

Date: May 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson at 8:00 PM EDT.

Present were Linda Hayes, Kelly McWhorter, Fran Soukup, Mindy Reid, Steve Auld

OLD BUSINESS:

Open book test: The following areas on the Judges Open Book Test were discussed.

Question #3, related to Show Management and a judge judging their own animal was a problem for many judges. According to the Guidelines, the answer is TRUE. The ILR-SD strongly recommends that an ILR-SD officiating Judge shall not adjudicate any animal, or fleece from any animal, which has been purchased from said Judge or his/her immediate family within 12 months of the date of the show where the judge is officiating. It is also noted that it is equally the responsibility of the new owner/exhibitor to refrain from entering an animal or its fleece in an event to be judged by the official from whom the animal/entry has been purchased within the last 12 months. However, there were many judges who saw the answer as False, because the Guidelines only state a "Recommendation."

A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Mindy to change the Guidelines to state "A judge may not adjudicate their own animals or fleece from their own animal." Motion passed.

Question Halter, #4 - The correct answer is suri and silky. However, Classic seems to have been included in approximately half the tests. Judges are considering the type of fleece, not coverage, when answering this question.

Fran will send this concern to the halter committee for clarification.

Regarding the Open Book Test as a whole, the answers should be found within the Guidelines, unless it is explained they should also be reviewing minutes of the Governing Board and committees. And, the purpose of this test is to review problem areas needing clarification and to identify changes within the Guidelines.

In order to achieve this purpose, the committee members will be contacting individual committee chairs for their input. Halter - Steve Auld. Performance - Kelly McWhorter. Youth - Mindy Reid. Chapter #1/Superintendents - Darrell Anderson. Fleece - Fran Soukup

Other Old business

Kelly McWhorter provided a verbal description of the Oregon Judges Clinic, reported 10 potential apprentices and 7 audit attendees. She had many positive statements as input regarding the clinic. However, neither the judges committee or the office has received any reports regarding the clinic. Still needed are a financial report, list of attendees, open book tests, completed evaluations for all potential apprentice attendees (see HPY Judging Evaluation of Seminar Participants). Darrell Anderson will be contacting Jessie Munson and Niki Kuklenski for the missing reports/evaluations.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cathie Kindler has requested approval as a Teaching Judge. A letter of change of status for Cathie and three letters of recommendation have been received. A motion was made by ????, with a second by ??? The motion was approved.

Fran Soukup will consider how to differentiate an HPY (Halter, Performance, Youth) Teaching Judge versus a Fleece Teaching judge on the Judges' information list. To be presented at the next meeting.

Amanda Wick has completed her three apprenticeships and is requesting approval as a HPY Judge. Fran Soukup made the motion to approve Amanda Wick as a judge; seconded by Kelly McWhorter. Motion was approved.

Niki Kuklenski recommended the following be accepted as HPY Apprentices:

Roy Williams  
Holly Williams  
Kate Otey  
And, Kaylee Davidson.

Mindy Reid made a motion to approve these 4 as apprentices, once they pay their Judges dues. The motion was seconded by Kelly McWhorter. Motion carried.

Niki Kuklenski expressed a need regarding stricter and more defined qualifications for apprentices/judges (i.e. should have won championships with their own llamas in halter and/or performance). The committee will consider and discuss the suggestion at the next meeting.

Linda Hayes shared a concern regarding the need for more specifications regarding proper dress for judges. After discussion, Steve Auld made a motion to add to the Guidelines, the statement: "Professional attire is required for judges unless directed otherwise by the show superintendent." The statement should be added under Code of Conduct for judges. Motion seconded by Kelly McWhorter. Motion approved.

The date for the next meeting is set for July 10, at 8:00 PM EDT.

Mindy Reid made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Kelly McWhorter. Motion passed.