

State 4-H Horse and Pony Advisory Committee Meeting February 17, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Colleen Brady.

Those attending the meeting were:

Neasa Kalme and Jenny Newton- Area 11, Dennis Flock - Area 2, Dianna Hatcher -Area 3, Kathleen Koch- Hamilton Co. and Kathleen Koch- Hamilton Co.

Attending the meeting via IP Video was:

Jeff Pell- Area 5, Rich Chaluppa and Laura Petty - Area 7, and Area 9 at Tippecanoe Co. Kelly Brubaker, Marion Welsh, Pat Welsh, and Brenda Light.

There was a motion made by Neasa Kalme and seconded by Dennis Flock that the minutes for September 30, 2006 be accepted with the following amendments:

All area represented were in favor of allowing the third graders to return to the State Fair.

All area discussed the possibility of allowing each State fair entry to have 2 classes of their choice in place of one performance and one in hand class. Motion passed.

Specialist report:

Colleen reported dates for the Horse Bowl/ Hippology/Public Speaking/ Demonstrations are March 23-24 at the Purdue Campus. Entry forms are on the website.

Hoosier Horse Fair and Expo are March 30 - April 1

The versatility competition, Groom and Clean, Purdue Judging Contest entry forms are also available on the website. The Indiana Horse Council is looking for volunteers to set the balloons for the Cowboy Mounted Shooters and the event. You may contact them at wizkid@skynet.net.

It was also noted that the Horse Owner's workshop grants are available.

Other dates of interest were:

May 5, 2007 State Judging Contest at Hendricks Co.

State Horsemanship Camp is June 18-22, 2007 at Hendricks Co.

Animal Sciences Workshop are June 13- 15 at Purdue

It is also noted that entry forms and forms for special awards are posted on the website now and others will be as soon as they are available.

2007 Indiana State Fair:

The dates for the Indiana State Fair Horse Show are August 1st -10th

August 1-Junior Western Performance

August 2- Junior Western Halter

August 3- Contesting Flags and Poles

August 4- Contesting Barrels and Keyhole

August 5- Color Guard and Saddle Type

August 6- Dressage and Jumping

August 7- Hunter Halter and all Hunter on the Flat

August 8- Miniature Horse classes

August 9- Senior Western Halter

August 10-Senior Western Performance

All areas were encouraged to volunteer for a particular day .

Show managers for the 2007 State Fair are

Nathan Crane- August 1-4

Amy Kinsler- August 5-8

Dave Redman- August 9-10

Jim Baker, Bristol ,In. will be the first Assistant

Premium books will soon be available on-line.

Rule book updates:

A motion was made that the rules were accepted from the Western Pattern Subcommittee for Reining Western Riding and Trail as written with and amendment made that the scoring system for the western riding would match the AQHA rules.-- Motion passed.

The recommendations from the Gaited Horse Sub-committee were approved as written with the following amendments:

There will be no rowelled spurs allowed in English Classes regardless of breed. Breast collars, girths and brow bands can be embellished with colored leather or vinyl accents in English Classes.

Shoeing requirements will match the TWH light shod rules.

Motion passed.

There were recommendations made by the Dressage Sub-committee that the rules be changed to more closely match those of the USDF. They were approved with the following amendment:

Attire:

1. ... In extreme heat and/or humidity competitors may be allowed to show without riding coats At the judge's discretion. ...

Motion passed.

A motion was made and passed that Hunter Attire for halter is allowed to wear a Hunt cap versus a helmet as written in the current rule book to keep it consistent with all disciplines. This was considered to be an oversight in the book and to be effective for the current 2007 year.

It was also noted that all other rule changes will be for the 2008 year.

Due to the low attendance the Election of Officers was tabled until the fall meeting.

Fall Meeting date was set for September 29, 2007 and Hamilton Co. at 10 AM