

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
THE INDIANA STANDARD BRED ASSOCIATION
MARCH 8, 2008 - 1:00 P.M.
ISA OFFICE, GREENFIELD, IN**

I. CALL TO ORDER – 1:10 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present were President, Jack Holton, 1st Vice President Jack Kieninger, 2nd Vice President Sam Hedington, Brandon Bates, Sarah Conrad, Don Eash, Phyllis Edwards, Nat Hill, Carrie Hollman, Larry Rheinheimer, Doug Rideout, and Bret Shultz. Lisa Krise, ISA Administrative Assistant and Roger Young, ISA Attorney were present. A quorum was present. Guests present were Kelly Rousch, Jeff Edwards, Mike Brown, Jean Bryner and Andy Bryner.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 9, 2008

Motion by Nat Hill to approve Minutes of the February 9, 2008 Regular Meeting, seconded by Larry Rheinheimer. Motion carried.

IV. AGENDA

1. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

a. Hoosier Park Contract

Hoosier Park agreed to contract language requested by the ISA. Indiana Sire Preferred (ISP) will prevail as the condition for all overnight races. Indiana Bred will be the secondary preference for some races. Hoosier Park and the ISA agreed to use the IHRC definition of Indiana Bred as this is the current condition on which IHRC bonuses are paid. Jessica Barnes will furnish a list of "Indiana Bred" horses to the Race Secretary.

The board discussed its responsibility to protect Indiana's small trainers and breeders as well as the large operations that participate in Indiana racing.

The question of how the slot money would be paid to the tracks and associations was discussed. Under the present legislation that has not been clarified. Meetings between the State Controller and our associations will be requested to get clarification on how the industry will be paid.

b. Proposed IHRC Rule Changes

The discussion on the “clean sulky rule” resulted in the ISA’s position that this be made a track rule not an IHRC rule.

The Board questioned the need of the proposed rule change in “Out of Competition Testing” which states, “This rule does not apply to therapeutic medications approved by the FDA for use in the horse” However the board was notified that action/legal action between the IHRC and the HBPA may clarify the right of horsemen and the limits to which the IHRC may search private property without reasonable notice.

c. HHI Insurance

The high cost of HHI Insurance prompted the board to discuss possible options such as, looking for more reasonable premiums or higher membership fees to cover insurance costs. President Holton will be discussing other options with various racing states. He will report back to the board.

d. Conflict Of Interest

The President submitted the Indiana Standardbred Association Affidavit Of Compliance For Conflicts of Interest. The motion to approve the Affidavit was made by Jack Kieninger and was seconded by Bret Shultz. The motion carried by unanimous approval.

A motion was made by Don Eash and seconded by Sarah Conrad to approve the cover letter to the IHRC regarding the Association’s Conflict of Interest Policy and the oversight of funds received by the ISA. The motion carried by unanimous approval.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Pari-Mutuel-Brandon Bates.** Gave update on construction at Hoosier Park, the barns will be ready by move in date, fencing will be last thing done but should be up by race time. Hoosier Park stall lists were passed out.
- B. Fair- Sam Hedington.** Blankets for the Elite Series were approved to be ordered. Blankets are to have a minimum of 4” white letters on a blue blanket. Blankets are to have ties. It was noted that Bob Griffith from AAA Sporting Goods will be having surgery on Monday. Lisa is to send a card from the ISA.

C. Public Relations-Sarah Conrad. Horse fair – 2 table runners have been ordered, volunteers are still needed. Sarah will be making reservations for 10 for the board at Hoosier Park. Habitat for Humanity project in Anderson will be in need of volunteers for May 3.

D. Breeders/Owners/Sales-Nat Hill IV. No report

E. Political Action-Jack Kieninger. One of the provisions in HB1835 would prohibit horsemen from lobbying or making political contributions. This would adversely impact horsemen's organizations. Tracks have no such limitations.

F. Insurance-Bret Shultz. Submitted a proposal for Indiana trainer preference which requires a definition of Indiana residency. ISA Attorney, Roger Young will research alternative requirements for Indiana residency and submit his report to the board for further discussion at the next board meeting.

G. Membership-Phyllis Edwards. We currently have 306 paid members for 2008. The Chaplain and Nurse practitioner are confirmed for Hoosier Park.

H. Finance-Nat Hill. Went over Dec-Feb finance report.

I. Scholarship-Carrie Hollman. Reviewed changes in the Scholarship application and requirements. Motion by Carrie Hollman to approve changes, seconded by Sam Hedington. The motion carried by unanimous approval.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Sam Hedington to make \$1000 contribution to the Born to Trot club, seconded by Sarah Conrad. Motion carried. Sam will deliver the check.

VII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

Meeting date will be Saturday, April 19, 2008 at 2:00 pm at Hoosier Park.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Jack Kieninger, seconded by Carrie Hollman, meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm The motion carried by unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lisa Krise, Administrative Assistant