Minutes for CIHF Board Meeting on Monday August 26, 2019

Time 5:05 B.C. local time, 8:05 Ontario local time.

Present: Victoria-Chair, Chanel, Sarah, Arnold, Dale, Tammy, Bonnie and Arie.

Call to order: 5:05

Approval of Agenda: Dale made motion to approve amended agenda. Tammy 2nd motion.

Approval of June 3, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes. Motion to accept minutes made by Arnold. Bonnie 2nd motion.

Approval of July 15, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes, tabled till next meeting. Arie to send July 15 minutes to Arnold and Bonnie.

Director's reports:

President: Victoria reported on having the rare opportunity to meet with some board members face to face, as she and Arnold and Sarah were all at the World Championships for Icelandic Horses together, to brainstorm some ideas around the Federation together. She is planning to bring some of the ideas that were talked about forward during the next meetings.

Treasurer: Bonnie reported on the financial balance sheet of the Federation. Account is in good standing with some expected expenses coming up, namely expense of printing brochures and FEIF dues.

Secretary: Arie clarified that the CLRC information regarding DNA markers for horse owners are duplicates the secretary receives and the owners of the horses receive as well. Secretary is continuing to work on staying up to date with board meeting reports.

Committee reports:

Education committee: Arnold reported on some new education initiatives through FEIF that he had been made aware of during discussions with representatives at the World Cup. Arnold, Victoria, Chanel and Sarah will have a meeting on Sept 3 to discuss these initiatives and present ideas to the board for the next board meeting.

Youth committee: nothing new to report.

Sponsorship committee: nothing new to report.

Breed promotion committee: Dale reported on finalizing the printing of the Breed Promotion brochures. Dale will check brochure will include a disclaimer to clarify Federation cannot provide insurance with membership at this time. Discussion was had as to where to send brochures. Dale also informed us that Staples can print brochures in locations all through Canada through a central individual at Staples.

Multimedia committee: committee is busy updating website and board member profiles. Committee is also looking at possibility to set up direct payment to facilitate sale of various items.

Sports committee: nothing new to report

Breeding committee: committee is planning the organization of a breed evaluation for 2020.

Constitution committee: Arnold has invited Erhard to speak about his research he prepared when the Federation had previously discussed switching the registry from CLRC to WF.

Motion made by Chanel to accept committee reports. 2nd Sarah.

Business arising from the minutes:

Arie reported that CLRC had received signatures from the Haugland's as the original owners of the horses discussed for registration with the CIHF at the last board meeting. Horses can now get official papers.

Discussion around printing extra breed promotion brochures if needed in different parts of the country. Dale will be contact person with Staples to allow for extra printing after board approval.

New Business:

Discussion was had around possibility of setting up direct payments through the CIHF business account. Bonnie informed us that the current account is very limited in its services and she does not believe the Federation will be able to do that with the current account. Changing the account will be costly and time consuming. Board feels direct payments are important to be able to do and asked Bonnie to contact the bank to see what is possible. Bonnie agreed but asked for a wide time frame to do this in as she is very busy right now.

Promotion ideas were discussed such as a reflective vest with the CIHF logo for riders to wear as they ride during the winter days. Victoria would look into the possibility of doing this through her company and having a part of the proceeds going to the Federation from each sale.

Victoria spoke to the publishers of Eidfaxi at the World Championships to see if they were open to the idea of selling subscriptions to CIHF members at a lower cost. They were receptive to the idea. However, payment for subscription through the CIHF not possible at this moment.

Victoria has had discussion with Jim Washer at CLRC as to whether CLRC can provide administrative support for the members if they decide to purchase their insurance with the CHRA to include it with their CLRC membership. Jim said that CLRC is not able to do this. Members will still have to get their insurance separately. CHRA needs to clarify insurance for amateur and non-commercial in their policy.

Board had discussions on how to incorporate direct payment from such providers as PayPal. To continue discussion at next board meeting.

Discussion was had around possibly AGM date. Set for Feb 9, 2020. Constitutional changes need to be done by Dec 9, 2019. Further discussion at next board meeting. Board members up for re-election: Arie.

Next board meeting date: Monday Sept 30, 2019

Motion to adjourn made by Dale, 2nd Arie.