

OHJA Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, April 9, 2007

Roll Call: Members Present: Skip Thornbury, Anne Thornbury, Jamie Barkhau, Matt Payne, Tammy Turner, Kathy Valentine, Maureen Fagan, Frankie Stark, Erica Staib, and Scott Dehelian.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Horse Show Rules II E #11. Pony Measurement. 2006 rule rewritten as: If a question arises over a pony's height and it has no valid USEF measurement card the pony will need to be measured by an OHJA board member and a veterinarian chosen by the board or a USEF steward. This will be done at a predetermined time and place as convenient as possible for all concerned. The owner of the pony must pay all fees associated with the measurement including, but not limited to, veterinarian day fee, steward day fee, travel expenses, and any miscellaneous expenses that may be incurred. After the measurement, a letter will be issued by the OHJA board to the owner as permanent proof of measurement for OHJA shows not sanctioned by the USEF. If the pony is proven to not be the size stated, the points will be rescinded from that horse show, retroactive to the beginning of the horse show year. This version of the rule passed unanimously.

Survey Questions: Board members are to bring several questions that will be put in a survey format on the website to gather input from the membership.

Website: Skip has talked to David Bridges about upgrading the website. The board would like to see an area for barn and show news. Erica Staib will work on the news gathering. All board members agreed that upgrading would be a good idea.

2007 Award Banquet Site: We will try to secure January 26, 2008 at the Marriott in Cincinnati near King's Island.

USHJA affiliates award program: The board will ask the membership for suggestions for people to nominate for the award. Suggested people must be a current OHJA/USHJA member and the nominator should send a letter describing to the board why the nominee should be considered for this award. The board members need to come up with a list of certain criteria to be eligible such as GPA, community service, sportsmanship, and personal character traits. This topic will be continued at the next meeting.

Perpetual Awards: The current trophies are to be retired this year. Whichever recipient has won the respective trophy the most times will be asked to retire the trophy and keep it. We will ask the original donors if they would like to replace the old trophy and we will ask the membership if anyone would like to sponsor a new one. The board will give out "keeper" trophies to the recipients and the original trophies will be engraved with the

winners name and kept in a safe place. The original trophies will no longer be given out due to the difficulty in getting them returned in a timely manner and to better keep them in good condition.

Horse Show Rule Clarification: Rule I A 8: Show management may not have multiple one day horse shows within a seven day (one week/ Monday-Sunday) period.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Thornbury