

October 26, 2020

Roll call: Scott Dehelian, Anne Thornbury Erica Staib, Judy Brentlinger, Aubrey Sears, Jamie Mills, Allie McBreen, Sarah Ash, Maureen Fagan & KathyValentine. Holly Helbig was absent

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

New business

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the recent request of WEC Ocala be OHJA recognized for 12 weeks of shows January-March. As background, OHJA began as a grass roots organization and shows typically approved were in states contiguous with Ohio and or considered within a reasonable/normal driving distance (i.e. Brownland). This request brings many questions:

- How much of the membership will benefit or be affected by recognizing these shows?
- Will Ocala attendees garner enough points to be impactful to year end standings for local competitors?
- Does this serve/benefit our membership as many won't ever to go to Florida?
- Will members feel left behind as there will be so few options "locally" to show this winter?
- Is this request in lieu of WEC Wilmington or, will show management seek approval for both locations simultaneously going forward?
- Should one management group be able to hold shows simultaneously in multiple locations?
- Should the membership be polled to see what they want?

Since there is no mileage rule or wording in the rule book to regarding requests such as this, WEC Ocala shows are approved. Covid-19 has presented us with many challenges. It is anticipated that issues similar to this will continue to arise. There are now more rated shows on the calendar than grass roots, local shows. OHJA may be at a turning point in the very near future and perhaps should consider adjusting the mileage rules to better protect "local" shows.

Banquet

A motion to cancel the 2020 banquet was unanimously approved. With the recent uptick Covid-19 cases, the board feels this is in everyone's best interest.

Ann, Judy and Erica will coordinate awards distribution. Perpetual awards will still be given. Kathy will have programs printed for distribution with the awards.

2020 Medal finals

There was a brief recap of Medal finals and OHJA Hunter classic. Many liked these classes being held outside and earlier in the season.

A motioned to adjourn and was seconded @8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Staib