

Genesee County 4-H Horse Leaders Association Show Planning Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2017 6:00pm

Genesee County MSU Extension 605 N Saginaw St #1a, Flint, MI 48502

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

Clubs present: Mane Connection, Fenton Wranglers, Genesee Equestrians

Clubs Absent: Equine Excellence, Genesee Chupacabras, Trail Blazers, Lone Rangers

I. Pledges and Roll Call

II. Proposed Show Changes

- a. Kirsten Lahti moved to “change the May Warm and Fuzzy showbill to the same 2-Day showbill as our open shows, but keep it no show clothes as a practice show. This show will still count as a point show for year end highpoint and state candidates. The Second June Open Show will be removed.” All were in favor, motion passed.
- b. Kirsten Lahti moved to “remove classes 23, 35, 38, and 43 from the Open Showbill and move Dressage to end of the day Saturday and run it in the main arena.” Motion Failed
- c. Sienna Lahti moved to “remove class 23 from the Open Showbill and move Dressage to end of the day Saturday and run it in the main arena.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. Cost saving on eliminating second Saturday judge approximated at \$300-\$400
- d. Miranda Joseph moved to “move Trail classes to before lunch break on Sunday of the Open Showbill and run in the main arena.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. Cost saving on eliminating second Sunday judge approximated at \$300-\$400
- e. Miranda Joseph moved to “keep reining and English/western riding pattern on the showbill for 2018 and provide better volunteer training ahead of time to reduce the time it takes to setup for these classes.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. Karen Wait will be contacted to see if we are able to use the MIHA Reining pattern or if we need to use the reining patterns provided in the 4-H rulebook.
- f. Sienna Lahti moved to “pay for the use of the Open Barn for 2018 so that stall stripping is no longer required after the show.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. The Open barn costs ~ \$150/day (\$450 for weekend). This cost is covered by the \$600-\$800 that will be saved a weekend by cutting out separate dressage and trail judges.

III. Proposed Rule Changes

- a. Miranda Joseph moved to “table further discussion on the ability to have two project horses until more information is gathered from sate.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. Need to know if both project horses can qualify for the state 4-H show and if they both have the May designation deadline. Also would need to consider how it would affect our show rules, highpoints, etc.
- b. Kristina Jordan moved to “allow sharing a project horse between two w/t/c riders. Rules/guidelines will be developed to promote appropriate horse stewardship at the shows.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - i. Heidi Locke requested that any rules on horse stewardship/equine welfare be sent to state for approval before they are passed.

IV. New Business

- a. Information on alternate show locations was requested. The research has been done once before and the information that was collected will be made available to the members.
- b. Show dates
  - i. Kirsten Lahti moved to “hold the GCHLA Warm and Fuzzy Open Show on May 5-6, 2018.” All were in favor, motion passed.
  - ii. Gracie Jordan moved to “hold the GCHLA Open Show on June 2-3, 2018.” All were in favor, motion passed.
- c. Kristina Jordan moved to “keep show fees the same for 2018.” All were in favor, motion passed.
- d. Kirsten Lahti moved to “hold second Show Planning Meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00pm to cover the Achievement Days Showbill and GCHLA Rules and Regulations.” All were in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm