

Judges Committee Minutes, January 7, 2020

The meeting of the Judges Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Anderson at 8:30 PM EST, on January 7, 2020.

Linda Hayes, Fran Soukup, Steve Auld, Nick Hauptly, and Darrell Anderson were in attendance. Mindy Reid was absent.

Congratulations and welcome were given to Nick on his election to the Judges Committee.

The minutes for the December meeting were approved via e-mail, and are available on the ILR website

Old Business:

The committee Reviewed questions for each section of 2020 Judge's Open Book Test. Three edits were suggested. After discussion, Steve moved to approve the open book test with inclusion of the suggested changes. Motion was seconded by Nick. Motion approved unanimously. Darrell will make the changes and send out to committee and Susan for release to the judges and apprentices.

The final time frame for completion of test was set to be February 28, 2020. The Guidelines should be sent to the judges and apprentices by the end of January. Plus, the Guidelines will be available online before then. This should give adequate time for judges and apprentices to be able to complete the test.

Aspen Auld Kelchen's request for early certification as a H, P, Y judge was discussed. After review of the mentor evaluations for Aspen, Fran made the motion to approve Aspen as a P and Y judge but to recommend Aspen either complete another Halter apprenticeship or attend a judging clinic. Nick seconded the motion. Motion passed with one abstention.

Interest and options for judging clinics were reviewed. At this time, there is no interest in hosting a judging clinic of any kind.

New Business:

Election of the chair and secretary of the Judges Committee for the year 2020 was conducted. Fran nominated Nick as Chair, with a second by Darrell. Nick accepted the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously. Darrell nominated Fran as secretary of the judges committee with a second by Steve. Fran accepted. Fran was elected.

Linda brought a suggested change in the Guidelines. On page 11, IV, A, 3, d) 2 to change ... A minimum of one or more apprenticeships... to read minimum of three apprenticeships.... Fran moved to accept the change with a second by Steve. Motion passed.

Steve requested review of inclusion of the name of the form for teaching judges to complete, after mentoring an apprentice. See page 14, #6 to read "Mentor Evaluation of Judge/Apprentice Form". Steve made the motion to accept this change, seconded by Nick.

Responsibilities for completing the key of the Judges Test for use by the Judges' Committee members were reviewed.

Nick and Mindy, Performance and Youth,

Darrell, Show Division,

Steve, Halter,

And, Fran, Fleece.

Keys will be completed after publication of the 2020 Guidelines, to include the correct answer as well as page and number within the Guidelines.

The date for the next meeting is Tuesday, March 3, 2020, at 8:30 PM EST

Darrell made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Steve. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM, EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup

ILR-SD Judges Committee Secretary