

TOPICS	DISCUSSION
	<p>June 7, 2006 minutes—AHR Board</p>
	<p>June 7, 2006, meeting called to order by Paul Sutton at 8: 04 p.m. Attending were: Paul Sutton, Emily Gibson, Bob Duvall, Art Winder, Mike Bobal, Willie Lehman, Levi Yoder, Dave Kraus, Bill Jameson, and Gary Leisure.</p> <p>Ruth Schwab, AHR Managing Director present</p> <p>Theo Hug absent due to meeting conflict with Quebec Haflinger group. Mike Dowd absent.</p>
<p>I. Old Business (Review of the minutes of previous meetings)</p>	<p>May minutes approved online</p> <p>HBO/AHR merger—we are waiting to hear the results of the balloting of the HBO members for dissolution of HBO (two ballots two weeks apart must be completed)</p>
<p>II. Office Update – Ruth Schwab</p>	<p>The Indiana Haflinger Horse Association sale is complete and pedigrees have been mailed with the exception of a few that require more information.</p> <p>We are preparing a mailing on 2005 expired memberships reminding them to renew if they want to vote in the upcoming Director Elections.</p> <p>Updated bylaws are posted to the website. Updated I&C form with the Florida location added is posted to the website. Update of the AHR Handbook is in process. The AHR Business Property Insurance policy is up for renewal and is currently being reviewed and updated as necessary.</p> <p>The entire staff is currently working on processing the Spring Sale</p>
<p>III. Committee Reports and Approval of Committee Members</p>	
<p>1. Youth</p>	<p>Dave Wilson and Carolyn Sutton - Co-Chairs Members: Levi Yoder (Director Representative), Leona Loller, Judy James, Elaine Durlin and Aileen Ayers</p> <p>The youth committee had a successful riding clinic at the Indiana Sale. Seven youth participated in the clinic instructed by Jennifer Rousseau. Jennifer did a wonderful job with the riders and onlookers.</p> <p>At the AHR Sale, we had a youth raffle with products donated from Farnam, which Levi Yoder obtained. A table of activities for the youth was also very popular. Amy McManus and Jean Casseday had ceramics to paint and beads for the youngsters.</p>
<p>2. By-Laws</p>	<p>Bill Jameson – Chair Members: Willie Lehman and Chuck Kohler</p> <p>Ballots for bylaw change proposals were received by the May 15th deadline and counted. All changes passed by a large margin. The Amended 2006 bylaws are posted on the website.</p>
<p>3. Classification</p>	<p>Jennifer Rousseau and Robert Eicher – Co-Chairs Members: Theo Hug, Abram Miller John Dunkel, Brandy Wagner and Mike Dowd</p> <p>The Spring Clinic was well attended with proceeds sufficient to cover the costs of refreshments and printing.</p> <p>Five confirmed inspection dates and locations as advertised, with a sixth still pending in Florida. California is reporting 38 horses with a waiting list, which will require some logistical challenges to get the judges to the site at least ½ day early.</p>

	<p>Colorado, Quebec and Ohio are all reporting verbal commitments for the 20 horse (or more) minimum. Pennsylvania is still looking for horses to fill. Total horses registered to-date: 65 horses.</p> <p>Confirmed judges (to-date) as follows - International Judge: Lukas Scheiber; AHR Senior "C" Judge: Dave Ayers; The third judge at each location yet to be decided.</p> <p>No response from BOD to committee proposal sent 3/1/06</p> <p>Discussion about the Board's decision to limit the number of carded judges on the I/C remains in effect. All I/C records are in the possession of a member of the committee in order to record all the data in a database that can be used for research and trend tracking.</p> <p>Motion: Gibson moved, Duvall seconded that the phrase "with a lot of feathers" be removed from the Type description of : "Undesirable is in particular a stout, plump non athletic appearance, a coarse head, unclear contours, undefined joints, and coarse limbs with a lot of feathers as well as a lack of defined masculine or feminine features. This is due to the lack of mention of feather in the World Haflinger Federation standards and that feather can be shaved off for inspection and so cannot be accurately assessed. No objections.</p> <p>Board thanks clinician and judge Jennifer Rousseau for her very well done I&C Clinic and Judge's Clinic leadership and will send her a letter stating our appreciation for her service.</p>
<p>4. Nominating</p>	<p>Buzz Barr – Chair Members: Brian Winkler, Paul Sutton and Anita Sweeney Mike Dowd is not planning to run for Western Region Director so candidates will need to be encouraged to run.</p>
<p>5. Finance</p>	<p>Levi Yoder – Chair Members: Abram Miller and Paul Sutton Budget figures don't reflect Spring Sale expenses yet. The Fun Auction and Tack Sale brought in over \$6000 to support the National Show.</p>
<p>6. Futurity – SIP</p>	<p>Jennifer Sutton – Chair Members: Bill Jameson and Anita Sweeney</p> <p>AHR Futurity Enrollment Form for 2006 has been mailed out, with a June 30, 2006, deadline.</p>
<p>7. Judge</p>	<p>Joel Greenisen – Chair Members: Jennifer Rousseau, Mike Bobal, Dayl Phillip and Bob Bishop</p> <p>The committee had a conference call on May 2. Present were Dayl Phillip, Jennifer Rousseau, and Chair, Joel Greenisen. Mike Bobal and Bob Bishop had been informed and were expected, but neither came on. Bishop has informed the Chair that he is selling all his Haflingers, so he will need to be replaced on the Committee later this year.</p> <p>Beginning year status was shared: 7 Classification Judges, 7 Senior, and 6 Learners. 27 applications on hand with no designation and 8 requests for application have been sent with return not yet received. Attendance at 2005 seminars has not been added to applicant files. This will be done by the chair. Agreed that letter needs to go to the many on file applicants explaining to them the status of things. Chair will draft and ask other committee members for input. There is also great need for a total review of the criteria for awarding "carded" status at the various levels. This will be the main thing the Committee will be working on for the balance of 2006!</p> <p>Plans for the Senior Judge/Board Workshop at Ashland on May 25 were reviewed.</p> <p>The Judges Workshop was held at Ashland the afternoon of May 25, as planned. In</p>

	<p>attendance were: C Judges: Dave Ayers, Jennifer Rousseau, Larry Smith and Joel Greenisen Senior : Peg Brown, Karen Cabic, Bob Giles and Gayle Joas Learner: Dave Burch, Ron Campbell, Bob Duvall, Kim Hart and Brandy Wagner Board: Paul Sutton, Bob Duvall, Mike Dowd and Art Winder (It should be noted that both Mike and Ilene Keatley have specified that their names be removed from all AHR Judge lists and consideration.)</p> <p>On the 25th, the first 2 hours were spent classroom style going over expectation of judges in various situations and in detailed review of official Breed Standards, which are the basis for ALL judging, not just classification. We then moved outdoors for practice scoring and discussion of 5 horses. Each judge was given the opportunity to give his scores and "why" on half a horse. We did not try to reach a final "correct" score on each horse but did reach pretty much a consensus. The horses would have varied from 71 to 77 points. Probably the horses were all sale consignments, and were owned by Dave Ayers and Paul Ruekauf. Thanks are due Dave who did most of the handling of all five.</p> <p>Quick consensus at the end was that it was a very worthwhile afternoon. Each participant was given a written feedback form to complete and mail to Joel Greenisen. A few have been received, but many more still need to come.</p>
8. Membership	<p>Bob Duvall – Chair Members: Art Winder and Leon Troyer</p> <p>Nothing new to report.</p>
9. National Show	<p>Lou Sutton – Chair Members: Bill Jameson, Brent Leininger, Steve Verhoff, Jennifer Sutton and Carolyn Sutton</p> <p>All judges have been hired. The show packet is in the final stages of completion. The Fun Auction at the spring Ashland Sale raised \$5,312. Profit from the raffle filly was a little over \$600.</p>
10. Planning	<p>Willie Lehman and Chuck Kohler – Co-Chairs</p> <p>Nothing to report at this time</p>
11. Pedigree	<p>Theo Hug – Chair Members: Ray Miller, Abram Miller, Anita Sweeney and Dave Kraus</p> <p>Member letter received about concerns about accuracy of description of white markings on the registration papers. Committee is reviewing this issue.</p> <p>Discussion about a new advertised registry for “spotted Haflingers” with proposed cross breeds between Paints and Haflingers The Board members all oppose this and the use of the name “Haflinger” but it is not copyrighted so there is no ability to stop it.</p>
12. Personnel/Office	<p>Paul Sutton – Chair Members: Levi Yoder, Gary Leisure, Theo Hug and Carolyn Sutton</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
13. Points/Awards	<p>Danny Inabinett and Ann Walton – Co-Chairs Members: Doris Thomas, Edie Ferguson and Art Winder.</p> <p>Activity documentation is being turned in by members.</p>
14. Promotions/ Advertising/Regional Support	<p>Mike Bobal – Chair Members: Dave Kraus and Lisa Schott</p> <p>SE Haflinger Association is being supported with \$200 Small Farmers Journal is writing an article on the Haflinger—there will be an AHR ad in that issue.</p>

<p>15. Publication</p>	<p>Gary Leisure – Chair Members: Emily Gibson, Judy James, Art Winder and Linda Winder</p> <p>Nothing new to report</p>
<p>16 Sales</p>	<p>Dave Wilson and Danny Inabinett – Co-Chairs Members: Phil Greenisen and Levi Yoder</p> <p>293 horses were consigned and 263 horses actually sold.</p> <p>Purina Mills donated 1000 pounds of Purina Horse Feed. 400 pounds will go to the buyer of the high selling horse, which was a mare, and 300 pounds will go to the buyers of both the high selling gelding and the high selling stallion.</p> <p>AHR recognized a significant savings by only mailing sale catalogs to those members that requested them. The Spring 2005 sale catalog printing and mailing cost was \$9,573.40 (\$5271 in printing and \$4302.40 postage) and the Spring 2006 total was \$5341.82 (\$3556 in printing and \$1785.82 postage) -- a savings of \$4,231.58.</p> <p>The Sale Committee has addressed the suggestion to lower the price of a photo in the catalog from \$20 to \$10 in order to try to get more catalog photos on consigned horses. The Sale Committee approved. The fall 2006 consignment packets have already been mailed so that price reduction will become effective beginning with the Spring 2007 sale.</p> <p>The Sale Committee is planning a conference call as soon as the final numbers on the Spring Sale are available. The agenda for the call will include discussion on the order of go in the sale catalog, the sale preview, vendor issues, redirecting the horse traffic from the main road onto the track (requested by the fairgrounds management), and the possibility of changing the physical set-up within the main arena in order to alleviate the congestion at the north-end door.</p>
<p>17. Website</p>	<p>Emily Gibson and Gary Leisure – Co-Chairs Members: Mike Dowd and Office Advisor, Ruth Schwab</p> <p>Hits to the following pages for the past two months: Home page—May 7072 April 6970 Farm links –May 1947 April 2272 Sales catalog—May 1918 April 1631 Classifieds—May 1280 April 1113 Breed standards—May 1099 April 1060 Website links—May 685 April 803 Magazine—May 614 April 686</p>
<p>18. Video Committee</p>	<p>Lee Golinello – Chair Member – Dave Kraus</p> <p>Nothing new to report</p>
<p>19. AHFund</p>	<p>Dave Wilson, Levi Yoder, Brent Leininger, Chuck Kohler, Carolyn Sutton and Paul Sutton</p> <p>Nothing new to report at this time. There will be a meeting before July.</p>
<p>20. Performance Evaluation Committee</p>	<p>Robert Eicher – Chair Members: Lou Sutton, Brandy Wagner, Glen Yoder, Emily Gibson and Peg Brown</p> <p>A mock performance evaluation trial will be held this month at Peg Brown's for practice.</p>
<p>I.V. New Business</p>	<p>Peter Tuerpitz passed away from cancer this month.</p> <p>A new private promotional organization Haflinger Owners Promotional Enterprise was discussed.</p> <p>Motion made by Jameson and seconded by Yoder that the meeting be adjourned.</p>

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 5, 2006.