

Minutes for Judges Committee, August 6, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson. Linda Hayes, Kelly McWhorter, Fran Soukup, Mindy Reid, and Steve Auld were present.

The minutes for the May meeting were approved via email and are available on the ILR website.

Old Business:

The Governing Board approved Cynthia Ernst as an ILR-SD H, P, Y judge via fast-track, and Nick Hauptly as an H, P, Y teaching judge

The Youth Committee has proposed new wording for special needs clarification: "It is the responsibility of special needs youth exhibitors, their parents or special needs open class exhibitors to contact show management prior to the show with any performance issues. If any additional issues arise the exhibitor should talk to the judge during the walk through." Kelly moved to accept this proposal, seconded by Steve. Motion passed

New Business:

Discussion was held regarding apprentices pursuing either performance or halter and other combinations of judging certification. Fran made a motion to revise the Guidelines to read: Complete all aspects/portions of one Sanctioned ILR-SD Educational judging and refresher clinic. After successful completion of the clinic, the apprentice may indicate areas of interest for certification. In the future, the apprentice or judge may add additional areas of interest, with Judges committee approval, and complete appropriate apprenticeships for those areas. Steve seconded the motion. The motion will continue under discussion via email as to specific wording.

Kate Otey has requested fast track consideration as a performance judge. Darrell will contact Kate to recommend completion of one more apprenticeship and then request approval as a Judge.

Fran made a motion to approve Roy Lee Williams as a halter judge; Steve seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mindy moved to approve Danita Doerre as an ILR-SD Fleece Teaching; Kelly seconded. Motion passed.

Steve moved to approve Cindy Ruckman as an ILR-SD Fleece Judge via the fast track program; seconded by Mindy. Motion passed.

The committee has received a letter of concern regarding an apprentice's conduct and a letter in defense of the apprenticeship accusations. After discussion, Steve moved for the apprentice to complete one more apprenticeship and to place the letter of concern in his file; seconded by Mindy. Motion passed.

Fran made a motion to remove the word "class" from p. 9, b) Apprentices are not allowed to exhibit in any class/show where they are apprenticing; second by Steve. Motion passed.

A letter of concern was received and tabled for future discussion.

The process of development of 2020 Judge's Open Book Test will be the same as the process for 2019. Judges committee members will contact their selected committees to suggest questions for the 2020 test.

No further update on Fleece Judging clinic scheduled for September in North Carolina, at this time.

Possible hosts for future H, P, Y clinics are still being solicited. None have been identified at this time.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 24, at 8:00 PM EDT.

Fran moved to adjourn; seconded by Steve. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup, Secretary.