

SWVHJA Board Meeting
January 7th, 2019
Conference Call- 7:00 PM

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by president, Emily Guyer.

Present:

Those board members present were Emily Guyer, Luanne Leonard, Chris Mitchell, Sarah Irvine, Tara Deckel, Molly Moore, Catherine Daniels, Ashley Holsinger, Holly, Keplinger, Heather Weaver, and Executive Secretary Anne Johnson.

Meeting Minutes:

The November minutes minutes will be distributed by email and approved at a later time.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report reflected a balance of 16,916.27 in checking and 11,194.47 in savings. Sarah Irvine made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Catherine Daniels seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report was approved and filed.

Old Business:

RULE CHANGES:

Green Hunters: There was discussion about changing the height of the green hunters to 2'6" and 2'9". There was also discussion about including points from the baby green and green hunter divisions at A shows. Getting the division specs to line up from unrated to rated shows are the biggest hurdle for this division.

Number of Classes to compete: SWVHJA will follow the USEF guidelines for limitations of classes per horses as follows-

Rule HU 173 states:

A horse is limited to competing in a maximum of two classics or derbies or combination of classics and derbies per competition.

Rule HU 100 regarding Horse Welfare states:

1. The following acts are prohibited:
 - a. Riding an exhausted horse.
 - b. Excessive pressuring of a tired horse

SWVHJA would like to encourage Show Managers to act as stewards themselves to ensure the welfare of horse and exhibitor.

Number of Shows per Day: With the adaptation of the USEF calendar, the Board has taken a close look at the number of shows per day . The Board feels that currently there is not enough entries to have 2 horse shows on the same day. This will keep horse shows from taking away from one another and allow the best chance for each individual show to succeed.

Molly Moore made a motion, beginning in 2020, only one horse show will be noted per day. Chris Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Chris Mitchell made a motion, beginning in 2020, to eliminate the mileage rule. Heather Weaver seconded he motion. The motion was approved.

New Business:

SHOW MANAGERS MEETING:

Horse Show Committee: The Horse Show Committee would like to bring the following topics before the Show Managers.

- Appropriate Materials for Medal classes
- Review and Knowledge of Rule Book
- Hiring different judges

Ashley Holsinger made a motion to limit the number of horse shows a person can judge the hunter ring within the organization to 3 shows per year. Exceptions due to extenuating circumstances may be brought to the Board in writing. Heather Weaver second the motion. The motion was approved.

BY-LAWS:

The job description of Executive Secretary will be distributed for review and added into the By-Laws.

Chris Mitchell made a motion for division point tabulations to close on a quarterly basis. Holly Second the motion. The motion was approved

ADJOURNMENT:

Heather Weaver made a motion to adjourn. Ashley Holsinger second the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be The Annual Meeting, January 12, 2019 at VMI's Marshall Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, Tara Deckel