

**NIHJA Annual Board Meeting  
October 23, 2017**

NIHJA Board Members present: Kristie Hohol, Alexis Bumbar, Nancy Zeis, Liz Calomino, Jen Heldt, Lynn Greetis, Val Kinsella, Toni Bruns, Sari Reid, Hannah Johnson, Tasha Lasiowski, Dean Battaglia

Meeting called to order at 6:11 pm

Treasurer's report – \$12,814.94

New Business:

467 Members in the association for the 2017 year.

Stable Membership

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 3 (Dues & Fees), Letter A (excerpt).**

Current Wording:

"Additionally in order for a member rider and their nominated horse's points to count their trainer must be an NIHJA Individual member or have a Stable Membership."

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

"In order for a member rider and their nominated horse's points to count, their trainer of record must be a NIHJA Individual member, a NIHJA Trainer member, or the nominated trainer on a NIHJA Stable Membership. A NIHJA Trainer membership will not include any nominated horses. A NIHJA Stable membership will be for horses only and will include one trainer."

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 7 (Recognized Shows), Letter E (excerpt).**

Current Wording:

"Show management requesting dates at the Annual Meeting must meet the following requirements. Show Management eligible for the first drawing must be a member in good standing in the current year and that held a recognized NIHJA show with at least 40 NIHJA member entries. If a show management receives less than 40 NIHJA member entries on the Monday prior to their horse show, show management will have the option to cancel the show or run it as. Either way the decision will not effect their first round draw eligibility for the following year provided that the following year the 40 horse minimum is reached."

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

"Show management requesting dates at the Annual Meeting must meet the following requirements. Show Management eligible for the first drawing must be a member in good standing in the current year and have held a recognized NIHJA show with at least 40 NIHJA member riders. Failure to meet the 40 NIHJA member rider minimum for one year will not result in a loss of first round draw eligibility. Failure to meet the 40 NIHJA member rider minimum for two consecutive years will result in a loss of first round show date draw eligibility. If a Show Management will not meet the 40 NIHJA member rider minimum and chooses to cancel the show, the deadline to cancel the show without penalty will be the Monday prior to the competition at 5pm. The NIHJA President, NIHJA Association Secretary, and all trainers of received entries and stall reservations must receive notification of cancellation by that time. Show management will incur a fine of \$250 if this rule is violated. Exceptions will be considered by the NIHJA Board in cases of extreme circumstances."

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 8 (Show Management Responsibilities), Letters H and I.**

Current Wording:

"H. The Judge's cards, exhibitors list, protests and championship point calculation sheets must be given to the Points Secretary, President or the Association Secretary at the end of each show.

I. Non-member fees collected as per Section 3E must be given to the Points Secretary, President or the

Association Secretary at the end of each show.”

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

“H. The new NIHJA membership forms, checks or cash from new NIHJA memberships, all collected non-member fees, all collected Medal fees, and all protests must be either given in person to the NIHJA President, Secretary/Treasurer, or Point Secretary at the end of the show, or mailed to the NIHJA Secretary/Treasurer with a postmark dated no later than the Tuesday following the horse show. Failure to provide the materials within the specified time will incur a fee consistent with Section 7, Letter N.

I. The list of non-members (including trainers), list of results by class, list of Champion and Reserve prizes for each division, list of entries by number, list of entries by trainer, and all judge’s cards must be either given in person to the NIHJA President, Secretary/Treasurer, or Point Secretary at the end of the show, or mailed to the NIHJA Points Secretary with a postmark dated no later than the Tuesday following the horse show. Additionally, the Show Secretary must provide, for all combined classes, which age group each rider belongs in. Failure to provide the materials within the specified time will incur a fee consistent with Section 7, Letter N.”

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 8 (Show Management Responsibilities), Letter K (Division), letter b (Optional Divisions), number 30.**

Current Wording:

“Limit Adult Rider Equitation - Fences not to exceed 2’3”. Riders cannot show higher than 2’9” at that show. Open to adult riders who are of amateur status.”

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

“Limit Adult Rider Equitation – Fences not to exceed 2’3”. Riders cannot show higher than 2’9” at that show. Open to adult riders who are of amateur status. Riders may not cross enter into the Amateur Adult Equitation Division.”

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 8 (Show Management Responsibilities) Letter K (excerpt)**

Current Wording:

“Division: Recognized shows must offer the six (6) Mandatory Divisions and the five (5) Medal Classes as shown below with a minimum of three (3) classes per hunter division, two (2) classes per equitation division and can select any other NIHJA division, classes, or any other division or classes as necessary.

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

“Division: Recognized shows must offer the six (6) Mandatory Divisions and the five (5) Medal Classes shown below with a minimum of three (3) classes per hunter division, two (2) classes per equitation division, two (2) classes per jumper division, and can select any other NIHJA divisions, classes, or any other divisions or classes are necessary.”

**Proposed Rule Change: Section 8 (Show Management Responsibilities) Letter Q**

Current Wording

“Jumper Classes: Not more than three (3) NIHJA rated jumper classes per day be offered. This does not included Classics, Pony, Low Jumper. Exception to this rule: If there is a safety issue with darkness or weather, classes may be moved to a different day.

Proposed Wording: **Motion Passed**

“Jumper Classes: Not more than three (3) NIHJA Rated Jumper classes per day can be offered. Exception to this rule: If there is a safety issue with darkness or weather, classes maybe moved to a different day. The number of classes per day does not include Pony or Low Jumpers or any additional Jumper Classics, Jumper Derbies or Open Jumper classes offered. “

## **New Business**

### **Proposed Rule Change: Section 8 (Championship) Letter K (TO BE REVIEWED ANNUAL MEETING 2018)**

K. Division: Recognized shows must offer the six (6) Mandatory Divisions and the five (5) Medal Classes as shown below with a minimum of three (3) classes per hunter division, two (2) classes per equitation division and can select any other NIHJA divisions, classes, or any other divisions or classes as necessary. The selection is left to the discretion of the individual Show Management. Three (3) riders must complete the course for the over fences classes and three (3) riders must complete the entire under saddles class and be scored by the judge in order for the class to count towards year end awards in any given Hunter/Jumper/Equitation class. Four (4) riders must complete the course for the class to count towards year end awards in Medal classes. No class points or division points will be awarded for classes not meeting these specifications. \*Amended Oct. 2016

## **2018 Elections**

President – Toni Bruns

Secretary/Treasurer – Kristie Hohol

Board Positions – Dean Battaglia, Sari Reid, Liz Calomino, Jennifer Heldt

Campton Hills Equestrian – 10% of Raffle Table Donations will be donated to Campton Hills Equestrian Center.

Meeting Adjourned – 6:53 PM