

QHRAI Board Meeting
Horseshoe Indianapolis
Backstretch Café, Shelbyville, IN
July 10, 2023

Directors present: Vickie Duke, Jill Patrick, Gary Fouts, Abbie Haffner, Pam Hann, Nick Johnson, President Chris Duke and Interim Executive Director Teresa Myers

Directors attending electronically: James Hurley, Stephanie McConnell Tim Eggleston

Directors absent: none

Breed Development: Chris Duke

Guests: none

The meeting was called to order by President, Chris Duke

No Additions to the Agenda

Minutes for the June Board meeting were presented for approval; Jill Patrick made the motion to approve the minutes, Vickie Duke 2nd, approved unanimously.

Entered into the records... two email votes.

June 14th - Pay the Backstretch Café \$100.00 for the meals, tip, set-up and cleanup services. Vote was 7-0, two Directors did not respond. Approved

June 20th - HBPA would allow the use of the John Deere to transport people from the backside to the Paddock area if QHRAI make a commitment to pay the driver expenses. Vote was 8-0 to commit to paying the expenses, one Director did not respond. Approved

Financials:

The June Gaming revenue report was presented by Vickie Duke, Jill Patrick moved to approve the report, Pam Hann 2nd the motion, unanimously approved.

The Treasurer report for July was presented by Jim Hurley as prepared by Dave Kahre, Accountant. Vickie Duke moved to approve the report, Abbie Haffner 2nd, motion approved unanimously.

Breed Development:

Meeting - July 11th - Agenda will cover update on financials & approval of Gordon Mobley date.

IHRC

- a. Meeting June 22nd - Chris Duke discussed the VICI presentation to the Commission, other breeds spoke against, Commission requested comments be held for a later date. Horsemen's meeting - July 10th - more discussion about VICI, discussed direction for the Horsemen.
- b. Conflict of Interest - reminder to get completed.
- c. Discussion on invoice approvals
- d. Discussion about hair testing clarification

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- Indiana Horse Racing Hall Of Fame - Paul Martin was selected to be inducted into the Indiana Horse Racing Hall of Fame.
- 2nd condition book - should be out soon, Chris Duke & Teresa Myers were able to look thru the proposed book, checking for errors and making recommendations. Discussion on condition book and entries, trial dates for the 2 yr old Bred/Sired trials.

Stakes - Nomination, Payments, Racing Season 2023:

- Teresa reported that the AQHA Tattooer equipment has been updated
- Late payment exception request - Discussed by the Board and agreed that the exception could not be allowed.
- Quarter Horse Day - Discussed July 1st and July 22nd, questions on protocol, discussion was held about eligible entries. Unanimous Board recommendation was to allow all eligible horses to enter.
- Entry & Trial reports - Discussed issues with controllable variables

SSA Committee

- Auction report was discussed.
- Awards Banquet - February 10, 2024

Committees:

- Youth Day: Great day! Jill Patrick & Teresa Myers recommendation for the Scholarships based on their composite score of written test, interview and participation was for Riata Rouch for the \$2,000 scholarship and the \$1,000 scholarship to SaraGrace Toney.
- Scholarship: All paperwork has been turned into Accountant
- Membership: 281 members at this time
- Speed Sale: Set Up Committee: Tim Eggleston, Gary Fouts and Nick Johnson. Teresa Myers reported on consignments, coming in slow. Will push the web-site with the pictures/pedigrees. Discussion about wording on fees, fees are determined by consignor, not owner.
- Awards on Track: Nothing to report
- By-Laws: Stephanie McConnell - nothing to report
- Long Range Planning: Gary Fouts - nothing to report

Committees continued:

- Newsletter: Pam Hann & Teresa Myers - newsletter, discussion - every other month
- Web-site: Speed Sale updates, still gathering new pictures

Lobbyist:

- Discussion about plans for this year, a Farm visit, Legislative day.

Requests

- Request for participation in Senator Ron Alting's golf outing. Nick Johnson made a motion to sponsor a "foursome" for \$1,200.00 and \$300 for a hole sponsor, with Pam and a friend being part of the foursome. Vickie Duke 2nd, motion passed unanimously.

Benevolence

- For information purposes - the maximum benefit is \$5,000
- Discussion about potential changes to the benevolence. Table for future discussions

Other Business

- Executive Directors job description - discussed. Abbie made a motion to accept the Executive Directors job description with discussed changes, Pam Hann 2nd the motion, approved unanimously. Discussed advertising, Track Magazine, Speedhorse, and StallioneSearch. Advertise with bullet points.
- Backside meeting for Horsemen was discussed, Meeting will be July 22nd at 9:00 am, donuts and juice, Receiving Barn, with additional meetings September 2nd and October 28th (evening).
- Chris Duke praised Abbie Haffner for her work in arranging the qualifier postings on the video board.
- Vickie Duke discussed the Responsible Gaming representative.
- Open Board Positions discussed - Tyler Martin is interested in a Director position, Abbie Haffner made a motion to appoint Tyler Martin to fulfill the term expiring in 2024, Gary Fouts 2nd the motion, passed unanimously. Discussion on final opening that expires in 2023, will talk to a potential person, if she agrees, Teresa will send an email for a vote.
- Jill reported that while talking to vendors to set-up on Quarter Horse Days, Strides to Success has offered to host a meeting or retreat.
- Discussion about the meal charges, Jill made a motion to add \$50.00 to each bill for tip, set-up & clean up services, Nick 2nd the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting date - August 14th at the Backstretch Café (Track kitchen) 6:00 pm

Abbie Haffner made a motion to adjourn, Gary Fouts 2nd, motion passed unanimously. 9:26pm