expenses. State show ran over by \$5000. A lot of things we didn't take a look at.

District 4 – We raised our rider registration fee to do that. Now if you're going to Region E, you are already going to pay a fee.

Chair – We don't give them enough to cover their show so they are charging the extra to cover.

District 4 – The first year the people trailering in didn't pay at all as they were close and didn't need a stall. He put in for all riders at the region a \$15 fee and they get one stall free.

District 3 – What is the proposal? \$10 or \$30?

2nd Vice Chair - \$5 at the regional and \$10 at the state level. It would go strictly to the state above what is given back.

District 17 – Is that only the regional and state people?

2nd Vice Chair – Yes

District 4 – If an extra fee goes through he will cut his fees down.

2nd Vice Chair – At the state level you only pay for your stalls, shavings and camping. Maybe that is where we are missing the boat is at the state level.

District 4 – The whole MIHA in a nut shell is paying for the state championship. Doesn't mind upping the state meet but not the regional.

District 18 – Let's hold off on this until we get our house cleaning done. We are cutting costs and we raised the fees.

Treasurer – Would like to wait until the fall as she wants to dig in to what each region costs.

District 3 – Are you giving back more than what your given?

District 4 – Yes

District 3 – Then you are charging too much. Likes the thought of waiting for the treasurer to check into things.

Treasurer – We don't know how many are coming to states so we are estimating anyway.

Chair – It is a concern if we have more loss we will not be able to cover next year.

2nd Vice Chair – If we are following trend we are off 10% membership and 10% on the fees. It is a big hit.

District 4 – We made \$68,000 in 2004 and 2005 at the end of the year.

Chair – We are paying much more now than then but our riders are dropping.

District 4 – But we were blowing money as fast we could.

1st Vice Chair – Our state level went down to half when we instilled regionals and our costs remain the same.

District 10 – So what you're saying is by adding \$10 and the extra you will have \$5000 on hand?

Chair – That would cover what we lost last year.

2nd Vice Chair – We are cutting costs but he still sees what do we do if we don't balance the budget? Where are we going to go to pay our bills? This year the juniors are up and the trend changed there but doesn't know if that will correlate to the senior side.

District 10 – It may go up this year but drop next year.

D20 – How about just charging \$10 for the state show

Treasurer – Do we have to set the fee right now for the state show?

2nd Vice Chair – We can adjust it later on but we don't want to wait too long.

Treasurer – This doesn't affect every team it only affects 40. That doesn't happen until October.

Maybe we can set a fee up to a certain dollar amount. Maybe we need more than \$10.

2nd Vice Chair – What did we pay for the stalls?

Chair - \$40 per stall.

Treasurer – We paid \$23000 out on the use of the grounds.

District 4 – How much money are we making from stalls going to the arenas?

2nd Vice Chair – He has yet to see a contract for the cost of Midland grounds for state or regions.

Chair – We need to make sure we take better track of the costs. Camping for instance? What is the actual amount of camping? We know there was a \$2300 check written out to the grounds but what for? There may have been an itemized bill but we haven't seen one.

District 3 – Have we ever seen one?

Treasurer – They didn't go back too far, but have a list of questions.

District 3 – It sounds like we've been driving blind for a while.

District 17 – The \$23000 was covering every stall and every camping spot.

District 3 – Can you bring something to the July meeting to help us understand where the money goes?

Treasurer – We have to cover a cost. We are a business and we need to cover our costs. To say it is a \$10 fee we may go into the hole \$20 per rider. She doesn't want us to limit ourselves.

Treasurer – Would like to get in to Fred’s numbers to see what the trends are.
District 14 – Agrees with seeing the trend and seeing where the costs are. But we need to make strides to cut everything we can. The trend will keep going down if we keep increasing fees.

Chair – there are some things others won’t budge on like the trophies.

D20 – Thinks there are a lot of little things making up the big things.

Chair – There was a finance committee who looked in to different cost savings which many were turned down.

District 4 – When he ran states they knew what they were making. That is how they set their fees.

How many of the midland fairgrounds stalls are we getting as income? We keep getting a line item for other things but wants one for stalls and etc.

Chair - \$23000 is what it costs us to use the grounds.

2nd Vice Chair – The dragging we get charged for, each run.

Chair - We are still getting charged \$23000 and our numbers are dropping. We are still paying for the same amount but getting less money in. We lost \$60 per stall, etc.

District 4 - The higher we keep raising this the less number of kids we’ll get. He pays some of the fees for some kids out of his own pocket.

Chair – Grounds has flat fees for certain shows.

District 17 – Midland doesn’t do that for regional.

Chair - We will look at it more and see what comes from it.

2nd Vice Chair – You have to manually go through each individual registration and see what is signed up for.

Chair – Tabled until July.

20120613-001 Motion to set the state rider registration fee based on the information presented at the July meeting.

Motion - 2nd vice chair

Second – District 18

Passed

District 14 - When regional was setup they were supposed to pay for themselves.

Chair – District 9 charges different amounts for the distance people drive.

District 3 – No rules are set for how we charge.

C. Saddle Up Business Card Ad

District 18 - We are paying \$300 per year on a business card add. We should have a serious discussion about dropping this.

District 3 – How long have we been doing this?

District 18 – 3 years or so.

20120613-002 Motion to not renew the business card add in Saddleup Magazine.

Motion – district 18

Second – district 10

Passed

In order to remove Chris and Angie from the signer card, we need to make it in the minutes.

Chair – In the past it had just been the state chair person and the Treasurer.

Should we have an additional person? The way our account is setup we only needed one signature but we always did double signatures.

District 14 – Banks don’t do that anymore.

Chair - Do we have a problem with the vice chairs being on the account? The four would be state chair, treasurer, 1st VC and 2nd VC.

20120613-003 Motion to place Virginia Deisler, Harold Stockley, Michael Yanz and Dennis Stanton as signers on the MIHA Account and removing Angie Tippin and Christopher Cook.

Motion – District 14

Second – District 4

Passed

District 3 – Asks for the meeting minutes prior to the night before.

Secretary – Apologizes for the delay and will do better getting them out.

Committees

State Show Committee – Everything is in place except for the contract

Rules Committee – An email was sent by the chair with information.

Rulebook even though the book was given in word there was some changes and it will probably be printed this week. She needs names of judges not on the judges list.

Jumps need to be set off the rail.

Expo – Trying to give us some classroom space for training.

Redistricting – We need to look at it again.

District 4 – Jo sent out the letter, he didn't agree with the letter but if it had been sent to all the DCs they would know what is going on and they would like to have approval on the letter. Doesn't think it is up to the rules chair to make those decisions. It needs to be reviewed. Don't send to the judges but do send to the DCs.

Chair - They have converted our website from one server to another and he hasn't been able to make any changes for two weeks.

District 3 – Are we going to have rulebooks this year?

Chair – This is not Joann's fault it is the printer. There has been much discussion on what format it is in.

District 4 – The problem is we don't have any money and we have to make the printer happy right now.

Chair – It is on the web.

District 3- That's all fine and good but we need our rulebooks. What can we do to get them earlier next year.

District 4 – If you want to change it back to 8.5X11 we can do it anytime.

Chair – But you can print it off the website?

District 3 – Why can we get them in a timely manner?

District 18 – Because we aren't paying for it.

Chair - We cannot fix it without paying A LOT of money. Thousands of dollars. They gave us a copy in the format which we could print in 8.5X11. the person went on a vacation and he had other things which came up. They charge us only the actual supply costs.

Junior Committee – Know some districts were up and others were down. We had more this year overall

Regionals – Stalls are still a hurdle for Ingham.

Regional Committee – are still a hurdle for Ingham

Membership – Rules are coming in

Historian – No Report

Judges Committee – All state judges are hired.

Patterns – Looked at some of the patterns for districts and regional. Nothing decided yet. Want the beginning of July.

Awards Committee – Trophies are not all back yet.

Finance – Covered

Nominations – No Report.

Scholarship– No Report

Logo – No logos have been submitted. Date extended to July 10th.

Tracker Program – Spoke with the developer. He is still working through the list and is currently working on the placings portion and the possible option to select and deselect single or double judging for the district level.

National Competition Committee – No Report

District Reports:

1. Not Present.
2. Had junior show, did have a problem and the DC removed points from one rider due to unsportsmanlike conduct with inappropriate language. The other side was it wasn't totally the young mans fault. He was DQ'd and it was a clod of dirt which broke the timer. He had words after some others jeering. As a result there was some other team parents who thought it wasn't harsh enough and left the show. He was going to let the rider ride and get points the next day.
3. Meet is done and not nearly as exciting as D2's. Banquet is Monday night.
4. Had one "boot to the head" the electric tower ran over which is costing money.
5. Not Present
6. Not Present
7. Not Present
8. Meet is this Saturday
9. Not Present
10. Had a good junior meet
11. Not Present
12. Not Present.
13. Not Present.

14. Junior meet was on May 20th, no issues
15. Good junior meet
16. Not Present
17. Had a meet one weekend ago. No problems, a little rain.
18. Had a lot of rain and had to reschedule junior meet. First acceptable date is Sept 22nd. Will happen at D20s facility. There is an extra fee for insurance for changing grounds. Add 15 riders and 20 horses
19. Not Present
20. Same as District 18.

Correspondence:

Chair – We emailed accident reports out to the districts last year and he is planning to put one up on the web. He has requested a good copy to put up there.

Has anyone heard of anyone receiving money from a claim to AIL. Think district 6 may have had one. We can ask if it worked out but not how much.

1st VC – is there anyone who wants to take other districts' awards to the DCs?

Call to the Public: None

Motion to adjourn

District 4 – Motions

District 18 – Seconds

Passed

Adjourned 8:22 pm

Motions:

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