

Judges Committee Minutes, November 10, 2020

The meeting of the Judges Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Hauptly at 7:03 PM EST, on November 10, 2020.

Nick Hauptly, Fran Soukup, Steve Auld, Darrell Anderson, Mindy Reid, and Ramona Simpson were in attendance.

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

Old Business:

The committee reviewed the use of Googles Form as the format for the 2021 Judge's Open Book Test. The committee had samples in which to try out the format, prior to the meeting. After discussion, Steve moved to approve Google Forms as the testing format for the 2020 open book judges and apprentice test. Motion was seconded by Mindy. Motion approved unanimously. Susan will be able to send out a link for the judges to take the test, after their dues have been paid.

New Business:

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

Nick, Performance
Mindy, Youth,
Darrell, Show Division,
Steve, Halter,
And, Fran, Fleece.

It was agreed the questions should be in either a multiple choice or a true/false format. At this time, long answer, although possible, should wait until after the 2021 online testing format is completed. This will allow an evaluation for online testing for the judges/apprentices before making it more complex for scoring and giving feedback to the judges.

Committees have been asked to submit questions for the test, since they are aware of changes in the Guidelines and have had feedback as to potential areas needing reinforcement for the judges/apprentices. So far, questions have been received from the Futurity, Fleece, and Superintendent Committees. Nick will send a reminder to the other committees to seek their input in the test development.

Keys will be completed after publication of the 2021 Guidelines, to include the correct answer as well as page and number within the Guidelines.

An inquiry has been received by the Judges Committee, from a teaching judge, as to how to proceed with the request by an apprentice to do on Farm mentoring. Nick will respond with a letter, referring to the Guidelines.

An inquiry by the Superintendents committee was discussed. It asked the Judges Committee for an opinion as to whether a Judge needs to sign Placing Cards. After discussion, it was decided the signature could be omitted, or included, depending upon the show circumstances. With the use of Show Manager by the Show Superintendent, the signature could be omitted. However, if the office was entering the results into Show Manager, signed placing cards would be required.

The date for the next meeting is Tuesday, December 2, 2020, at 8:30 PM EST

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

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Soukup

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