

OHJA Board of Directors Meeting  
October 20, 2008

Attending: Anne, Skip, Scott, Matt, Maureen, Jamie, Frankie, Jeremy

1. Skip asked Matt if he had heard anything from Zone 5. He has not had any contact from them as yet.
2. Maureen has ordered all the prizes for the OHJA medal finals and hunter classic. She is also going to collect the perpetual trophies that were given out at the 2007 banquet. The old trophies need to be replaced. Cici Grant is planning on replacing her Most Improved Rider trophy.
3. Voting for the perpetual awards was discussed. Everyone feels the system for nominating for some of the awards needs to be changed to keep it from being dominated by one group. Since very few members actually fill out the first set of nominating forms, it was suggested that the board come up with a slate of nominees for the Horse, Pony, and Trainer of the Year. The sportsmanship and show of the year awards will be open for members to nominate.
4. The Class B directors will be up for re-election this year. We will send out the directors that have accepted being re-nominated as well as space for members to nominate from the floor.
5. Brock Schmalz of the Ohio Equine Coalition has talked to Skip more about what the organization can do for our members. They are a lobbying group to help put legislation through that would help us in the business of running a stable. One of the laws that was helped through with an organization like this was the liability disclaimer law that we all have now posted in our barns. We will put a spot on the membership form for voluntary donations to join this organization.
6. Skip would like a section on the website directed towards what we are donating to the Zone 5 scholarship and Zone 5 news in general.
7. Scott spoke with Jennifer Tommerdahl about their Tuesday horse shows. Members have been complaining about these shows on Tuesday seeming to be directed mostly towards their own barn customers since most people cannot attend shows on a Tuesday. Scott said we would try to find her some weekend dates.
8. Tammy Turner cancelled all but one of her shows this year. If she does not hold them in 09 they will go back into general circulation.
9. We discussed making a list of available show dates prior to the beginning of the next show year and publishing these so anyone interested in gaining a new date can see what is available. These dates would be available first come, first serve after a certain date.
10. Kathy would like show managers to notify her of which dates they plan on using for the next show year.
11. Matt makes a motion that we establish a show committee to review some of the horse show rules and regulations. The members on this committee will be: Scott, Matt, Jamie, and Kathy.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.