

Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda

August 12, 2014 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

6:20pm

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**

Introductions: Sarah Promoda, d13

Call to the Public: None

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve D13

Second D11

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve D1

Second D13

**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report

Discussion: \$107,000 in all checking accounts. Deposits and Expenses Covered.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Those having fundraising shows, include the extra \$50 per show for them.

Treasurer: next months registration, she needs two copies of every teams roster and 2 of district roster, 1 copy volunteer form. \$60 per rider \$2 for insurance. If you need additional rulebooks it's \$2 per book. One per team is provided.

Motion To Approve D1

Second D7

**Pass/Fail**

Old Business:

A. Concussion Certs

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Several have asked about the concussion training for the coaches. Going forward new volunteers and coaches need it.

D7: The law states the cert is good for 3 years.

D13: Asks for the link to it again.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Will send that out later.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: All coaches should be going through the 20 minute training. Print the certificate when done.

D7: There is a parent information form the rider and parent are to sign. It only has to be signed once.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Last year we didn't require the parents to sign. Only the schools having it as a varsity sport did.

D7: This is a Michigan law. It has nothing to do with schools. Each team should be keeping a file on each rider with the responsible team party.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: In your team book that is given to the rider, there should be a form to comply with the concussion rule. If a student is in multiple sports and already has one, they can copy that signed form and provide that.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Doesn't think the DCs are taking care of this for their coaches. They need to assist with the collection of the forms needed.

D14: So we are requiring every coach to do this?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Yes, this is now a requirement.

#### New Business:

##### A. Stream Live via Internet Both Arenas at the State Meet

D19: It might be possible to setup a couple cameras to stream the video back to their office and stream live to the internet. It would be a couple thousand dollars worth of equipment. He is checking with the grounds to see if they offer wifi to vendors. The other possibility is a 4G connection, but we would have data.

His office would buy the equipment and rent it to us.

A couple issues with it is the potential of some of not so good video being streamed to the internet, such as rider injury.

D13: What about release waiver to put their image out on the web.

D19: It will be a feed of the entire arena, so faces may be less visible.

Maybe get some sponsors we could put their logos up as advertisement to offset the cost.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We would put a release in the state show packet.

State Show Chair: He's not sure if we can pull it off this year.

D5: She was going to pull the 4H media release and revamp it for us.

D1: It could be as simple as one sheet with the wording at the top and lines for the rider and parents to sign. It would be one per team.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Anyone have any objections to exploring this further?

All agree to have Brian continue to investigate.

State Show Chair: Will check on the wifi at the grounds when he goes to judge there tomorrow.

D19: It's completely compatible with smart phones.

#### B. Lowell Equestrian Team

D5: A few weeks ago she received a text from a coach to look at facebook. She then received a call that Lowell was trying to limit their team.

She found no intention of limiting the team in any way.

She's talked with the school and they are taking an active role.

Lowell is asking for a \$30 rental fee to use the "equipment" such as suits. The fee is to cover the cleaning of the clothing.

Asking if this is OK?

It's a one-time per season fee.

Lowell is starting to funnel their funds through the schools athletic boosters.

A non team member can also rent the equipment for other events.

The fee for Lowell is \$600 but this covers, regional and state meet.

They have done a lot of fundraising to offset some of that cost. If that team does not make it to regional or states, any money paid by the rider/parent gets refunded.

D19: Suggested making the \$30 a refundable deposit.

#### C. Insurance

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Make sure you have your insurance for your district and regional show. Each district has to have their insurance with them for the regional show. The insurance company requires it.

Region C has to be adjusted for Friday night along with Saturday and Sunday.

The cost did go up. Next year the fee will go up for those extra fundraising shows.

#### D. Logo

1. 0

2. 0

3. 7

4. 0

5. 9

3. 3 (Regional Logo)

5. 11 (State Meet Logo) Suggested burnt orange or dark orange

The shirt vendor will be Lighthouse.

E. Trail

D10: Under C. he reads 0 score #5 under that. Under D. #4 shows disqualification.

State Show Chair: Evading is the rider attempted and the horse went around it. Not attempting is by-passed it without trying the obstacle.

D10: As he looked over his proposed rule changes he didn't find it.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: It was put in for clarification not a change.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: D-4 is listed under C in 2013 rulebook.

D10: Reads off what he had down for being voted on in February.

State Show Chair: The new way in the 4H rulebook is 0-70.

Every judge is being forced in 4H to use that system.

D5: Shows in her notes that it was removed.

D10: He just wants to be on the same page.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We will research how and why it got changed.

D10: When brought up to the chair, a rider who skipped an obstacle cannot place higher than someone who attempted it.

State Show Chair: With the new scoring system someone could place higher with a missed obstacle. 4H uses measures to avoid this.

State Show Chair: It would be most simplistic stating no rider missing an obstacle will place higher than one who missed none.

D10: Would like an SOP stating the approved scoring for trail.

**20140813-001 Proposed SOP:**

**No rider that deviates from the posted pattern in any way or that receives a zero score for a particular obstacle shall place above any rider that completes the pattern as written.**

**Motion D10**

**Second D19**

**Passed**

F. Clio

D14: Request to form a team for senior high in her district. She is asking if there is any Clio team in another district.

D11: Had a junior team for Clio.

D14: Will refer them to district 11's DC.

D11: The junior coach had a rough year and probably will not coach again.

D14: If they cannot be in D14 they most likely will not form the team.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We typically cannot have a junior team in one district and a high school team in another. If the junior team no longer exists then they might be able to be in another district.

D11: Would like to see them be in District 14 rather than not show at all. She had one rider who wanted to form a senior team. She was suggesting the father could be the coach.

D14: They have a registered coach. It will be a determination of which district they are in.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: The rulebook states team coaches may request a move. There are timelines for that.

D14: She should tell them there was a junior team and a potential high school rider they have to show in D11.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: They can petition to move after the season.

D14: Will forward the potential coach to D11 to see if that person still would like to move forward.

D14: Update on Port Hope. They dissolved the district. The coach is going to coach Harbor Beach as the kids were split between school districts.

Committee Reports:

State Show: Found a photographer from Monroe area. He won't come if we are going to charge him a vendor fee.

D1: Marcelle Santees was sent to state show chair. D17 might know of someone.

State Show Chair: Needs to know pretty quick. Looking for someone professional that can sell via computer.

D19: Think we could negotiate a lower fee?

State Show Chair: He wants his camping paid and no vendor fee. Caterer is secured. We don't have a ferrier yet. We talked about paying one but don't know if we can.

Christie stated she would do the program. We need to transfer all correspondence.

Patterns will be posted online this year after regionals. We will have some for sale for those who can't print them.

Rules: Trail rule

Junior Division: No Report

Regional: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Patterns are in.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Hopes DCs are talking about their regions.

Membership: No report

Historian: No Report

Judges: 1<sup>st</sup> VC: Had a judge apologize for not showing up to a junior meet she believed she wasn't hired for. After verification she discovered she was.

Pattern: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Regional patterns will go on the website the Monday prior to regionals, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. State show will go up the Monday after regionals, September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Awards: 1<sup>st</sup> VC: September meeting will have all the district and regional trophies will be here.

Finance: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC: The state show fees will be the same and last year. Regional fees will be the same this year, but maybe next year will be removed.

Nominations: 1<sup>st</sup> VC, Secretary & Treasurer are up this year.

Scholarship: Checks are out to the kids. 3 \$500 were given. The checks are made out to the kid and the college.

Tracker Program: D19: No updates really in this last month. Both Bill and Brian were busy. This year you will use the old tracker program.

Working on finalizing the scoring program and handling ties. They are about 80-85% ready.

Maybe we will put out a forum for bugs and fixes.

Promotional: D5: Not a lot going on. Working a September ad for Saddle-up.

Logo: Selected. He will send it out in case you want to use it for your district.

National Competition: State Show Chair: Going to judge WIHA in October. He will talk about it more.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We would love to have a national show, but want a full show not just an exhibition. We would like a neutral spot where everyone drives about the same distance.

D13: Went to Wisconsin state fair, and was talking to some 4H participants about their programs.

State Show Chair: May talk with Dan about asking for a loan from us to help promote their organization.

D10: He has a copy of Ohio's rules. They are based off ours and are still fairly close. It would be good to include them.

District Reports:

D1: Going well. Junior meet was good. Senior rosters are due this weekend. Has a few new schools.

D2: Going well. He will miss his first two meets due to personal festivities.

D3: Not present

D4: Registration meeting on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

D5: First meet is Sept 6.

D6: Not Present

D7: Left prior to report.

D8: Registration is up 4 riders and first show is next weekend.

D9: Not present

D10: Everything is good.

D11: Everything is good. Up riders to 92 and first meet August 23 & 24.

D12: Not Present

D13: Up riders and a team. First show is the 7<sup>th</sup> and then 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

D14: Everything is good. Rider count is steady.

D15: Down about 15 riders from last year to 70 kids.

D16: Not Present

D17: Fine. Registration meeting is the 27<sup>th</sup>.

D18: Rider registration is the 18<sup>th</sup>. Moving to Flint fields this year from Traverse City fairgrounds. About the same number of riders, low 50s.

D19: Down 22 riders. Had a lot of graduates. Problem coach and rider from last year have stepped down and not showing.

D20: Not Present

Correspondence: None

Call to the Public:None

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: D5

Second: D11

**Pass/Fail**

8:32pm