

OHJA BOD Meeting November 28, 2016

Roll call: Scott Dehelian, Anne Thornbury, Patty Rogers, Erica Staib, Lindsay Yinger, Judy Brentlinger, Frankie Stark & Kathy Valentine. Sarah Ash & Holly Helbig were absent

Scott Dehelian called the meeting to order at 8 PM.

Erica Staib read the minutes from August 22, 2016. Minutes were voted on and approved.

Financial: As a long standing BOD, Kathy provides the necessary continuity to OHJA. She is compensated for her current time consuming, administrative role & does not vote. Although not the treasurer, Kathy continues to execute many of the functions of the office including banking. Presently, she is the only signer on the account. It's in everyone's best interest to add a second signer (treasurer) to the account and have Kathy periodically provide a detailed financial report to that person for review.

PayPal: Paypal accounts are linked to an individual(s). Is it an appropriate business tool for us given the length of a BOD term and potentially having to transition the account to a new owner every few years?? The current account is linked to a former board member.

Old Business:

Perpetual awards: Awards will remain unchanged for 2016 season. Whether to change (add/drop) awards to something fresher and more meaningful will be discussed at annual meeting in January.

New business:

Voting: Details were finalized for sending out ballots using balloteer as well as periodical email reminders to be sent out.

Banquet: Details were finalized. Patty will confirm with Robert's center. Scott has contracted DJ. Judy will handle reservations thru a separate email address OHJA@yahoo.com

Divisions: There have been some changes in the USEF/USHJA divisions. We will look at our divisions/specs and compare how they line up. Some of OHJA division names may change but specs will remain as is.

Non-pro: A 2' Non Pro division is under consideration for the division line-up. This is to accommodate riders that are ineligible for 2' "opportunity" (limit) classes at USEF rated/OHJA shows. Erica will write & submit division specs for approval.

OHJA medal: The minimum number of exhibitors to fill is now to 3 (in line with new Maclay point structure). The number of points to qualify for Medal finals is now 15. A new point structure will be implemented. Points will be given to 6th place. Points to count: 10, 6, 4, 2, 1, ½, 1st – 6th respectively.

Life time membership: There are some management & money concerns related to this. There will not be a lifetime membership offered at this time.

501c3 (non-profit): There are legal filings required to maintain non-profit status. Scott, Erica & member Polly Kesig will work on sifting thru historic files (boxes in storage) to purge unnecessary paper work and make sure all filings are up to date. A file/book will be created a file with all the necessary legal documents & historic filings. This will provide easy access to these documents should there be an audit. This will also be helpful in providing continuity to our organization as the BOD changes over time.

December WEC show 11/30/2016-12/4/2017-: The question was raised as to what show year points would be applied to. They 'll count toward 2017 show year.

Scout moved to adjourn @9:20. Patty Seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Staib