

Iowa Horse Council Meeting
Held at the Country Kitchen Restaurant,
NE 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa
June 23, 2010

The June 23, 2010 board meeting of the Iowa Horse Council (IHC) was called to order at 7:16 p.m. by President Paynter.

Board members present:

Harold Ault	Bill Paynter	Marilyn Bender	Kay Hines
Barb Zukowski	Dora Guffey	Rebecca Cordray	Steve Goretska
Dennis Crowley	Linda Spain	Sandi Moon	

Guests present:

Jim Bender	Shelly Paynter	Denise Goretska
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Minutes from the previous meeting:

Motion by Crowley, seconded by Spain to approve the May meeting minutes as mailed. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

No treasurer's report received prior to the meeting. Discussion held.

Old Business: none

Committee Reports:

- Horse Fair –
 - Discussion held on setting a 2011 horse fair budget. Ault provided a handout that showed 2008 and 2009 actual horse fair figures, the 2010 budget, and a proposed 2011 budget. Ault has a general idea that we did come out making money at this year's horse fair, but Telleen usually provides the final tally, as she takes into account items that Ault may not track. It was mentioned that we need to lock in the facility and clinicians, but with no budget, the committee does not know how much they have available to spend. Comments made such as we are not exactly sure where we came out with horse fair with no treasurer's report, can we even afford to hold a horse fair? Some felt that with not knowing if we made or lost money on this year's horse fair, we could not commit to a horse fair in 2011. The first question to answer then is will we have a horse fair next year?
- Trails –
 - Cordray reported that there was a good turnout at The Trail Summit with approximately 105 people there on Friday. Saturday was not as well attended. There was a good showing of equestrians and there were DNR, DOT, and other park managers there along with other trail user groups. Many of the park managers are concerned with maintenance of trails. It was mentioned that as local

trail users, we need to step up and at least contribute with sweat equity if nothing else. An example of a creative way to share trails with other user groups was a single track trail and on Monday and Wednesdays, the bikers used the trail, and on Tuesday and Thursdays the equestrians used the trail.

- Hines mentioned that the Federal Recreational Trail Grant applications are due October 1st. Hines now sits on the committee to review these grant applications.
- Hines reported that she attended a meeting discussing trails and overall development for Yellow Banks Park, which is a Polk County park in the southern part of the county. There were a lot of equestrians at the meeting and a lot of give and take in the overall plan development at the meeting.
- It was mentioned that there seems to be a lot of equestrian activity lately with trail development taking place or being considered with the Boone High Trussell Trail, Yellow Banks, and the Whiterock Conservancy (22 miles of trail, receptive to all type of trail users).
- Website – no report
- Membership – no report
- Awards & Scholarships – Zukowski mentioned that she received several thank you's from some of the scholarship winners. They were shared with all.
- Grants & Sponsorships – It was mentioned that several groups have directly asked for some sort of financial support for their organization or event (Master Equine Program and Iowa Dressage Classic) and they have been referred to go through the grant or sponsorship process.
- Publications – it was mentioned that the next deadline for newsletter is September 1.
- Annual Meeting – no report
- By-laws – no report
- Equine Health & Welfare –
 - Moon reported that she worked on a case in Guthrie County with the local Sheriff's office, Josh Colvin of ARL, and the horse owner and family. Improvements have been made in that situation and that case is considered closed.
 - Moon also mentioned that she was contacted by Birchwood, who has many breeds and species and wanted assistance in getting four horses from Iowa to Kentucky.
 - Moon was also involved with the ARL on some donated horses that were difficult to catch.
 - Paynter mentioned that on his trip back from South Dakota he saved a mule from getting shot. It has been relocated and it is now being ridden and is doing fine.
- Educational Programs (which includes Breed & Organization Liaison) – no report.
- Governmental Affairs – no report
- Horse Fair discussion continued –
 - Paynter placed a phone call to Telleen and he reported that we have \$70,000 in the bank. Not everything is compiled yet on horse fair, just a few things left to tally.

- Discussion held regarding wording of show contracts, could enter into a horse fair contract much the same, with an out clause and this would allow the committee to start lining up clinicians until a horse fair budget can be locked in. Some felt this would not work.
- Discussion held if there is anything in the by-laws about an officer not attending meetings, some frustration expressed with no treasurer's report.
- Motion by Ault to accept the 2011 budget as proposed with the understanding that it can be amended in the future, seconded by Spain. 7 ayes, 3 nays, motion carried.

New Business: none

Next Meeting:

Discussion held on the next meeting date and possible locations. It was decided to hold the next meeting July 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Country Kitchen Restaurant on N.E. 14th Street.

Motion by Bender to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Spain. All ayes, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Dora Guffey
IHC Secretary