

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING (DRAFT)
THE INDIANA STANDARD BRED ASSOCIATION
October 16, 2008 6:00 P.M.
ISA Office - Greenfield, Indiana

I. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 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 IV, Carrie Hollman, Mike Merkel, Doug Rideout and Harold Ruddick. Lisa Krise, ISA Administrative Assistant and Roger Young, ISA Attorney were present. A quorum was present. Guests present were Mike Brown, Andy Bryner, Jean Bryner, and Kelly Roush.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 11, 2008

Motion by Brandon Bates to approve Minutes of the September 11, 2008 Regular Meeting, seconded by Sarah Conrad. Motion carried.

IV. MEETING AGENDA

a. IHRC Request for information

The ISA received from the IHRC a request for more information regarding the application for registration. The IHRC is requesting the ISA 1.) Provide a copy of the minutes of each Board of Director's meetings for 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008. 2.) Provide a copy of each association newsletter for 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008. 3.) Describe with specificity the purpose of the payment of \$10,000 to HHI projected to be made in 2009 and referenced in the document titled "2009 Projected Benevolence Income and Expense". 4.) Describe with specificity the purpose of the payment for "Health Policies and Health Compensation" projected to be made in 2009 and listed beneath the projected salaries for the ISA Executive Director and Administrative Assistant in the document titled "2009 Projected Operations Income and Expense". 5.) Provide any bond or insurance policy the ISA currently has in place or be putting in place. Jack Holton will provide the IHRC with all of the listed requests.

b. Fair Racing & Joint Breed Development and Advisory meeting

There will be a meeting on October 31 at 1:00 p.m. at Indiana Downs on the third floor. Jack Holton encouraged the Directors to attend if possible.

c. Elite Series

Indiana Downs is open to the idea of holding the Elite Series on a dark day pending the ISA's decision on the 2009 Elite Series. Sam Hedington has talked with several race secretaries from the fairs and none have objected to the idea of removing the Elite Series from the fairs to a one day event. A lot will depend on the October 31st meeting and the 2009 Fair schedule. The board agreed if the Elite Series is on a dark day, it should be scheduled so it does not conflict with fair racing. The use of a point system for the Elite was suggested. Nat Hill is going to put together a draft of conditions for the Elite and email them to the Directors. Jack Holton will check with Jon Schuster to determine if this would be pari-mutuel. Another factor in the final decision on the Elite Series will be when and where the fair races are scheduled.

d. Horsemen's Representative Salary and Requirements

The salary, requirements, qualifications and job description for the 2009 Horsemen's Representative was discussed. Only a couple of changes were made to the requirements/qualifications portion of the Horsemen's Rep contract. A few changes were made to the Horsemen's Rep job description as well. Communication and a keeping a daily log with problems documented were the primary changes. Salary was also discussed and determined that the pay for the Horsemen's Rep contracted position will be based on experience and decided after the interviews are complete.

e. Pari-mutuel race dates

There was a meeting at Indiana Downs concerning race dates for the 2009 race season. A tentative race schedule was handed out at the meeting. Jack Holton has put in a request asking Hoosier Park to open the track to the horsemen on March 1st. There will be a total of 80 days of racing at each track. Racing will begin at Hoosier Park on March 25th and end on July 11th. Racing will begin at Indiana Downs on July 24th and end on November 10th. Tentatively there are 12 days of crossover time scheduled. This is a huge increase to last years 4 days. Jack Holton stated that 10 days would be preference but he would have to check with Tim Schmitz on the 30 day qualifying rule to see if the 12 day crossover time could be reduced. Discussed was Hoosier Park's suggestion to have 1:00 p.m. start times on Friday and Saturday. The board was very much opposed to the 1:00 p.m. start time. Also discussed was qualifying days. The board agreed Wednesday and Saturday qualifying is a must.

f. Election

Election bios are complete and will go to print tomorrow. The election mailing should go out the first of next week. Ballots must be postmarked by November 5th. Counting of the ballots will be November 13th at 4:00 p.m. at the ISA office prior to the ISA's 6:00 p.m. meeting.

g. ISP/IBP/ITP

Several reports were distributed and discussed at the meeting in reference to slot revenue from both Indiana Downs and Hoosier Park. The percentage of revenue going to the ISA and breed development and how it will affect future purses was also discussed. Carrie Hollman and Doug Rideout are working on putting together a possible point/class system for ITP. They each have a list of trainers provided by the IHRC and will be running some numbers. This topic will be up for discussion at the next ISA meeting.

h. Quarter Horse association actions

The Quarter Horse association has agreed to pay their President weekly in the amount of \$400.00 per week. This action was discussed among the ISA Directors.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Pari-Mutuel-Brandon Bates. No report.

B. Fair- Sam Hedington. Sam has been checking with the fairs to verify types of insurance that they each have. Most of the race secretaries that he has talked with do not know what kind, if any, coverage they have. Roger Young stated that the fairs do have insurance that covers injuries to competitors and participants but that it is subject to the protection they get from the law that shields people from liability for injuries occurring as a result in participation in equine activities. Also discussed was possibly getting a workmen's comp type policy as well as other options.

C. Public Relations-Sarah Conrad. No report.

D. Breeders/Owners/Sales-Nat Hill IV. Nat passed out a report and discussed daily AGR on slot machines as well as other projections. Also passed out was a sales report from Tim Konkle's sale.

E. Political Action-Jack Kieninger. Mike Brown discussed the upcoming election.

G. Insurance-Mike Merkel. Mike will be presenting at the next ISA meeting a report that will include a dollar amount per person for the clinic he is proposing.

H. Membership-Phyllis Edwards. ISA paid membership is currently at 851. The ISA will be having a Sire Stakes dinner at Indiana Downs on October 18th and have planned on serving 80 people with a cost of \$720.00. The ISA had a membership table set up at the Indiana Sale to sign up members and pass out breed development brochures and Stallion Directories.

I. Finance-Nat Hill IV. No report

J. Scholarship-Carrie Hollman. No report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

The upcoming ISA Awards Banquet was discussed and will be determined on the October 31st meeting.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next ISA meeting date will be Thursday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m. at the ISA Office with the counting of the 2009 ISA Election ballots beginning at 4:00 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Brandon Bates and seconded by Sarah Conrad. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lisa Krise, Administrative Assistant