

BOD 3/14/09

10:04

Present: Districts 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,13,15,16,17,18,19,20

Introduction of new executive board members and district chairpersons.

Guest Speaker: Susan Gregg affiliated with the Tennessee Walking Horse Association

Susan's daughter rides a Tennessee Walking horse and is a member of a junior equestrian team. She came to clarify rules regarding bits and bridles as it applies to the Tennessee Walking horse vs. MIHA rulebook.

Cindy suggested to Susan to have their coach bring up the involvement of gaited horses at the AM meeting. If the participant's parent is needed for clarification of breed specific attire they should be allowed to be present only for that purpose.

It was recommended to Susan to draw up a proposal for these desired clarifications or changes and submit it for the rules meeting in February.

Agenda:

Motion made to accept the meeting agenda.

1<sup>st</sup> – Cindy (District 1)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Adela (District 19)

Approve – Unanimous

Minutes:

Date needs to be changed to 2009 from 2008.

Motion to approve minutes with changes.

1<sup>st</sup> – Hidle (District 16)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Chris (District 18)

Approve - Unanimous

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Reports still missing for:

District 3, Barrien Springs and St. Joesph

District 11, Amy has and will turn in to Chene

District 20, Johannasburg-Lewiston

MIHA rulebook states regulations for financial reporting.

The executive board is allowing 7 more days for missing financial reports.

Reports must be in no later than 3/14/09 or the coach of the offending team will be relieved of their position.

Motion to accept treasurer's report.

1<sup>st</sup> – Cindy (District 1)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Hidle (District 17)

Approve – Unanimous

Junior Division:

Terry (District 4) – Inquiring about a second meet for the junior division.

An email sent out from Annette on behalf of the junior steering committee stated if the district would like to have a second meet it was allowed if funded by the District.

If it's an MIHA show should it be backed financially like an MIHA show?  
What about the insurance?

Chris (Exec Board Chair) – Because the policy is so large the insurance company is looking into the cost per show. Cost has been narrowed down to \$30-\$50. It is the position of the junior steering committee to allow districts to have a second show as long as the district is funding the second show.

Terry (District 4) – District 4 is having enrollment issues in the junior division with only one show being offered.

Doyle (District 9) – This question of having a 2<sup>nd</sup> show was not intended to create concern or controversy. District 9 was looking to have their own second meet and assume the cost of the show within their district.

Chris Cook (Exec Bd Chair) – The size of the junior division has not increased enough to require all districts to have a second meet.

Steve (District 16) – The rulebook states the junior division has one meet. The rulebook should be followed, or it could cause other districts to follow their own agenda and not follow rules set forth by MIHA.

Joel (District 5) – Read the rule in the book for clarification. Expressed the rulebook should be followed and a rule change proposed for February.

Chris (Exec Bd Chair) – Likes the opportunity for another meet but not to mandate it for all districts.

Roxanne (District 7) – Feel MIHA should abide by the book.

Doyle (District 9) – States these are all valid points and is not arguing the rule. In MIHA's beginning there was only one meet and grew to three through the same type of process as juniors is expanding now. He doesn't want to see the junior division's growth stunted because it cannot expand.

Terry (District 4) – Has been asking each year since the founding of the junior division. Nothing has come of it.

Pattie (Exec Bd Secretary) – Each year the steering committee has discussed the expansion but did not feel the numbers could support the cost of a second meet.

Chris (Exec Bd Chair) – Doesn't want anymore than one mandated.

Cindy (District 1) – The first year the junior division had a meet was not sanctioned by MIHA. You could hold a second meet and govern it by MIHA rules.

Joel (District 5) - If a second meet is set what monies is the state going to require of the districts?

Steve (District 16) – How did the senior division progress from one meet to three? What stance does the steering committee take on this?

Chris (Exec Bd Chair) – The steering committee doesn't want to force all districts to have multiple meets.

Fred (District 2) – Makes a motion to have the steering committee propose a rule change to mandate the current one meet but allow districts an additional meet with corresponding fees paid by the district.

Joel (District 5) – Seconds the motion

Amy (District 11) – Second show should be allowed but look to MIHA for the Insurance.

Terry (District 4) – Likes Cindy's idea of choosing to have the second show but doesn't want to make it a fun show. He wants to have the exact format of the first junior meet and have the points count as a standard meet.

Chris Cook (Exec Bd Chair) – MIHA will get the insurance and pass along the cost to the districts wanting the additional show.

Adela (District 19) - A motion for an SOP to cover this year's change needs to be made.

Doyle (District 9) – Call for the vote on the rule change.  
Passed - Unanimous

Terry (District 4) – Motion made for SOP for a second MIHA sanction show to be funded by the district choosing to have a second meet.

Doyle (District 9) – Seconds the motion  
Passed – Unanimous

Information for districts having a second meet needs to be turned in to Chris for insurance purchase.

Junior Pins – Will there be pins this year?  
Yes

Cost?

About the same cost as last year

Old Business:

Deadline list – Pattie Martin is collecting information to develop one.

SOP's – Six were rewritten by Larry.

Chris will send these out to everyone via email and will also see they are posted on the web site.

Joel is looking for the SOP he rewrote. Chris will check to find where it stands.

Motion for SOP approval for website posting

1<sup>st</sup> – District 5

2<sup>nd</sup> – District 16

Passed – Unanimous

Rider Registration

Judy (District 3) – What is required for rider registration?

At the state meet the medical release form was required or the kids could not show. The rulebook states nothing about the medical release form being required.

Instances given where the form was required for treatment.

Doyle (District 9) – Does this leave the association liable? Whose responsibility is it to determine if a rider needs to be transported to emergency?

Mike – If an ambulance is dispatched and is treating a patient, EMS is not allowed to accept a refusal from a minor. If the situation warrants immediate transport EMS will take the patient regardless if there is a treatment form.

Dennis (Exec Bd Vice Chair) – As a DC you are responsible for the show. Medical treatment forms should reside in the booth.

Judy – If the form is required it needs to be in the rulebook.

Joel – Regarding terminology on the form, does a representative from MIHA need to be on the form?

Terry – If the form is to be mandated an SOP needs to be made.

Amy – Please have Mike look at the form to verify it contains adequate data.

Cindy (District 1) – Makes a motion. All rider registration is to include the registration form, disclaimer, coggins, photo and medical treatment form.

Joel (District 5) – Seconds the motion

Frank (District 2) – Makes an amendment to motion. Coaches must also retain a copy of medical release form.

Vote – Yes 17

No 1

Rulebooks: Do we order?

Steve (District 16) – Make a motion to no reprint rulebooks this year.

Hidie (District 17) – Seconds the motion

Vote: Yes 17

Abstain 1

New Business:

Positions:

Finance – Chene Godsey

Rules Chair – Chris is working to get Joan Kosanik

State Show Chair – Cindy Tesolin

Nominations Chair – Dennis Stanton

Membership – Pattie Yanz

Historian – Pattie Yanz

Judges Committee Chair – Mike Yanz

Patterns Committee Chair – Dennis Stanton (Terry is asking for a review of patterns every year.)

Trophy Committee Chair – Mike Yanz

Regional Committee Chair – Mike Yanz

Junior Steering Committee Chair – Chris Cook

District Reports

1 – Issue with junior coach Cindy met with the principal. The coach has the approval of the school. Cindy has had to turn all complaints back to the principal.

2 – One team petitioned to move to District 12.

3 – All is good.

4 - All is good.

5 - All is good.

6 – Junior meet needed to be moved from May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

7 - All is good.

8 - All is good.

9 - All is good.

10 – All is good.

11 - All is good.

- 12 - Not Present
- 13 - All is good.
- 14 - Not Present
- 15 - All is good.
- 16 - All is good.
- 17 - All is good.
- 18 - All is good.
- 19 - All is good. Maple Valley is calling to get information.
- 20 - All is good.

Correspondence:

Chris has information but cannot divulge the information contained.

Call to the Public:

Is there a need for an April meeting?

Doyle (District 9) – Make a motion to cancel the April Meeting

Chris (District 18) – Seconds the motion

Discussion – A tabled issue from August 2007 still needs to be addressed.

Chris will get the data together and present it.

Vote on meeting motion – Tied at 8 votes each. There will be an April meeting

Adjourn – 12:00 pm