

TOPICS	DISCUSSION
	<p>The April 2, 2008, meeting was called to order by Paul Sutton at 8:08 p.m. Attending were: Paul Sutton, Bob Duvall, Art Winder, Theo Hug, Mike Bobal, Mike LeVasseur, Andrew Yoder, Gary Leisure, Bill Jameson and Ruth Schwab. Dave Kraus arrived late. Absent Emily Gibson and Willie Lehman.</p>
<p><b>I. Old Business (Review of the minutes of previous meetings)</b></p>	<p>Mike LeVasseur reports to the Board regarding the Pedigree on Line program. The basic program is ready to roll out. Should this be open to all or open to members only? Gary Leisure makes the motion to go live with the pedigree database with password access to members and the public. Art Winder seconds. Thank you to Mike for all the work on this project. No further discussion. No objections. Motion carries.</p>
<p><b>II. Office Update – Ruth Schwab</b></p>	<p>For the month of March (report dates between March 5th 2008 and April 2nd, 2008), QuickBooks shows the line items transaction count of 3817. A total of 212 transfers were completed during this period and 55 foal registrations completed. The stallion license renewal count for 2008 is 374. Members renewed so far for 2008 are 1281. Current magazine subscribers are 194. Renewal reminders for subscribers were sent out and are already being returned. So far we have had 49 horse &amp; rider teams signed up for the 2008 Points &amp; Awards program on the recreation side and 18 on the performance side. Consignments opened March 1<sup>st</sup> and the current count is 149 (62 geldings, 79 mares, 8 stallions)</p>
<p><b>III. Committee Reports</b></p>	
<p><b>1. AHR Youth</b></p>	<p>Dave Wilson and Aileen Ayers - Co-Chairs Members: Carolyn Sutton, Dave Kraus, Paula Verhoff, Levi Yoder, and Sue Cassaday (office consultant)</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
<p><b>2. By-Laws</b></p>	<p>Bill Jameson – Chair Members: Willie Lehman and Chuck Kohler</p> <p>The committee is working on some suggested proposals.</p>
<p><b>3. Classification</b></p>	<p>John Dunkel and Abram Miller – Co-Chairs Members: Theo Hug, Brandy Wagner, John Cisler, Robert Eicher and Dave Ayers.</p> <p>The Board discussed the March 2<sup>nd</sup> letter received through the I&amp;C Committee and signed by Johannes Schweisgut regarding the HBO scoring using plus and minus on the score cards. Brandy Wagner &amp; Jennifer Rousseau obtained this letter on a recent visit to Austria, although not there in any official capacity and not representing the AHR I&amp;C Committee. It has been determined by the I&amp;C Committee and the Board that the directive in the letter cannot be followed by AHR. Various plans of action were discussed. John White, the Vice President of the WHF has been contacted and is involved.</p> <p>The board discussed the situation of a past due balance owed to the AHR by a former committee chair versus the expenses incurred by that chair in 2007. When a letter was sent by the AHR office requesting payment on the past due balance, the member responded that a written guarantee of reimbursement for expenses was required before the past due balance would be paid. This was brought to the attention of the board for suggestions on handling the dispute. Some Board members felt that sending such a written guarantee was acceptable; others felt that expenses should not be reimbursed since the request was submitted well beyond the 60 day reimbursement rule. Others felt the member should be reimbursed but that a letter of guarantee should not be necessary. The Board requested that the parties involved be contacted and a paper trail be established clarifying the details of all transactions and that the past due balance be paid in full before any expense can be reimbursed.</p>

<p><b>4. Disposition and Trainability Assessment Committee</b></p>	<p>Robert Eicher – Chair  Members: Lou Sutton, Steve Verhoff, Glen Yoder, Emily Gibson, Peg Brown and Cindy Bunner</p> <p>No report received.</p>												
<p><b>5. Finance</b></p>	<p>Andrew Yoder – Chair  Members: Levi Yoder, Abram Miller, Paul Sutton and Tana Moneypenny (office consultant)</p> <p>No report received. Committee chair reports there is nothing remarkable in this month's financial statement.</p>												
<p><b>6. Futurity – SIP</b></p>	<p>Brian Mitteer – Chair  Members: Bill Jameson and Lou Sutton  The following stallions are enrolled in the 2008 SIP:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="487 583 1508 682"> <tr> <td>Anthony</td> <td>Midas Touch II NTF</td> <td>Neiman Marcus TOF</td> <td>Stars N' Stripes TOF</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Aristocrat TOF</td> <td></td> <td>Neumeister TOF</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Armani KCH</td> <td></td> <td>Notting Hill</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>An article has been written for the next issue of the Haflinger Magazine. E-mails have been sent to stallion owners who have had offspring shown in the Futurity, who have advertised offspring shown in major shows, or who have advertised in the new directory. It has been requested that Futurity applications be included in the mailing of new registrations.</p>	Anthony	Midas Touch II NTF	Neiman Marcus TOF	Stars N' Stripes TOF	Aristocrat TOF		Neumeister TOF		Armani KCH		Notting Hill	
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<p><b>7. Judges</b></p>	<p>Joel Greenisen – Chair  Members: Kim Hart, Mike Bobal, Holly Singleton and Jennifer Rousseau</p> <p>No report received.</p>												
<p><b>8. Membership</b></p>	<p>Bob Duvall – Chair  Members: Art Winder and Mike Williams</p> <p>There are about 150 less members this year than last year at this same time. Reminder notices have been mailed out and Mike Williams has again volunteered to do a calling campaign. Membership applications will be available at the KILE Show Haflinger booth.</p>												
<p><b>9. National Show</b></p>	<p>Lou Sutton – Chair  Members: Bill Jameson, Brent Leininger, Steve Verhoff, Jacque Woodward, Carolyn Sutton and Brian Miteer</p> <p>The Show committee is currently hiring judges for the show. Ribbons have been ordered and less expensive trophy options are being sought. Show rules are being looked at in order to make any updates necessary. The class list is mostly set, pending committee approval.</p>												
<p><b>10. Nominating</b></p>	<p>Mike Bobal – Chair  Members: Roger Stalvey and Art Winder</p> <p>It is suggested that all Ohio AHR members be reminded that anyone from Ohio can run for the two at-large seats; however because of by-law restrictions only one person from Ohio can be placed on the BOD.</p>												
<p><b>11. Pedigree</b></p>	<p>Theo Hug – Chair  Members: Ray Miller, Dave Kraus, Anita Sweeney, Don Jackson and Sheila Pearson (office consultant).</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>												
<p><b>12. Personnel/Office</b></p>	<p>Paul Sutton – Chair  Members: Andrew Yoder, Gary Leisure, Theo Hug and Carolyn Sutton</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>												
<p><b>13. Planning</b></p>	<p>Willie Lehman and Chuck Kohler – Co-Chairs  (Currently inactive)</p>												
<p><b>14. Points/Awards</b></p>	<p>Ann Walton and Mike LeVasseur – Co-Chairs</p>												

	<p>Members: Doris Thomas and Art Winder.</p> <p>The Committee has been looking for ways to make the program more valuable to participants and encourage continuing participation.</p>
<b>15. Promotions/ Advertising/Regional Support</b>	<p>Dave Kraus – Chair Members: Mike Bobal and Art Winder</p> <p>\$500 for the Northeast Haflinger Association to attend Equine Affaire in Springfield, MA.</p>
<b>16. Publications</b>	<p>Gary Leisure – Chair Members: Emily Gibson, Mike LeVasseur and Art Winder</p> <p>April/May issue just mailed.</p>
<b>17. Sales</b>	<p>Dave Wilson – Chairs Members: Phil Greenisen, Andrew Yoder and Levi Yoder</p> <p>Consignments must be postmarked by March 31<sup>st</sup>. As of the Board meeting there were 149 horses consigned. A few more are expected by the end of the week. The fun auction, tack auction and vet check will be held on Friday. The sale will be on Saturday starting with the geldings, stallions and then mares.</p>
<b>18. Video Committee</b>	<p>Mike Levasseur – Chair Members – Dave Kraus and Kathleen Woodward</p> <p>A letter was published in the April/May issue requesting video from Haflinger owners that can be used in a revised version of our Haflinger Promotion DVD.</p>
<b>19. Website</b>	<p>Emily Gibson and Gary Leisure – Co-Chairs Members: Ruth Schwab (office consultant)</p> <p>The AHR website continues to be well visited and is continually updated with the most recent information. During the month of March the most visited pages were 6000 visits to the AHR home page. 1400 hits to classified page. 2650 hits to member farms list. The sale page, National Show page and magazine page followed. The list of consigned horses will be posted to the website by the end of April. The class list for the National Show is in the final revision stages and will be posted as soon as it is firm.</p>
<b>20. World Federation</b>	<p>Joel Greenisen – Chair Members: Theo Hug, Jennifer Rousseau and Dirk Young</p> <p>Paul Sutton presented that Donald Sommer had requested that he be appointed an additional AHR representative to the WHF. After discussion the Board decided that the one representative to the WHF is sufficient.</p>
<b>I.V. New Business</b>	
	<p>Motion made by Theo Hug and seconded by Dave Kraus that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.</p> <p>The next meeting date is Wednesday, May 7, 2008.</p>