

QHRAI Board Meeting  
Indiana Grand, Shelbyville, IN  
September 11, 2017

Directors Present: Butch Yike, Karin Yike, Dickie Benton, Jim Hurley, Jim Noel, Nick Johnson, Paul Martin, Dianne Bennett, Chris Duke, Vickie Duke, Stephanie McConnell, Jill Patrick, John McCreary, Vick Conway, Roger Beam and Teresa Myers.

Guests: Betty Haffner, Ram Torress, Wanda Schuelter and Rosie McCormack, Stakes Administrator

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Martin.

Board member attendance sheets & information packets were passed out. Inquiry was made about any new agenda items, topics for discussion added to the agenda were for two requests for sponsorship.

Minutes of the August Board meeting were presented for approval, Vickie Duke moved to approve, Vick Conway 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion was approved.

Jim Noel questioned the letter that was to have been drafted to invite other politicians to Quarter Horse Day when Governor Eric Holcomb was to be present. It was discussed but not decided upon at the August meeting, Karin Yike was volunteered to draft a letter, she accepted.

Gaming revenue report was presented by Vickie Duke. Chris Duke moved to approve the report, Jim Hurley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was discussed as provided by Dave Kahre. Jim Noel requested an updated break out on the SSA monies for the next meeting. Jim Noel moved to approve the report, Dickie Benton 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved.

#### Breed Development

Once again, it was noted that a representative from Breed Development was not present at this Board Meeting. Board expressed concern over the lack of representation, concern will be expressed to Commission.

#### Indiana Horse Racing Commission

2018 QH Application was turned in early. The application totaled 375 pages.

### Indiana Horse Racing Commission continued

The August 25<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting was very well represented by Board members. Mike Smith reported to the Commission about changes potentially coming with zero tolerance for clenbuteral usage; it was noted about the concern for contamination.

Also discussed the change in racing days, Indiana Grand will not be racing on October 28<sup>th</sup> due to the need to lend more support of personnel and equipment to Hoosier Park as they host the first Breeders Crown in Indiana. They will replace the lost day of racing with racing on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### Indiana Grand

A tribute to State Senator Luke Kenley will be held September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Farm Bureau Building, Indiana State Fairgrounds. Request was made for a donation to help with the cost of the tribute. Jim Noel moved to donate \$500.00 from the non-gaming fund, Chris Duke 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, vote was unanimous.

### Horseman's Meeting

The September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting will need to be cancelled, the meeting will instead be held September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm at the Receiving Barn. An agenda will be established, contacts will be made with those presenting, the new information will be posted on the web-site and word will be passed.

### Stake Nominations, Payments, Schedule, Racing Season

Rosie was present to discuss some of the issues she is having with entries. PayPal is getting closer to being straightened out, there are some steps still needing to be taken to resolve those issues. Dianne will check with the Accountant to see if the new set-up is acceptable.

She also commented on some of the problems that she is having with entries and this is causing a delay in getting the eligibility lists out in a timely fashion. Paul Martin suggested that the list should be published within 14 days of the payment date, any issue that has not been resolved can be listed as pending. That will also give those entering notice that there is a problem and they can make contact.

### 2018 SSA Committees/Reports

- Stallion Procurement - Teresa Myers, Chris Duke & Roger Beam - Letters to prospective Farms/Stallion owners will go out 1<sup>st</sup> of October.
- Hall of Fame - Possible candidates for the Hall of Fame award were discussed, Vickie Duke moved to accept Duane Walters and Rick Moore as Hall of Fame candidates, Dickie Benton 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion unanimously approved. More discussion on possible candidates for the Horse award, tabled until the next meeting.
- Year End Champion Committee - Jill Patrick, Nick Johnson, Roger Beam & Chris Duke
- Year End Trophy - Dianne Bennett & Vickie Duke
- Silent Auction - Butch Yike, Karin Yike & Stephanie McConnell

## 2018 SSA Committees/Reports continued

- SSA Committee (set-up) Dianne Bennett, Vickie Duke, Teresa Myers
- SSA Catalogue - Vick Conway - Vick ask about offering advertisement in the SSA Catalogue, \$200 per page (cost approximately \$50), it was agreed to offer the option.

## Committee Reports:

- Director Nominations
- Scholarship: Nothing new to report
- Membership: Nothing new to report
- Speed Sale: Catalog should be complete Wednesday or Thursday, approximately 55 in the sale. Vick noted after reviewing the contract for renting the facility he was able to renegotiate a reduced price.
- Awards on Track: Nothing to report
- By-Laws: Chris Duke questioned the Board about the by-law qualification for serving on the Board, of "being a member in good standing for a period of one year" prior to the elections. Discussion was held, no changes were made.
- Long Range Planning: Nothing to report, waiting on numbers.

## AQHA Challenge Races - Oct 13 & 14

Dianne Bennett, Vickie Duke & Chris Duke will attend

## Benevolence:

- Discussion was held about helping a Hurricane Harvey victim, Paul Martin mentioned that the Arthur Andrus family had been effected by Hurricane Harvey. John McCreary moved to donate \$1,000.00 to Priscilla Andrus, Butch Yike 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried
- Further discussion was held with regards to donating funds to specifically benefit horse care, Dickie Benton moved to donate \$1,000.00 to horse related welfare for victims of Hurricane Harvey, Roger Beam 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.
- Jim Noel reported that John Cloe was very appreciative of the benefit given.

## Sponsorships

- The October Fest Charity Committee has requested consideration for a donation, Jim Noel moved to donate \$500.00, Dickie Benton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.
- Amy Youngblood has requested consideration for a sponsorship of the KISS MAS Juvenile Futurity for Indiana Bred, Vick moved to donate \$1,500., Jim Hurley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.

## Other Business

- Continued discussion on moving the Sale to September and moving the location to the same as Indiana Barrel Futurity or at least in the close vicinity. Possibly move to Cloverdale, everyone in agreement to further investigate the possibilities.
- Jim Noel requested help with College Day on Saturday, their day will be similar to Youth Day.

Other Business continued

- The possibility of having a lobbyist represent the QHRAI interest was discussed, more information will be gathered.

Next Meeting October 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 5:30pm Indiana Grand

Vick Conway moved to adjourn the meeting, Chris Duke 2<sup>nd</sup> - motion unanimous! 8:45pm