

Iowa Horse Council Meeting  
Held at the Sports Page Restaurant  
Indianola, Iowa  
March 20, 2011

Corrected Minutes as approved at the 4-20-2011 meeting.

The March 20, 2011 board meeting of the Iowa Horse Council (IHC) was called to order at 2:20 p.m. by President Paynter.

Board members present:

Harold Ault	Bill Paynter	Marilyn Bender
Barb Zukowski	Dora Guffey	Rebecca Cordray
Dennis Crowley	Kim Houlding	Kay Hines

Minutes from the Previous Meeting:

The minutes from the February 20, 2011 meeting were mailed/e-mailed out prior to the meeting. Motion by Cordray, seconded by Zukowski to approve the February meeting minutes as mailed/e-mailed. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was provided. Motion by Hines, seconded by Crowley to approve the treasurer's report as presented. All ayes, motion carried. Some brief discussion held on the format of the report.

Old Business:

Discussion held on information that was mentioned at the annual meeting regarding a Horsemen's Association ([replace Association with Coalition](#)). Paynter will follow-up with the Vail's ([and add – and send a letter of support of the Horsemen's Coalition](#)).

Houlding joined the meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Horse Fair –
  - Ault mentioned that we have been able to cut a lot of expenses, have some new sources of income, will be using the east arena a lot this year, and vendor booths are still coming in.
  - Hines reported that the Queen contests are coming along fine.
- Trails –
  - Hines mentioned that there will be another Trail Summit to be held at UNI on June 17 & 18, 2011. Bill Paynter will be approached to speak again, and the Black Hawk County Pony Club will be bringing their horses for the Saturday demo this year.
- Website – no report
- Membership – Zukowski reported that we have received approximately 70 individual memberships and they are still coming in.

Bender joined the meeting. A question was asked regarding if the remaining funds were now included in the balance(s) shown on the treasurer's report and the answer is yes, and the old checking account is now closed out.

- Awards & Scholarships –
  - Zukowski mentioned that results of the award winners were received back. Both Dick Sparrow and Dick Walling ([correct spelling to Wallen](#)) were selected as Hall of Fame winners. Discussion held of what is posted out at Prairie Meadows. A letter of recognition/appreciation for Lynette Telleen was also discussed. Cordray and Zukowski will check on her number of years of service.
  - Zukowski mentioned that the two scholarship winners were selected out of five applicants. The winners, Molly Foley and Abby Smith will each receive a \$500 scholarship.
- Grants & Sponsorships – Guffey mentioned that there is nothing to report at this time.
- Publications – Cordray reported that the newsletter was sent out recently.
- Educational Programs (which includes Breed & Organization Liaison) – no report
- By-laws – no report
- Nominations – no report
- Annual Meeting & Silent Auction – no report
- Equine Health & Welfare – Discussion held on Houlding's attendance at a recent meeting in Las Vegas. She stated that people need to know what kind of commitment they are making when they get a horse. It was discussed that we could post information on our website of what it costs to care for a horse for a year, where to get information on rescues, etc. Houlding learned a lot, got a better perception of the magnitude of the situation out west reference abandoned and stray horses. Houlding will write up something regarding references for the website and newsletter. Many mentioned that her article in the last newsletter was very informative.
- Educational Programs (which includes Breed & Organization Liaison) – no report.
- Governmental Affairs – Ault mentioned that there is talk of taking the sales tax off of horses. This is a weight ([correct spelling to ways](#)) and means bill, unsure of the status right now.
- Historian – no report

#### New Business:

- Paynter read correspondence dated March 8, 2011, from Sally Blount regarding her resignation from the board.
- Discussion held on our current number of board members and if we want to appoint anyone. The by-laws allow us to appoint someone to fill the rest of Blount's term. Discussion held that Eric Verwers ([correct spelling to Viers](#)) was a possibility, and general consensus was to approach him to see if he is interested.
- Houlding mentioned that she just returned from Kentucky where she attended a Livestock Abuse Investigator Training, which was sponsored by the equine, cattle, and hog producers. Producers are being pro-active rather than letting someone else dictate how things will be and the producers may work to try to train the investigators.
- Houlding also relayed information about the Kentucky Equine Networking Association (KENA). This is a group that is working to provide an educational and social venue for equine professionals and various disciplines.

#### Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held April 20, 2011, at the Jester Park Equestrian Center in Granger.

Motion by Hines to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Crowley. All ayes, the motion carried.  
The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Dora Guffey, IHC Secretary