



KHJA Annual Meeting
December 5, 2020

Lakeside Arena, Versailles, KY, and via Zoom

Board members in attendance: President Joyce Brinsfield, Vice President Julie Moses, Point Secretary Mark Llewellyn, Secretary/Treasurer Sarah Coleman, Leea Bridgeman, Bruce Brown, Trena Kerr, Maria Kneipp, Melisa Murphy, Keedle Ritter-Konopka, Elaine Schott, Sara Spry, Dave Warner, Ashley Watts

Absent: JP Bordeleau, Diana Conlon, Missy Jo Hollingsworth, Maria Kabel, Jennifer Kraemer, Alex Nelson, Natassia Stallings

The 2020 KHJA Annual Meeting was held both in-person at Lakeside Arena in Versailles, KY, and via Zoom conference call. The meeting was called to order at 7.03 by President Joyce Brinsfield.

The 2019 Annual Meeting minutes were read on screen. Sara Spry motioned that the minutes be approved; Keedle Ritter-Konopka seconded. None was opposed.

The treasurer's report was given by Sarah Coleman. Sara Spry motioned to approve the report; Keedle Ritter-Konopka seconded. None was opposed.

Committee Reports:

Banquet Committee:

Keedle Ritter-Konopka reported. The committee decided to offer gift cards to Champion and Reserve winners so they might choose their gift. This will save exponentially on shipping fees incurred by KHJA. Joyce Brinsfield will handle the Overall Winner awards by contacting Ouisha for custom awards. Ribbons, gift cards and overall awards will be mailed by Sarah Coleman.

Scholarship Committee:

Joyce Brinsfield reported that the 2021 KHJA scholarship will go forward as planned, though no silent auction (the main funding mechanism for the scholarship) will not take place in 2021.

Fall Classic Committee:

Joyce Brinsfield reported. The committee is organizing for the 2021KHJA Fall Classic and Medal Finals. JP Bordeleau will no longer be managing the show, so bids will be taken for a new manager.

Junior Committee:

Ashley Watts reported. The Juniors didn't do much this year with the pandemic, but plans for 2021 include encouraging the use of the KHJA Juniors Instagram account and launching a KHJA membership Instagram account. Ashley suggested that targeted email blasts to Juniors could be beneficial in engaging them.

LegUp Committee:

Maria Kneipp reported. There were four LegUP grant applications. The deadline for 2021 will be adjusted so that it is the same deadline as the USHJA Horsemanship Quiz (the date rolled for 2020 as USHJA had expanded the deadline to allow more people to participate).

Nominations Committee:

Joyce Brinsfield reported that Kristine Urschel has stepped off the KHJA Board.

Old Business:

Mark Llewellyn reported on points and 2020 wrap up. Joyce Brinsfield suggested that each Board members encourage their barn members to contact them (barn owner/trainer) if they have point questions before emailing Mark.

Joyce Brinsfield reported on the success of the COVID protocols for horse shows. She noted that Bruce Brown, David Warner and Holly Baumhover reviewed mandates again as Kentucky goes into another lockdown; they conclude that horse shows fall within requirements for functioning as long as "Healthy at Work" guidelines issued in June are followed. This included mandatory masking at horse shows, social distancing, random temperature checks and signed waivers.

New Business:

Rule changes

- The addition of Beginning Jumpers was proposed. Trena voiced concern about encouraging younger riders to ride for speed. It was suggested that the addition be modified to include that penalties will be incurred if the horse-and-rider combination go too quickly. Keedle Ritter-Konopka motioned for Beginning Jumper to be added with caveats in place to keep riders safe. Sara Spry seconded. Trena Kerr was opposed. Joyce noted that the Rules Committee will draft the verbiage of the new division.
- Ashley Watts suggested that at horse shows where the third class is a classic that KHJA points be awarded for that class. This will be in line with other championship points. Melissa Murphy motioned to approve this addition; Keedle Ritter-Konopka seconded. None was opposed.
- David Warner motioned that Long Stirrup be added to Regular Division of KHJA. Bruce Brown seconded. None was opposed.
- "Amateur Owner" will be added to the Junior section.
- Melissa Murphy motioned that no more than one person per state can be the "Out of State Representative" on the KHJA Board. Bruce Brown seconded.

Additional Changes:

Keedle Ritter-Konopka motioned that the KHJA Bylaws be changed to specify that no more than two (2) members from a barn can be on the KHJA Board at one time.

Bruce Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting and Melissa Murphy seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7.41 p.m.