

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*

Call To Order: *10:00am*

Introductions: **None**

Call to the Public: None

## **Agenda**

**Changes Yes**

**Motion To Approve 17**

**Second 18**

**Pass/ Fail**

## **Minutes**

**Changes**

**Motion to Approve 17**

**Second 9**

**Pass/Fail**

## **Treasurer's Report**

Discussion

Financials emailed last night. Financials reviewed.

We had an \$80,000 swing from last year on profit and loss. This year we have approximately \$60,000 at year end versus a \$20,000 loss from 2011.

District 18: What do you think the difference was?

Treasurer: Controlled spending and increased fees as needed to make events pay for themselves.

We are now in a position to be proactive instead of reactive.

Chair: Was very worried how we were going to pay for this year.

District 18: Thought this swing would take 3 years not just one.

Treasurer: Knows we really slimmed state show and maybe now we can bring back some paid help such as paying for hotel rooms. If we continue to monitor and control costs we will be OK.

Chair: Knows regions had silent auctions and took steps to offset costs. We don't want to let our efforts down.

District 16: Commends the finance committee on their efforts to control spending and sees we need to be diligent on continuing to adjust spending even just the little things. The big thing is to know where the costs are.

Chair: Because the records were so confused it was very difficult to determine where the spending was coming from.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: The majority of the income came from regionals this year.

Treasurer: You can see on the profit loss which region brought in the most income.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We were hopeful the money put in to the regions would come back out.

Treasurer: Total expenses for 2012 \$216,000. She would still like to set a budget and present it.

\$68,000 balance in the checking. She would like to put \$30,000 in a short term CD.

District 5: The payout schedule for district is set from last year?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: They were planning to do a flat fee instead of based on number. The amount back to the districts will be changed. The minimum is \$1500. This is pushing back on the district to make sure the show is paid for by the district.

## **Motion To Approve 12**

### **Second 5**

### **Pass/Fail**

Treasurer: Needs to have judges forms to get them filed by January 31<sup>st</sup>. She does not have a file with judges' social security numbers.

District 7: It is appropriate for the Treasurer to have a list of SS numbers.

Treasurer: We can have the judges fill out a W9 every year. We get penalized if we inaccurate information. They have to be filed by the end of February. She needs to have the information from the DCs and will try calling judges to get the needed information.

District 12: He would reach out to DCs to get the SS numbers.

Treasurer: Would like to have the judge fill out a W9 before they get paid from each show. She would appreciate the rest of the districts as soon as possible. She only has two weeks. 1, 2, 3, 4, 8hs, 9, 11, 12, 16, 17, 20

District 12: Scanned them in and emailed them to the Treasurer. B, C and D are missing from regions.

Financials: Has 7, 15, and 19. Missing the rest.

District 12: Emailed those also to the EB.

District 14: Can get the judges information but won't have SS numbers as Todd took care of that. She doesn't have the contracts.

Treasurer: Has the checkbook and will give District 14 the names.

District 7: You will need the dollar amount paid to each judge in addition to the W9 form.

Treasurer: Staple the W9 to the judges form or write it on the W9.

Chair: We may be requiring each district to have a treasurer in order to have two people minimum looking at district financials.

Rules Chair: We have to put some checks and balances in place.

District 14: Won't that have to be a constitutional change.

District 18: Maybe an EB member should be on the account also.

District 16: That would muddle things up more.

Treasurer: There are 4 people on the account for the state.

District 18: Has 3 people on theirs.

District 14: You can have bank statements turned in for the checking account. Many banks don't require two signatures anymore.

Treasurer: There really is no control.

Chair: 4H has all the bank statements for the club mailed to the office and they will mail out a copy to the club. An audit form is done every year.

District 18: What about the districts chosen each year for a review?

Chair: The information we get is a form from the district.

District 18: What about those chosen for a more indepth audit?

Treasurer: Feels it's the DCs responsibility to add up the amount of money taken in for revenue and make sure it matches what the district states it has. We need some kind of system in place to audit the financials. She feels we can do this in house.

District 16: You have to look at the whole picture. He has 16 teams. Who is auditing the teams? Should he be doing that?

Chair: There have been multiple issues this last year just within teams. We've had problems with even getting statements.

District 5: A lot of the problems are over the fundraising. She cannot get someone to take over the Treasury.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: He told his district if they wanted him to continue as the DC he needed a treasurer.

District 7: A lot of her checks are from the school. She writes out 20 checks per year.

Chair: Each team and districts do different things.

District 7: If accuracy is more important than the deadline she will go through each report. The deadline has always been more important than the accuracy of the reports.

District 5: This is a discussion the finance committee should be having and bringing back recommendations for the audit process.

Chair: He is only talking more than one person looking at it not an outside source is required.

District 6: Everything goes to the school and she gets a report from the school.

Treasurer: If you feel it would be beneficial the treasurer would be happy to do a short “how to” at the annual meeting.

\*\*Treasurer needs time on the annual meeting agenda for financials training.\*\*

District 14: Question about the checking accounts for junior and senior team sharing accounts. Both junior and senior do their fundraising and such together.

Treasurer: In Quickbooks she has it broke down into classes and then breaks it out in reporting. She still needs separate reports for junior and senior.

District 16: What is the reasoning for not allowing both junior and senior combined financial report?

Treasurer: It’s the backup documentation.

District 16: Both his junior and senior are support for his district report.

Treasurer: Wants consistency and is requiring two different for junior and senior.

District 16: Shouldn’t my district then have two different checkbooks?

Rules Chair: If you add both the junior and the senior together it should equal your bank statement.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: District payouts: Riders 1-74 \$ 2000, 75-100 \$2500, over 100 \$3000. The only district affected is district 1. They will lose \$500 this next year.

## Old Business:

### A. Storage Unit

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: did more research on the unit on the size and cost. The 5X5 ranged from 27 to 35 per month. The national storage unit on Jolly, a 4X10 for \$37 per month. It is less than 4 miles

District 18: Is that going to be a big enough unit?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: All the financials are being moved to digital and cannot be stored in a unit.

District 18: Likes it as long as the size is big enough.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We can order the trophies early and store those there. The display panels can be done and stored there. The equipment from the state meet also. The extra trophies can be stored there also.

District 5: Is it temp controlled?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Yes

District 12: Is there a gate with a code?

District 2: This is a 2<sup>nd</sup> story unit. His thought is when there is a change in leadership you pass on a key not a bunch of boxes.

District 12: Just wanted to make sure someone can't just walk up and access it.

**20130112-001: Motion to secure the rental of the 4X5 unit at the Jolly road facility.**

**Motion: District 9**

**Second: District 18**

**Passed**

## B. Rules Changes

Rules Chair: Apologizes for the delay but has been ill. Only one constitutional amendment.

#Cancel the annual rules meeting and do rules changes through a new process.

Many were to reorganize the book.

#Responsibilities of the District Chair person and the addition of a treasurer. The annual report filled out by the DC, district treasurer and a 3<sup>rd</sup> party.

#Protests: Must be in writing after the scores have been posted.

#Junior division with only 1 A team can split to two smaller teams.

#Two fingers under the chin strap, to two stacked fingers.

#Advancement of 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams

#Use of clothing stewards, change from what is current to safety reasons only.

#Rule infractions: Change to named positions

#MIHA to run on an academic school year.

#Judges decision is final, eliminate protest of judges decision.

#Patterns available at least 30 minutes before a class individual tests wording taken out.

#Only registered coaches are allowed to coach from the rail

#Riders given 2 minute timeout to fix broken equipment.

#Change to match should match breed standard.

#Changed many things to do with diagrams

#Stock seat change back to western

#eliminate the movement of the romel rein after mounting

#Only index finger allowed with split rein

#Reining and western riding disqualifications.

#Junior division does explain western riding and reining

#Trying to get rid of the dressage saddle in saddleseat.

#no curb strap on a SS bridle.

#Eq over fences classes, change may to must circle before first jump.

#Refusals, elements by the third attempt.

#Recommended distances, 48 feet between jumps unless an in and out.

#15 minute coach and rider walk through.

#3 minutes recommended length, change to only use the time as a tie breaker for trail. 5 refusals of an obstacle is not a disqualification

#Eliminate dismounting and mounting in trail

#Gymkhana would like to allow over and unders

#Bats, crops, etc has to match the style of riding

#Change keg, cone, etc to marker

#Change from metal or plastic to just plastic drum

#Sentences seem to have been lost on last transfer from Word to printable format.

#Disqualification spots are redundant

#Better diagrams

#Couple of SS patterns were submitted

State Show Chair: We need to find a way address to 0 score in trail.

Rules Chair: The more we stick with the 4H scoring the better it will be for the judges.

The way we score now, 5 refusals you will be excused. We need to find a way to penalize those excused.

District 19: One of the rule changes had to do with scoring. We need to find a consistent way to score.

State Show Chair: It is a 4H rule stating you cannot place over someone who completes the course even if your score is higher if you are excused or have more refusals.

District 7: Trail is considered the 17<sup>th</sup> class. She believes the reason why it setup this way is it is open to all seats. The 3 minute rule was to bring it an all seat class.

District 18: What if we have a trail score sheet with the instructions on how to score it.

Chair: Whatever way we choose we need to make sure we are clear on our scoring intent.

Rules Chair: We need consistency for our kids.

Is the consensus to have the judges score it as reining is done with the 70 point system? We would like to post the scores.

We can create our own form. We should have it for all three classes.

\*\*State Show Chair to create score sheets for all three pattern classes including a cheat sheet on scoring.\*\*

Treasurer: Three slots across the board. Change the amount of slots in the book.

District 5: Why aren't the bases filled in poles?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: If they are solid rubber base there is nothing to fill.

State Show Chair: The ones at states are solid rubber base.

#### New Business:

##### A. Regional Assignments

2<sup>nd</sup> VC:

Region A: Berrien Springs 3, 10, 15, 19

Region B: Shiawasee 11, 14, 5, 1

Region C: Midland 17, 6, 13, 16

Region D: Ludington 9, 18, 20, 8

RegionE: Ingham 4, 2, 7, 12

#### Committee Reports:

State Show: 4 of the 6 judges hired, contacted caterer and hotel.

Encourages districts to advertise in the program their champions.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: The printer has some ideas for the format this year.

District 6: If you could get the form on the website early.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We'll have it together this year.

Rules: Covered Redistricting information will be out this next week as a rough draft.

Junior Division: NR

Regional: Covered

Membership: NR

Historian: NR

Judges: NR

Pattern: Nothing on the patterns yet. District patterns out possibly by the winter meeting.

Awards: NR

Finance: Covered

Nominations: Ginny for Treasurer, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair =Dennis,

Secretary=None yet

Scholarship: District 18: Consider bumping up

Tracker Program: Bill, relative of Tracee is working on it now. Code was sent to Bill.

#### District Reports:

1. Not Present
2. One new junior team and one old coming back, new treasurer
3. Not Present
4. No Report
5. Half judges hired
6. Same DCs and assistance as last year, junior meet in April
7. All teams turned in financial reports. Needs to ask Rules Chair for district alignment changes.

8. No Report
9. Left prior to reports.
10. Two older schools reformed teams, Redisricting we have to consider facilities.
11. Not Present
12. 2013 dates are booked, coaches meeting coming up
13. Not Present
14. Coaches meeting, Frankenmuth reforming teams and Birch Run starting one possibly.
15. Not Present
16. Left prior to report
17. Good, got two new junior teams and a 10 person team possibly, 2 new senior teams
18. One coaching change this year.
19. Possibly two new junior teams this year
20. Not Present

Correspondence:

Chair: Received a request from a girl who dropped out of school and is not attending high school but wants to stay on the equestrian team.  
Two requests of teams wishing to start again.

Call To The Public: None

**Motion To Adjourn: 12:30pm**

**Motion 18**

**Second 5**

**Pass/Fail**

**Motions:**

Agenda:

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

Minutes:

**Motion to accept the minutes**  
**District 17 – Motions**  
**District 9 – Seconds**  
**Passed**

Treasurer's Report

**Motion to accept the minutes**  
**District 12 – Motions**  
**District 5 – Seconds**  
**Passed**

Motion to adjourn

**District 18 – Motions**  
**District 5 – Seconds**  
**Passed**

**20130112-001: Motion to secure the rental of the 4X5 unit at the Jolly road facility.**

**Motion: District 9**  
**Second: District 18**  
**Passed**

**Tasks:**

\*\*Treasurer needs time on the annual meeting agenda for financials training.\*\*

\*\*State Show Chair to create score sheets for all three pattern classes including a cheat sheet on scoring.\*\*

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Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Agenda

March 9, 2013 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
MSU Equine Teaching Center

10:00am

Roll Call: **1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19**

Executive Board: **Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> VC, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Secretary, State Show**

Introductions: Michelle Yurk d11, Bill Bahnke, Stacey Toy, Shelly  
Armstrong-Miller, Kristi Stecker

Call to the Public:

None

Agenda

Changes yes

Motion To Approve 1

Second 4

Pass

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve 1

Second 17

Pass

Treasurer's Report

Discussion: Sent an extra \$200 to the Midland fairgrounds for security deposit. We have also paid for one year of the storage unit. A reimbursement for patterns was given to Fred and Dennis.

We paid the Towne and Country building fee.

Chair: The Towne and Country building is for sale. Anything being reserved is bound and the only way the man is going to retire is if he sells the building. The question is whether we are going to reserve again.

D3: Do we have other options?

Chair: Ingham County fairgrounds was too small but may be big enough now.

The treasurer is checking for a place in Alma.

D8: There is supposed to be a place in St. Johns coming up.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Marc had also suggested a hotel. He thought about Midland Fairgrounds facility.

D9: Ingham County was pretty reasonable in cost.

D17: It was reasonable because we brought the food.

D9: It may be something to revisit, the Ingham County fairgrounds

Chair: We will look into a different meeting place for the annual meeting.

We haven't been thrilled with the current location.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair: Another thought would be a school cafeteria.

Motion To Approve (No official treasurers report to approve.)

Second

Pass/Fail

Old Business:

A. District Money

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: At the winter meeting was mentioned to put this back up for discussion. District 1 will take another \$500 hit this year. This is to just keep things in line with proper spending.

What you can expect for this year for payouts is: 1-74 \$ 2000, 75-100 \$2500, 101- up \$3000.

D1: If this keeps up without redistricting this will start really tapping her families. She going to try and cut back some this year.

They don't do a banquet. She is cutting costs where she can.

They can't do overnights and she has to rent porta-johns.

Rider registration is jr \$60 hs \$80. They have no stalling or camping.

She feels the money they've brought in has offset others' costs of being in the red. Now she feels they are being punished.

District 1 is losing Plymouth/Canton/Salem.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: The thought is trying to level the playing cost playing field per district

D3: Is district 1 the largest?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Yes.

D17: So what she is saying is she has no money left after her meets? What is her rider registration fee?

D1: \$80 for senior

D17: Can district 17 give her \$500? They can operate on less.

D3: She's 80 riders

**20130309-001 Motion to induce another rider number level between 100 and 150. 101-125 \$3000, 126-up \$3500**

**Motion: District 3**

**Second: District 9**

**Passed**

## B. Regional Assignments

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Had numerous coaches at the winter meeting state what a hardship it would be to drive to Berrien Springs for their regional meet. He doesn't know what to do about unless he moves someone back to western Michigan.

D9: When regional was started we agreed to rotate teams to different regions. It poses a real hardship for some teams to go other places. Other sports do not change.

D14: That isn't the same in all parts of the state.

D9: So you're telling me you always go someplace else for regional competition?

D3: So your regions change?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: The districts are much larger than a school. When you move a district to another location you are moving a lot of schools.

D5: District 16 is moving to Midland for their regional. They are farther west than district 5. She understands the hardship but start fundraising to pay for it.

D6: They other thing, even locally, when people have to start traveling it costs them that much more.

D9: Feels bad for the teams when it is going to be such an extreme hardship.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: It does become counter-productive.

D14: We are redistricting this year? We will have to redo our regions next year anyway.

Chair: We knew there was going to be issues. Joanne worked hard to find the best option. It was just a way to introduce the idea. Joanne has a new break down of the map and is planning to bring it to the next meeting.

D3: We are all going to have to change. It really opened our eyes.

D4: What we saw at the meeting is not going to be what we end up with.

D9: The presentation at the winter meeting included all 20 districts.

D10: He has 5 schools within short miles to Lake Erie and we are asking them to drive 200 miles one way to get to regional. Half of his district will not go to regional.

D6: When we start moving people causing more hardship, they will not come in to MIHA because they can't afford it.

Chair: This is why we are talking about it. If we left them the same way last year as we did this year, some could complain because they could be closer to a different grounds.

D3: You will never make everyone happy.

D5: With your teams, would they go to Midland than Berrien? It is about 50 miles shorter.

D10: He doesn't know. Part of it is time parents have to take off of work to travel.

D19: If it is left the same the complaint of where is moot. He believes changing gives those moving to another grounds a disadvantage.

SS Chair: The thought was to get the powerhouse teams separated.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: No that isn't the case.

Chair: Teams want to move for easier competition.

D1: The reason for changing the power teams was to cut down on protests.

D14: The powerhouse teams will always be in the same area.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Do you want to take the regions back to what they were last year?

D5: She is about two hours from any regional show grounds.

2<sup>nd</sup>: 5 and 10 could be swapped, 5 to Berrien and 10 to Shiawasee.

We setup anchor districts so the districts in the area of the show grounds can handle the ground issues and know they area.

If you want to change so the regions stay in the same place each year, we can do that.

D9: What about district 16? Where would you put them?

D5: She is the regional chair of the region and is working on hiring judges and such.

D11: She does not want to take over the job.

D5: The rulebook states the regional DCs will vote on who the chair will be. It does not have to be the anchor district.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Was going to move 16 back to Berrien Springs.

D9: The two we are talking about are 10 and 16. Why don't we just switch them?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: It doesn't do anything for 16.

He is going to table this for now.

D9: This shouldn't be tabled.

D19: Was anyone upset with the setup last year?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: If we go back to last year's setup, is there a problem with that? Last years setup was:

Berrien Springs: 3, 15, 16, 19

Shiawasee: 1, 12, 11, 14

Midland: 6, 8, 13, 17

Western Mich: 5, 9, 18, 20

Ingham: 2, 4, 7, 10

D9: Only one district, 8, wanted to move last year.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: District 5 switch with District 8?

D5: That is about another 30 minutes further. There are no good ways to get there.

She will do her best to work with it. She is not saying no.

**20130309-002 Motion to leave the region setup as they were last year.**

**Berrien Springs: 3, 15, 16, 19**

**Shiawasee: 1, 12, 11, 14**

**Midland: 6, 8, 13, 17**

**Western Mich: 5, 9, 18, 20**

**Ingham: 2, 4, 7, 10**

**Motion: D17**

**Second: D4**

D5: If we can work on some things like the scheduling she can probably convince her district to go.

D9: Does not believe district 5 going to Ludington is workable.

D3: What was the problem?

D5: Really it was the scheduling. Her two d teams felt they had no time to enjoy anything. They were running constantly.

D1: Not everyone is going to be happy with every decision is made.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Move D5 to Midland and D8 to Ludington.

D5: She can sell that.

**Friendly amendment to set schedule as such**

**Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC**

**Second: district 11**

**2<sup>nd</sup> VC: New schedule**

**A:3, 15, 16, 19**

**B:1, 12, 11, 14**

**C:5, 6, 13, 17**

**D:8, 9, 18, 20**

**E:2, 4, 7, 10**

**Passed**

**1 Abstain**

Chair: Joanne will bring the redistricting map for the next meeting

D14: Can she email them out?

Chair: Joanne is just about done with the rule changes and will get them to the EX Board.

New Business:

**A. Scholar Athlete Patch**

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Had a parent call regarding a non varsity sport who cannot participate in the all academic program offered through the school. The parent wondered if MIHA would consider an all academic patch through our organization and sell them to the coaches to present to their riders. They would have to set up their rules to qualify for it.

What does the board think? We would have to design and front the cost for the patches.

D9: Has mixed emotions. He understands the idea. Some have access to that right now.

D1: The parent of the team wants the patch from the MHSAA.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: They actually have to win the scholarship.

D1: That is not what she understands.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: That is what their website says.

D13: She would hate to have another layer we have to track and monitor.

D1: We already took the district off the patch to save money. Why would we buy another patch.

D14: Their district buys medals for such things.

D1: The parent wants it to come from the higher powers.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: This would benefit all other areas of the state.

D5: This is something done at the district level.

She would have to find proof of validity.

D14: If you call the school and ask if the kid has a 3.5 grade point average they will tell you that.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Anyone interested in making a motion?

No.

#### B. Tracker Program – Demos

D3: Are either developer expecting payment?

Shelly: Her person is reasonable.

D11: Is either looking for compensation and if so how much?

Shelly: In the end he would like some compensation?

D11: Is it something they would consider doing a donation?

D13: That is unreasonable to ask.

D3: One program is further along than another.

D9: Both are on track for what we need. They need to get with the board and give their price.

D11: Is there a maintenance agreement? What is the cost?

Shelly: Hers will support it indefinitely.

D19: We need to make a decision sooner than later.

#### C. Sub Websites

D19: We have sub websites for each district, D1.MIHA.ORG... Each one has a username and password. He will send it to you. If you have a facebook or something setup already, it can be linked. There is a template page for everyone. It has something already to start from. You can put whatever you want on it. Be careful of privacy. It will be monitored by the board and reserve the right to

delete things off the pages. You have 25mg of space available. If you have any questions, contact Brian.

You will need a web editor such as Word or Frontpage.

A link to the webpage can be put under your district. A good idea is to put a link back to the main MIHA page.

#### Committee Reports:

State Show: Judges are hired and contracts are out to them.

D3: Is Mark officially the State Show Chair?

Chair: Yes he is our state show chair.

Rules: We have not received any interest in the rules chair position.

If there is anyone out there interested in helping her and taking it over that would be best.

Changes are about done on the rules and is planning to pass it along to the board.

D1: Can we at least get it up on the web?

Chair: Yes that is the plan.

Junior Division: NP

Regional: Discussed

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: For the regional chairs, at least one was looking to run classes Friday night.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: It will cost us an additional \$200. In their eyes, each district is their own entity.

D11: It is her understanding the insurance expires August 31<sup>st</sup>. Will she have to call and re-up for a new certificate?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: You will have a new insurance form before your meet.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Please email him your dates for meets.

Mark: Have we researched Equisport?

Membership: Get any changed rules in and new ones.

Historian: No Report

Judges: Covered for states.

Pattern: You junior and high school patterns are on the web, found under forms. The one junior trail pattern has a canter. It will have to be changed to trot. It also has 9 movements, so eliminate one or combine one. Regional patterns hopefully will be out for next month for looking over and posted after the last district show. There has been some discussion on the state pattern but think it will be done the same as last year.

Maybe we print out the patterns but no laminate them.

Awards: 1<sup>st</sup> VC: If you would like him to try looking at another trophy company please contact him.

D1: American awards in Brighton.

Chair: We've discussed the horse before. Is that still the feeling that the horse needs to be metal?

D5: Can we change the sportsmanship trophy to something reusable?  
She threw out 3 this last year.

Finance: No Report

Nominations: No Report

Scholarship: D19: Any way we can open it up to not having to be in MIHA for 4 years?

Chair: We did say if they had been a groom one year they qualify.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: The original thought was to reward those who were with us for 4 years.

The BOD felt pretty strongly about the 4 year guidelines. It is open for discussion.

D5: Likes the 4 years. We still get 35-40 applications. She could see changing it if the application level dropped.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Is also in favor of the 4 years.

It's not a dead issue. We can discuss it.

Tracker Program: Covered

Chair: He would like to form another committee for marketing. He apologizes for dropping the ball on getting the expo booth. He did include a half sheet to place in bags being given out to school age kids including information on horse programs. These bags were being given out at the expo.

He believes we really need to utilize these channels.

D11: She believes we need to look into some grant writing and utilize our 5013c.

Marc: We need to use more social media.

D11: We need to find who the admin is of our facebook page. If Chene is willing to turn over the facebook maintenance to the committee, they can handle it. Social media is the way of marketing right now.

D13: One of her coaches made up a flyer and she emailed it to all county extensions and send it off to all 4H horse leaders.

Chair: We get a lot of people asking the executive board and we refer them back to the district chairs with contact information. We receive calls back stating there was no return calls or emails. Please follow up on those calls.

Chair: Is forming Marketing and Public Relation committee.

Michelle Yurk, Candice Russell, Brian Bode are the committee members.

#### District Reports:

1: NR

2: NR

3: Good

4: NR

- 5: 4 new junior teams. Anyone have Saranac in their district?  
6: April 20 junior meet, couple new teams  
7: Not Present  
8: NR  
9: 3 open shows scheduled, junior meets and district meets  
10: Going better  
11: Have her show dates. Has a team with a current senior going to school in Ohio and wants to be the coach of her team she is leaving. One part of the team is OK with it, the other part is not.  
1<sup>st</sup> VC: Until the person is 18 she cannot be an adult volunteer or coach.  
D3: You don't have to give up your team.  
D11: So what do you do in the case of a protest?  
D1: You just have to be as neutral as possible.  
D3: You will have some that will complain regardless.  
Chair: Do you feel comfortable having this girl as your assistant?  
D11: No, she does have parents willing to step up.  
D6: That is why you have a good support group with knowledge.  
2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We had a discussion about the age of coaches in the past.  
D14: They have to have graduated high school.  
D19: Does our insurance have a stipulation?  
1<sup>st</sup> VC: No it doesn't. Our forms say adult volunteers.  
D9: There are times where a graduating senior enabled a team to exist.  
12: Not Present  
13: Getting their kids ready for juniors. She is having problems getting parents and coaches to meetings. She is gaining schools.  
14: Lots of new coaches and some teams reforming.  
15: Going good.  
16: Not Present  
17: Good, couple new teams, judges hired.  
18: Not Present  
19: Good, judges hired for senior and junior  
20: Present

Correspondence:

Already talked about earlier.

Call to the Public:

D9: Specifically for the exec board. Commends the board for turning the organization back toward the direction it needs to be.

Chair: Thank you for the compliments

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion D17

Second D1  
**Pass/Fail**

12:59pm

**DRAFT**

**Motions:**

Agenda:

**Motion to approve with changes**

**Motion – District 1**

**Second – District 4**

**Passed**

Minutes:

**Motion to approve with changes**

**Motion – District 1**

**Second - 17**

**Passed**

Treasurer's Report:

**Motion to approve (No official report to approve)**

**Motion –**

**Second –**

Motion to Adjourn

**Motion: District 17**

**Second: District 1**

**Pass**

**20130309-001 Motion to induce another rider number level between 100 and 150.**

**101-125 \$3000, 126-up \$3500**

**Motion: District 3**

**Second: District 9**

**Passed**

**20130309-002 Motion to leave the region setup as they were last year.**

**Berrien Springs: 3, 15, 16, 19**

**Shiawasee: 1, 12, 11, 14**

**Midland: 6, 8, 13, 17**

**Western Mich: 5, 9, 18, 20**

**Ingham: 2, 4, 7, 10**

**Motion: D17**

**Second: D4**

**Friendly amendment to set schedule as such**

**Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC**

**Second: district 11**

**2<sup>nd</sup> VC: New schedule**

**A:3, 15, 16, 19**

**B:1, 12, 11, 14**

**C:5, 6, 13, 17**

**D:8, 9, 18, 20**

**E:5, 9, 18, 20**

**Passed**

**1 Abstain**

Tasks:

**\*\*District 1 to make cupcakes for the next meeting\*\*** 😊

Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Agenda

May 8, 2013 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
MSU Equine Teaching Center

6:20

Roll Call: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

Executive Board: 1<sup>st</sup> VC, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Secretary, Treasurer

Introductions: Terri- Jr Petosky, Mattie White, Lauren Koenig rules assist,  
Steph -D3 Treasurer

Call to the Public:

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve 17

Second 1

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Revision 9

Second 12

**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report :

Missing 13s numbers:

807 riders this year for junior.

She will do a comparison and email it out.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Believes 700 something last year.

Treasurer: Has all the patches, bars and pins on the list been received?

D6, D11, D12 did not give Fred the numbers but have paid.

Treasurer: Balance we have about \$64,000 before payout, last year we had \$4500.

We did not reserve the Ithaca facility for next year's annual meeting.  
She is willing to look at both facilities in Alma.

Discussion

Motion To Approve: D1

Second: D4

**Pass/Fail**

## Old Business:

### A. Tracker – Which application to use?

1<sup>st</sup> Vice chair : Presentations given, 1st \$3000 we get the code, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$900 developer keeps the code

D9: One of the main issues is we didn't have the code. Doesn't feel right not getting the code.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We are asking to have the program and the code but also give us exclusive rights to use the code in our organization.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We haven't discussed with the developer from option 2.

D3: When will they be done?

D6: Shelly used option 2 and found bugs. She is working with her developer to fix the problem.

D18: Out of the two proposals do you think they are equal?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Believes both will do what we want and be expandable to our needs but option 1 was not as far along as option 2.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Bill has not proceeded based on our decision.

D1: Has been in contact with Bill for option 1 and is in discussion for question and answers.

D11: Feels they were completely different. The user friendliness was better with option 2 than option 1.

D4: Agrees. Likes the GUI better on option 2. Can Bill adapt option 1 to be a better user interface?

D6: Option 2, Shelly works with the developer all the time and can get a hold of him any time.

D1: Bill was willing to drive to Milford and meet with their secretary.

D19: Option 2 has already been run as a test in a district which is also very promising.

D9: Hopes we decide something tonight so we can move forward. He doesn't want to do another year on the old system.

D4: What did you think of the option 2 run at a show?

Lauren: Shelly was making notes and already got with the developer to get bugs fixed.

D4: His assumption is option 2 is much farther along than option 1.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Reads Shelly's response to first use in an event.

D12: If we go with option 2, we could put together a You Tube video on the use.

D6: Inquires even if you have the code will someone be able to update it.

D18: So will both individuals be around to update and support?

1<sup>st</sup>: Option 2 said in the \$900 we would get 1 year of support.

D19: We should iron out the support to the applications.

D4: If the program is a workable program we should go toward that. We should have 2 years support and an additional fee schedule for enhancements.

**20130508-001: Motion to accept proposal 2 at a max price of \$1800 with a 2 year maintenance agreement on the original working program and a copy of the code with the agreement to not sell or share the code to any other entity.**

**Motion: District 11**

**Second: District 4**

**Yes-11**

**No-5**

**Abstain-1**

**Passed**

D3: What happens if he doesn't accept the proposition?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Then we go with proposal 1 and pay \$3000 for the program and code ownership.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: If he doesn't accept it we will let the DCs know via email and move from there.

D19: If it is yes, have him shoot a copy of the app to put on our website.

New Business:

A. Rulebook

Lauren-Possibly taking over the rules chair position. She worked with others on keeping pages down and changed where diagrams were located. All the formatting is consistent. Page count is the same.

1700 were printed last year, \$2664.39 for the same number of copies with the same pages this year.

Treasurer: We have about 200 left from last year.

D3: They ordered less because they didn't have them.

Lauren: \$2373.36 for 1500 rulebooks.

D18: Did the missing sections get put back in?

Lauren: Yes.

**20130508-002: Motion to order 1700 rulebooks**

**Motion: D1**

**Second: D4**

**Passed**

D19: Send him the copy to put on the web.

Lauren: Tells about herself.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Lauren is helping with the rules to assist Joanne who is still the rules chair.

D3: Will this step help in the future to get the rulebooks quicker?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Yes we can have the rulebooks much quicker.

D3: What is the estimation on having the rulebook?

Lauren: When she receives the final rule changes in February she can have the rules ready in two weeks.

Lauren: The rulebooks were quoted to be ready in 9 days.

B. Ravena

Request to move districts was sent prior to the winter meeting. Both District 9 and District 5 agree. The move was approved.

Committee Reports:

State Show: All judges are hired for the state meet

D3: What was the rationale to not letting out the names?

D9: Was to avoid judge chasing

Rules: Covered

Junior Division: 1<sup>st</sup> VC: Two districts about 40 riders each, 76 total riders. Asking for an additional \$350 to get a second judge. Need BOD approval.

D1: She has 81 riders and has to have 2 judges. They needs the second judge.

D18: Give them the money

**20130508-003: Motion to give D19 and D5 combined jr meet \$350 for an additional judge.**

**Motion: D11**

**Second: D20**

**Passed**

D16: Will these two district be separating in the future if they continue getting those numbers?

D5: If we redistrict we will have to split.

D16: He has 50, running 2 rings and a trail judge. They are paying it themselves.

Regional: 1<sup>st</sup> VC would like to know from the regions how many pins they will need. He doesn't know how many you got last year. Wants an accurate count.

Region D-225

Region B-250

Region C-250

Region E-

Region A-

1<sup>st</sup> VC-Tshirts:

Region A-150 last year

Region B- Order same as last year

Region C-134 last year

Region D-

Region E-234 last year

Membership: Receiving in rules

Historian: No

Judges: NR

Pattern: Patterns are on the web.

Awards: Going back with Action Awards. Crowne was \$20 higher per trophy. He will stay more on top this year.

D18: Recommends we stay with them.

D9: Junior Trophies?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Junior trophies are here tonight.

D9: Why did the pins take a big jump this year?

Treasurer: When she told people she didn't have the total amount ordered. She doesn't order everything and doesn't always have all the information.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We ordered 1000 pins.

Treasurer: \$1.34 per pin. It's time to re-evaluate how much patches and bars are costing us.

D9: There are those of us who adjust internally for two meets.

D1: That is what she does.

Treasurer: She will come up with a new number for the cost of each patch and bar. She will adjust the pin cost offset in the patches and bars this fall.

D3: Can we get cost sooner than later?

Treasurer: Yes, she will send it out as soon as she orders them.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Reviews dates with the DCs to verify meets for insurance certificates.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Patches and bars are ready.

Finance

Logo: 1<sup>st</sup> VC: We have a couple submissions. June 1<sup>st</sup> is the cut off.

Nominations: NR

Scholarship: Due date Nov 1<sup>st</sup>.

Tracker Program: Discussed

National Competition: NR, 1<sup>st</sup> VC: Received info for Ohio from D10

Promotions and Advertising: D11: Would like to put something in saddle up, full page \$192.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: We did put in a ½ page Ad last year.

D5: Because we are non profit we get \$105 for a full page for one month.

D11: Color add \$30.

D1: D1, D9, D17 volunteer to pay for the ad with color.

D11: Is designing the ad.

D11: We slipped through the cracks for the expo this year. Are we on the books for next year?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Chair said we were set for next year.

D12: Doesn't think MIHA's facebook page is being used as it should. We have people trying to sell things on it and doesn't feel it is right. What we need to be doing is lock it down and monitor what is going up on it.

D11: If she can get to be an admin on the FB page she can work on it.

D12: We could be posting information and point out things like picking up a Saddle up magazine.

You can post pictures from meets.

D11: Do we have any media release forms?

D12: Thought it was supposed to be part of the volunteer form, but doesn't know if that is accurate.

D19: We should have a release for any photos or videos.

**20130508-004: Motion to add a media release on to our rider registration form.**

**Motion: D20**

**Second: D18**

**Passed /Abstain-9**

D3: So we can use our pictures on facebook?

D20: We need to verify the photo before it's posted.

D3: We also need to make sure it is not a professional photo.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Just having a release is step forward. In our own districts DCs would know who is to not be posted.

District Reports:

1. 81 Riders,
2. Meet 18 and 19 of May, down riders
3. All is good
4. Meet 18 and 19 of May down to 44 rider
5. 43 riders, up 15 from last year. 2 teams do not have junior riders
6. Had Jr meet. 64 riders and 72 horses, nice compliment from the judge. Appreciated having the trophies on hand.
7. Not Present
8. Good
9. Had first fundraising show last weekend, 116 exhibitors, Junior meets this weekend, increase 40% in rider for juniors. Has a lot of communication with the schools. 3-4 people are making school visits.
10. Good
11. How does she get a copy of the current logo.
  - a. Google it and copy it.Wants to create a district shirt.  
It is her understand that Amy was the treasurer and DC. She now has a new treasurer and had issues opening an account. She opened an account with her name as the responsible party using an EIN. Is there any reason why she shouldn't tell her riders who the judges are?  
2<sup>nd</sup> VC: That is a personal preference.  
A big thank you to D5 and D1 for answering her questions.
12. Junior meet is this weekend. Has 33 riders
13. Not Present
14. Has 42 riders, up from last year. Has 14 new coaches
15. Had an old establish coach quit. The new coach brought on 14 more people through advertising.

District 20: Inquires how you publicize? She receives the ones who don't have the horse and are looking to be taught to ride. Where are you advertising, local paper?

D1: It's all how you word it.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Some use the local news paper. Most use the school network.

16.Down 4 teams but up on riders.

17.Fine, junior show is the 19<sup>th</sup>

18.Good. Outgrew the show grounds and is up to 55 riders

19.Double the riders, double the teams, couple new teams

20.Coops with 18. Did lose some teams but expects new growth.

Correspondence:

None

Call To The Public:

D6: All her coaches were informed that if they did not go through training for the concussion law would not be allowed to coach in the fall. The person she talked stated all volunteers for other organizations were going to be required to do it also.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Is there a fee?

D6: Doesn't know.

[www.Midmichigan.org/wellsport](http://www.Midmichigan.org/wellsport)

Motion To Adjourn:

Motion D1

Second D8

**Pass/Fail**

8:27pm

Motions:

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve 17

Second 1

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Revision 9

Second 12

**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report :

Motion To Approve: D1

Second: D4

**Pass/Fail**

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**Abstain-1**

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**20130508-002: Motion to order 1700 rulebooks**

**Motion: D1**

**Second: D4**

**Passed**

**20130508-003: Motion to give D19 and D5 combined jr meet \$350 for an additional judge.**

**Motion: D11**

**Second: D20**

**Passed**

**20130508-004: Motion to add a media release on to our rider registration form.**

**Motion: D20**

**Second: D18**

**Passed /Abstain-9**

Motion To Adjourn:

Motion D1

Second D8

**Pass/Fail**

Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Agenda

June 12, 2013 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

MSU Equine Teaching Center

Call to Order: 6:15pm

Roll Call: 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19

Executive Board: Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> VC, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Secretary, Treasurer, Rules

Introductions: Tiffany Harvey, Assistant DC  
11(T\_TEX78@YAHOO.COM)

Call to the Public: None

Agenda

Changes yes

Motion To Approve 1

Second 12

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve 1

Second 17

**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report

Discussion

\$20015 collected for Juniors. Still need 13 and 18/20. Return check from Hartford, a \$15 fee was charged. Net income \$10,200 for the month of May. Junior money collected is up from last year to \$20000.

Motion To Approve 1

Second 2

**Pass/Fail**

Old Business:

A. Tracker

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Been trying to contact Shelly and Jeff. Just yesterday Jeff sent a response that we could have the code. MIHA asked to have the code, not for resale but for our own use. What he doesn't have is the answer to is if we get two seasons worth of debugging. Shelly is

working with the app and thinks it is coming along nicely and is trying to find time to have a training session.

Chair: We asked the question on the code in March and we are just now getting a response.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: District 6 used the app and did have some issues but those are resolve to his understanding. If we have a working program by high school season we need districts to run both programs to make sure all totals are correct. The same would be needed of regionals and states.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Cost was \$900 without the code. No response on with the code. It's been 4 weeks on a response to an email.

D1: Is there any way to remove the middle person on this?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Is trying to get to that.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: The last response from Shelly was this morning.

Secretary: When can we expect answers to remaining questions?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Two weeks is the time frame to receive a product is the target.

(Introduction of Assistant DC of 11 and explanation of D11 situation.)

New Business:

A. Assistant Rules Chair

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Is clarifying and making an official motion.

**20130612-001 Motion to create and appoint an assistant rules chair to assist the current rules chairperson. All rules correspondence will go to the rules chair and then be deseminated to the assistant chair. This person will also assist the rules chair with their duties.**

**Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC**

**Second: D1**

**Pass**

KOENIG718@GMAIL.COM (Laura Koenig)

Chair: Has received some concerns about the addition only due to age and life experiences.

Laura: Tries to be very business-like and professional.

Chair: Asks Laura to be aware she may get some push back to her being in the position. Asks to please use your resources.

B. Saddle Up Ad

There is no ad in the magazine currently.

Rules Chair: What is the problem?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Explains the issues.

D5: Received a call from Amy at Saddle Up. If we want an ad it has to be in by Friday. She has, in the past, sent the information to Saddle Up and they design it.

D11: Asks what the purpose of the ad is.

Rules Chair: It's to get MIHAs name and information out there.  
There are many schools who don't know about MIHA or have a team.  
Chair: Asks if we need to change our ad from last year at all.  
D5: Is looking for the information. Full page add last year with logo and which districts and which district was in which region.  
MIHA.ORG on it.  
2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Maybe add if you're looking to start a team contact us by this date at...  
Chair: You can use the exec board email on it.  
D5: Invoice will get mailed to?  
Treasurer: To her at GINBEMONEYFIT@GMAIL.COM

### C. Annual Meeting Location

Treasurer: Did some research, Ithaca Community Center for \$125 per day. They have tables for about 150. We would have to set up chairs and tables and take them down. Last year we paid \$500 for the facility.

Chair: We moved from Mason due to numbers. We haven't had many controversial rule changes so our numbers have been much lower. She will look for a bigger facility to hold at least 200. Maybe a VFW or Knights of Columbus.

Catering: For the cost we paid last year per person, we could order party subs or sandwiches and have it delivered around lunch time. We could by bags of chips and such from Sam's. It was close to \$10 per person last year.

D17: Offers to order the subs if the meeting is in Alma.

### D. Redistricting

Rules Chair: On the table is a map with purple lines. Some areas changed more than others. Trying to keep the numbers between 80 and 120 riders. District 13 doesn't seem to matter where she draws the line it has about 40 riders. There is another marker, if you have major issues of where the lines are drawn use it to mark your issue. In order to be equal we need to even out the size of our districts. The people on the edge it is very hard to change them. The middle of the state is where the most changes occur. She doesn't know the districts well enough to know where the numbers exist.

She got numbers of 4Hers from Karen Waite and doesn't understand why our numbers in MIHA are low there when there are many 4Hers.

D5: Kent county numbers are distorted due to special riding programs.

D17: A lot of counties have every kid in 4H sign up for the horse project whether they were showing or not. This is done in order to have more state show delegates.

Rules: With the teal marker if you know of a show grounds which can accommodate the number of riders please mark it.

She is also trying to make the districts square rather than oblong.

D18: Are you dropping to 18 districts?

Rules Chair: 19 Districts

#### E. Stickers

D14: If anyone has any stickers have any they want to sell she will buy them.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: If he can have one he will some made.

Treasurer: It has been 6 years since those came out.

#### F. Rulebook Cost

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We are going to set the cost of the rulebook.

Chair: \$2.00

Rules Chair: That sounds reasonable. She will be sending them out with a letter to all the judges.

Laura: Will take the numbers taken today and create a spreadsheet to record orders and cost.

Chair: How many rulebooks did we get?

Laura: 1700 with 120 per box.

#### G. Facebook Page

Chair: Started deleting people and making comments about what it is for. He started receiving nasty comments.

D6: What if you make two groups so the users have an outlet to post.

D5: There are a lot of FB pages for advertising.

D12: We have other people leveraging our page to promote their own efforts. We need to get rid of that and make it our own informational.

D5: It is an open group.

Chair: Has to authorize people who want to join it.

D12: Anything they publish other can see if they like the FB page.

You can't convert a group to a page.

The best thing to do is to lock the page down as it is with a pointer to the new fan page. As DCs all the DCs are going to have to publish to promote the page.

D5: Would D12 be willing to take on the lead of fixing our FB issues?

D12: Agrees to.

Chair: Will give D12 admin rights to make the changes.

## Committee Reports:

### State Show:

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Knows the ads for the state show were changed and the form to order placed on the web. All the judges are confirmed and the schedule is pretty much the same.

### Rules:

Rules Chair: Two emails in the last two weeks, both instances where a rider doesn't want to ride by themselves and the DCs have said it is OK to ride with another team. Just a reminder we do not do cooperative in senior.

Chair: School district A is combined with School district B only for sports.

D14: If the schools are recognized as being one for sports we do too.

Rules Chair: Homeschooler done junior eq team for 3 years. In her district if you don't attend the school you don't play for their sport. Now she needs to form her own team. She would like two other home schoolers in another district she would like to combine with.

D1: She has one where all the students are in the same type of program but meet at least once per week. They combined as a team.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: They need to form their own teams.

D5: Reads the rule.

Rules Chair: They are a group

D14: Do they have an official name?

Rules Chair: They aren't housed in a particular building.

Chair: Person lives in one school district, home schooled, goes to the other school district across from her residence to take her tests. She doesn't get a diploma from the school.

D14: The school is only providing her a place to take her tests, not attend.

Rules Chair: Other than that things are going pretty well.

Treasurer: She was junior coordinator for 18 & 20. She rode for 4 years in junior as her mom signed her up in 5<sup>th</sup> grade stating she was in 6<sup>th</sup>. She should only have 3 years of eligibility in juniors. She addressed it but wonders if we should be policing more on this type of issue.

D19: If she fails a grade she could potentially ride for 4 years in junior.

D11: What do you do when a coach is limiting riders?

Rules Chair: What do you mean she is not allowing?

D11: She takes money and registration but never notifies of meetings and doesn't let the kids show when it comes down to it.

Rules Chair: As a DC you should take her to task and find the money trail.

D11: The families still don't have their money back from last fall.

D1: Start with the parents. Have them file a complaint and move through the process.

D1: She has an issue like that also.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: There is a part in the rulebook on how to remove a coach.

D12: Hartland coaches were removed by MIHA not the athletic director and it was upheld in court.

#### Junior Division:

Secretary: Sharon Greene resigned from junior steering.

#### Regional:

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Regional pattern selection went out yesterday and are being reviewed. The final choices will be made and up on the web after the final district show.

Rotating the regions for next year, do you want to pursue that?

Rules Chair: We should wait until redistricting is done. The one group who moves each time is at a huge disadvantage. She likes the idea of changing up the competition but it is at another's expense.

D5: The competition changes every year because your riders and teams change.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Maybe we should move 2 or 3 districts at a time.

D19: You will always have an anchor district.

#### Membership:

Secretary: Rules still being submitted.

#### Historian:

No Report

#### Judges:

Chair: We have one judge who we do not want to use due to past incidents.

Rules Chair: He has had more incidents since.

D14: Also, had an problem.

D6: Do you have a black list of judges?

Rules Chair: On occasion she gets questions on who is upcoming and who has had issues.

When do most people hire their judges? January?

Maybe we could meet ½ or hour earlier to discuss judges.  
Strengths and weaknesses can be brought forth. It will be helpful to balance out your judges for different strengths.  
D19: An eighth grader was a ring steward and received continual comments and one physical contact from the judge which made the person feel very uncomfortable.

Pattern:

Covered. The jumping pattern was a problem at our district.  
D1: Set it up for 5 strides and didn't have any issue. She would be will to go through and rework the jump patterns.  
2<sup>nd</sup> VC: They had no issues in district 2.

Awards:

No Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Has trophies back from A and C, need Clare and Clinton  
A Hartland and D Fenton for reserve trophies returned  
D11: Asks if we can reuse bases. Answer yes

Finance:

Covered

Nominations:

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair and Chair positions are up for nominations this year.

Scholarship:

No Report

Tracker Program:

Covered

Promotional:

Covered

National Competition:

Chair: Has talked with Wisconsin, they are still set on MIHA going to WIHA for a competition.

Rules Chair: It is a huge amount of resources to go for an exhibition.

D14: It needs to be a full competition

Chair: MIHA started the organization and feels WIHA should come to us first.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Ohio is starting up an organization also.

Chair: Indiana too.

Logo:

D5: Do we have any logos turned in?

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Has a couple but forgot to bring them. We will vote in July.

Chair: Asks about T-Shirts and the vendor.

D6: Has a vendor who is interested.

Treasurer: Light House gives us a royalty on his sales. They so far have been the best deal.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Looking up the logos stored in his email.

Vote 1 declares the two winning logos

1. B/W State - 0
2. White State – 4
3. Orange (Legs) – 2
4. Green (Mane) – 8

Vote 2 declares state winner

1. White State – 11
2. Green (Mane) - 1

Winner is: Bullock Creek HS – Hailee Nielsen

District Reports:

1. 80 riders in and out with patterns in 8 hours. All else is good except for Kettering coach cutting riders.
2. Nothing much, junior shows went well. Might have a revisiting team, Andover.
3. Not Present
4. We our junior meets with about half of last year. We are talking about going back to one day. Alix Ryder-Carroll was very understanding about having to cut a couple judges.
5. Junior meet with D19 is this weekend and had to switch locations. Went to Montcalm county. All is good.
6. Junior meet was in April. HS meeting was had and discussed patterns. Roughly about the same amount of riders.
7. Not Present
8. Not Present
9. Had meet a couple weeks ago. Rainy weekend and cold. Show was suspended for 3 hours and came back to sunshine. Rail classes during the day, double speed in the evening and rail on the next day. 75 riders
10. Not Present
11. Had junior show last weekend. Had about 36-38 riders. All coaches were friendly but one.

12. Junior meet at the beginning of May. Numbers were down but can understand why. Working to build relationships
13. Not Present
14. 42 riders, up from last year. Meet went really well. HS three returning teams,
15. Good junior meet. Judge approached him and stated she would never judge another MIHA show again. She stated if we aren't careful we would have numerous judges who will not work for our organization. The judge was non-specific, Laura Carrington was the judge.  
D5: States she is a very knowledgeable judge.
16. Not Present
17. Junior meet a couple weeks ago. Weather was good. No problems.
18. June 1<sup>st</sup> meet. It went well.
19. Same as D5
20. Not Present

Correspondence:

Chair: Still getting some correspondence on a state competition horse issue, but is now a non-issue. We cannot police everything but do our best to catch as much as we can.

Call to the Public:

None

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion 6

Second 18

**Pass/Fail**

8:46pm

Motions:

Agenda

Changes yes

Motion To Approve 1

Second 12

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve 1

Second 17

**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report

Motion To Approve 1

Second 2

**Pass/Fail**

**20130612-001 Motion to create and appoint an assistant rules chair to assist the current rules chairperson. All rules correspondence will go to the rules chair and then be deseminated to the assistant chair. This person will also assist the rules chair with their duties.**

**Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup> VC**

**Second: D1**

**Pass**

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Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Agenda  
July 10, 2013 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
MSU Equine Teaching Center

Roll Call: 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20

Executive Board: Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Secretary, Rules, State Show

6:09pm

Introductions: None

Call to the Public:

If the conference call works for this meeting we may try it more.

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve D1

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve D14

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail Passed

Treasurer's Report (No Report)

Discussion

Motion To Approve

Second

Pass/Fail

Old Business:

A. Tracker

Chair: We are having communication issues with the gentleman working with Shelly and Shelly herself. Several attempts have been made to contact her with little or no response. He has sent her one more stating we needed to hear back as we were leaning towards that app but if we were going to have this kind of communication issue we were looking to change which one we use. Is there any discussion?

D9: Did you give her a time line.

Chair: Did say he wanted a reply by today but understands not everyone checks their email every day. If he still doesn't hear back by the end of the week, we need to find a different option.

D5: Has serious doubts on this with as many times as people have tried to get a hold of her with no success.

We have been at this for how long now? We need to look at the person who is working at this more seriously.

Chair: Part of the issue with that is Shelly has been reluctant to give us the gentleman's name.

D9: Agree 100% with what is said. There is no reason we wouldn't have communication by now. If you don't have contact by the end of today he would motion to go with the other developer.

D1: Before we decided to move on with the current person, she was in contact with Bill and he was very prompt at returning calls and getting changes made.

**20130710-001 Motion to move to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tracker option if a response is not received from Shelly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tracker option by the end of this day.**

**Motion: D9**

**Second: D20**

**Passed**

D20: Do we get the code with the 2<sup>nd</sup> option?

Are we OK'ing the spending of \$3000 on the second option?

Secretary: Did we pursue the same options of paying less for the app but not retaining full rights to the code outside our purposes?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: 1<sup>st</sup> VC corresponded with the developers on that. We would have to confer.

Secretary: Is someone going to negotiate with Bill on the price?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Will get with Dennis on it.

D14: Is assuming we will not have a ready tracker program by senior meets.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Plan on using the existing tracker program at this time.

## B. Saddle Up Ad

D5: Emailed everyone a little cheat sheet. \$160 per page and something she had thought about. \$960 per year, each district would pay \$48 per year to advertise the whole year.

D9: He likes the ideas Candace proposed.

D14: That was for a full page ad?

D5: Yes

D14: Do we need a full page every month?

D5: No, but March being the largest it would be the best time to have a full page ad. November should have one for highlighting our state champs and scholarship options.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Thinks it is a great idea and feels we should make it a motion.

**20130710-002 Motion based on the sheet sent by D5 to advertise in the Saddle up magazine, each district be assessed \$48 at registration to maintain advertising in Saddleup Amended to collect at high school registration.  
Motion: D2  
Second: D1  
Passed**

New Business:

A. Rider Fees

2<sup>ND</sup> VC: \$65 + \$2

D5: Doesn't remember that passing.

Chair: We will have to check on it.

D14: It would've been announced at the annual meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Doesn't think it was at the state meet but at the last meeting.

D16: With the fact we did so well last year do we need to increase it?

Chair: That is a question. But we had regions bring in so much last year that we weren't going to ask them to do so much this year.

D14: Written on the agenda for the annual meeting it would be \$62 for senior and \$22 for junior and \$2 for grooms and \$2 for coaches, adult volunteers for insurance.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: He will have to defer to Ginny with the budget.

Chair: As soon as we are done he will call and verify.

D14: Remember Ginny recommended at one of our meetings as we did so well last year to keep the fees the same.

Chair: Asks if there is any reason not to continue it this year.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Had a conversation at the last meeting with the treasurer and discussed increasing it the \$5. If we have the same contributions from regional or similar to the organization we should be OK at the \$62. Without that the state showed this year in the black, but that was because we got the money back from regions.

Chair: Do we have regional chairs on line? Yes, do we feel the regions can make contributions back this year?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Region E should be contributing back about the same amount as he is leaving the fees the same.

Chair: With keeping that in mind, do we need a motion?

D9: Doesn't think we need a motion, we need to table it and find out what was done. It would be a moot point.

Chair: Let's table it until we get verification.

SS Chair: Wasn't it in the treasurer's projections to increase this year?

Chair: Thought so but without the information he can't say.

## B. Redistrict

Rules Chair: Got the map and made the changes suggested and would like to email it out. At the next meeting on the agenda we need to address the other issues with redistricting. Will the money follow the kid? There may be people who want to change districts due to the lines changing. Are we electing new DCs based on lines changing?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Went online and found the Intermediate school district maps by school. Google Michigan School district maps. Also has an alphabetical list and what county they are in. We put every school that falls into the district on the website regardless if they have a team or not.

D13: Does the map include charter or perocial schools?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: No only public

D13: If you go on the Michigan.gov site it should show all of them.

## Committee Reports:

State Show: Everything is pretty smooth. One judge is not going to make it and will make other arrangements. He would like to have our districts try to make it a little cheaper for the districts to advertise their champs.

Rules: Everything is packaged up to send to the judges along with a cover letter and will deliver to the post office maybe tomorrow.

Chair: Someone needed more rulebooks.

D11: Needs 25 more.

Rules Chair: Could she make a connection with Laura? She has boxes.

D20: Did we get rulebooks at the last meeting?

Rules Chair: She will be up near Traverse City in a couple week or we could send them.

D20: Would it be terrible to send them? She is planning on 13 or 14 teams. She asks for 10 books.

D11:

Junior Division: NR

Regional: NR

Membership: NR

Historian: D12 found updated needed to our history on the web. D19 is taking care of that.

Judges: Rules Chair: If anyone has hired Terry Delbridge they need to find someone else. She is unable to complete her commitments.

Pattern: Has received some from D9 but that is it so far.

Awards: NR

Finance: Chair: We need to better record our costs and document in the minutes.

D14: The motion was made on January 14, 2012 and the original discussions.

Nominations: NR

Scholarship: NR

Tracker Program: covered:

Promotional: Covered

National Competition: Chair: We are still trying to find a good option which is not highly expensive.

District Reports:

13. Is working on getting more kids and added a junior division. They had 6 in their juniors. Last year they had none.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Thinks 13 is at about 25 now for senior?

D13: Yes more like 20. Last year was 11. They have a new schools and Ogemaw is coming back. She just had somebody contact her about a rider who could form a D team.

Chair: Had two people from D13 trying to combine teams.

D13: From where?

Chair: He will send it via email.

D11: Had an issue with one of the coaches. Has any emails been sent about the Morrice coach.

Chair: Did receive an email from a unknown email and asked a lot of questions but wouldn't notify where they were from. Stated he wouldn't give out answers without knowing what it was referring to.

D11: She is going to let the coach go until something is produced.

Correspondence:

Call to the Public:

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion D13

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail

7:15pm

Motions:

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve D1

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve D14

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail Passed

Treasurer's Report (No Report)

Discussion

Motion To Approve

Second

Pass/Fail

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**Motion: D9**

**Second: D20**

**Passed**

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**Motion: D2**

**Second: D1**

**Passed**

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion D13

Second D20

**Pass**/Fail

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Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Agenda

August 14, 2013 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

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  
6:25PM

Introductions:

Tammy Beland – District 11

Call to the Public:

None

Agenda

Changes Yes  
Motion To Approve – D18  
Second – D17  
**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No  
Motion to Approve - D19  
Second – D2  
**Pass/Fail**

Treasurer's Report

Discussion  
June's balance sheet and income statement was printed off. Covered  
July sent via email and covered.  
Regional pins are \$1.40 per pin.  
Chair: Insurance bill was received as well as a questionnaire. If we  
do not select that all leadership is covered we have to provide a list to  
be covered.  
Treasurer: Please help out by putting all adult volunteers and coaches  
covered by insurance on the enrollment.  
Motion To Approve - 17  
Second - 13  
**Pass/Fail**

Old Business:

A. Tracker Update

Chair: After our conference call we received a call from Shelly.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: The program isn't quite ready yet. She asked to have a couple reports fixed. In the process of fixing it another piece was changed causing the db to not hold the slot sheet. They are working on fixing the issue.

She believes we will have a program which we can move toward web based use.

Shelly believes it will not be ready for this fall as there will be training needed when it is complete.

Chair: We do have the developers information, but since Shelly has been giving updates we have not contacted him.

D13: Has anyone contacted Bill?

Chair: He has sent a couple emails and received a response from him. He hasn't wanted to say we were done until we saw something from the other developer.

Chair: Shelly led him to believe she was going to send out a beta copy when the problem is fixed. Does anyone want to have a copy to work side by side with the current Tracker?

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: If we aren't going to use the program this year, we may want to have a few select districts work with it.

D8: Would like everyone to be able to work with it and provide feedback.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Would like it for states to run side by side.

D13: Will it work on a Mac?

D19: It needs .Net4.0 but you can setup a virtual session to run it in.

## B. Redistricting

Rules Chair: The map is always a work in progress. Fred sent some bigger maps of the school districts and she went online to look at school districts. She tried to average out numbers which will not continue to work due to size changes. She made a list of schools in the districts. There are only 19 districts right now. We can do 20 if wanted.

If you are a DC and we moved the lines enough to put you in another district do you want to continue to run your current district?

She doesn't know how that should be handled, whether by committee or other.

D4: School conferences within the sports, he has at least 6 teams taken out of a school conference where they play each other in other sports.

Chair: With Dansville, we don't compete with any other school in our sport conference.

D16: Has one team who wants the DC to fight to stay in 16. He has worked hard to build up these teams. These kids and coaches

all work together. How fair is it to tell them they don't have a choice, they are moving. We shouldn't be so hard nosed to say no.

Chair: How fair is it that your district of 101 riders competes against a district of 13 riders?

D16: They have worked very hard as a group to build up their numbers. Believes it is the wrong attitude to force this.

Rules Chair: She doesn't believe any decision can be made until this year's numbers are in.

It's always going to fluctuate. She still thinks in order for these kids to have equity, we should look at the sizes.

Chair: No answer is going to be fully correct. We have teams driving through a district to another district.

Chair: Everyone needs to live by what the committee decides for one year.

D4: Disagrees. To start cutting in to each district to even numbers.

Chair: Asks him to come up with an idea.

D4: You're putting numbers on emotions. If we aren't careful we will lose riders.

D9: Agrees and disagrees. As far as conferences, he doesn't know that we can look at that with a whole lot of weight. His district has been in conferences with different ones. Unless you are a varsity sport it doesn't affect the schools the same way.

Thinks there has been a tremendous amount effort put in to this. The same discussions will be had now as years ago.

D18: When would we look at this again as a whole?

Rules Chair: October is such a busy month, but that is when we would have all our numbers in. It is in the rulebook how this all has to play out.

D13: So are you saying district 13 will not exist?

Rules Chair: They will be absorbed in to other groups.

D13: Their groups were discussing their northern teams going someplace closer to them.

Rules Chair: Your kids have 100% chance of going to regionals where another has a 1 in 4 chance.

Chair: So what he is hearing is we should leave things alone.

D4: Understands the notion of districts not paying for themselves. He has teams which will double their drive to the fairgrounds.

D16: Has teams which joined because he campaigned to get them.

Chair: What do you think we should do?

D16: Look at the individual problems and address those.

Chair: The whole thing is a problem.

D8: Knows we've had these districts for 30 some years. Why can't we have teams who want to move to a closer grounds

approach the board and ask for the move? Why are we changing them now.

Chair:

Vote count was 6 yes, 6 no and 1 ab

D9: Districts 13 and 1 were the ones to cause the initiation of the redistrict. Maybe we just need to handle 1 and 13.

D16: Has an issue with it. Feels there is some personal issues going on with this and feels it is wrong.

D4: If we do go through with redistricting, every DC should get a list of schools they are losing and the ones they are gaining and the option to have schools stay where they are if wanted.

D19: If we give the teams plenty of time to object.

You do have to have some concessions for those teams who have valid concerns.

Chair: There was a point brought up that 1 and 13 were our problem districts.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: We are going to support 13 about \$30 per rider.

D13: They have done cost cutting measures like getting the rings for less.

D9: Coopersville coach approached the DC for 9 last year about moving. As a point of clarification, wanted it on record.

D19: Feels we are dealing with a lot of hypotheticals and not a lot of fact. What if we go back and looked at the numbers.

Rules Chair: On each list are names of the districts, not the schools in the districts.

Chair: DCs take the lists and come back next month with the review.

Question about schools districts, did the schools districts get put in to intermediate school districts?

Rules Chair: No, she did not do the intermediate school districts. She did individual school districts.

Rules Chair: Wants it looked at to see if the money follows the kids.

D13: If we are following the money, we all should have detailed records on what each kid brings.

Tabled until next month pending the review of lists.

Treasurer: Knows there are a lot of teams not in their right districts. Can you show which ones are not in the correct districts?

Rules Chair: No

New Business:

A. Kalamazoo Christian/Gull Lake Team Issue

D19: Talked with Dennis about a rider issue. Before a couple weeks ago, Gull Lakes has a rider for a Christian school/private school. She lives in side of Gull Lake school district. The rider moved her whole soccer schedule around for this. A second person wants to join which forces them to make a team. Both are asking for an exception for this year as it is happening so late.

Chair: Each year we have this problem and we've said no.

What if Kalamzoo Christian shows in D19? That solves part of the issue. This is acceptable provided she puts her differences aside with the other rider and forms the team.

D19: The rider has already stated they won't show with the other individual.

Chair: Then the rider has made the decision themselves.

State Show Chair: What if Gull Lake took them under their wing and had them stalled together?

D19: Will make that suggestion

#### B. Jumping Pattern Safety Concern

D19: At the registration meeting one of the coaches had a concern with the jumping pattern being safe.

D9: We've had this pattern before.

D19: It's a liability issue

Chair: How many brought this up?

D19: 6 or 7 coaches.

D9: The concern is from 6 to 7 right?

D19: What is the most concern to us, the rider safety or the pattern? The liability rolls up hill.

D9: It is their choice, the coaches choice and the parent's choice to enter the class.

Rules Chair: If the pattern doesn't fit in their arena well it can be modified, but riders need to know it will be different at states.

Chair: If you need to adjust it for your ring please do as long as the rider knows it will be different at states.

#### C. Slotting Rules

D11: Questions the slotting in the rulebook. On page 13 under division C team, it only tells us the maximum for 2 or 3 riders.

## Committee Reports:

State Show: Had to replace a judge. Is verifying rooms and stalls. We sent back stalls last year and still paid for them. If no one complained about the mini stalls, he will get less stalls this year. Encouraging districts to advertise their district champions. They deserve the recognition. The book is being put together by Matt again this year. District 9 wants the inside cover.

Chair: There is a link for you to send the ad to which will be put on the web.

Rules: Getting a lot of calls from teams asking if they can be a B team with 4 riders. The answer is no.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: A couple things we missed in the book can we get those to Brian to add to the web?

Junior Division: NR

Regional: Pins are here to pass out. Please take them tonight.

D11: She was talking with the county fairgrounds and there is no contract on file with the fairgrounds. The insurance is gotten.

D5: Chene was working to get the information from Todd.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Will call and take care of it tomorrow.

Shiawasee grounds wants insurance paperwork from every district at the meet.

Membership: NR

Historian: NR

Judges: Covered

Pattern: People are getting confused between the pattern in the book and the patterns on the web. It is pattern 1 in the book and the patterns on the web are one for each meet. The patterns on the web are not required to be used.

2<sup>nd</sup> VC: The regional patterns will be posted either Sunday night after the last district meet or Monday morning.

1<sup>st</sup> VC: Please let your teams know they are there.

Awards: Missing Hartland and Fenton  
Trophies will be ready by the end of this month.

Finance: NR

Nominations: No nominations received .

Scholarship: Provided last year's winners to the treasurer

Tracker Program: NR

Promotional: Taken care of. Ad is in.

National Competition:

Chair: Email received from Wisconsin, but nothing has been decided.

District Reports:

1. NP
2. May have a returning team, numbers will be up.
3. NP
4. Have a new team and a return team, 90 riders. Situation with a coach asked to step down due to wanting more practices. The coach did step aside.  
He would like to not allow a person to be a coach on two different teams.  
Chair: It is allowed.
5. Good
6. NP
7. NP
8. Good
9. Good, gain and lost a couple of teams due to proximity. Issue with West Michigan Christian and enrollment being worked on.
10. Some teams starting up and leaving. May have big problems with a family which may affect the team.
11. Lost two teams and gained four. One team loss was due to coaching.
12. NP
13. Up to 21 rider from 11.
14. NP
15. Good.
16. One new team and maybe a 2<sup>nd</sup> one. Ran a speed show, had 74 riders.
17. Meeting is on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
18. Up a couple riders and strange things with kids changing schools for better MIHA teams. Has a group of coop homeschoolers.
19. Up two teams and maybe one more.
20. NP

Correspondence:  
None

Call to the Public:  
None

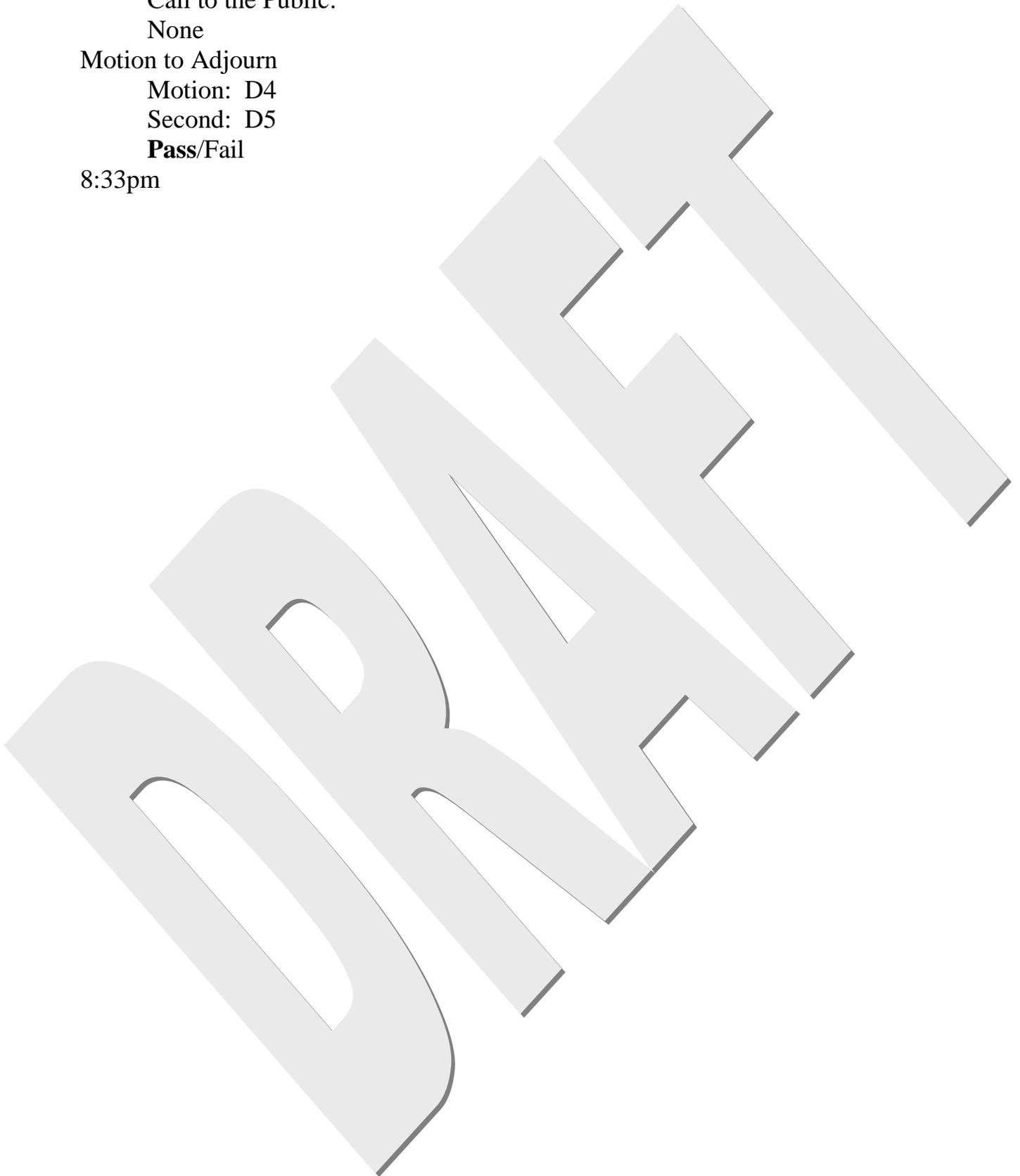
Motion to Adjourn

Motion: D4

Second: D5

**Pass/Fail**

8:33pm



Motions:

Agenda

Changes Yes

Motion To Approve D18

Second D17

**Pass/ Fail**

Minutes

Changes No

Motion to Approve D1

Second D2

**Pass/Fail Passed**

Treasurer's Report

Discussion

Motion To Approve D17

Second D13

**Pass/Fail**

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion D4

Second D5

**Pass/Fail**

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