



Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc.

January 19, 2022 Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by President Chris Block at 11:02 a.m.

2. Roll Call by Executive Director David McCaffrey

BOARD MEMBERS:

President Chris Block
Owner-Director Thomas Fedro
Trainer-Director Mickey Goldfine
Owner-Director Steve Holland
Owner-Director Rick Johnson
Owner-Director Michael Langdon
Trainer-Director Patti Miller
Trainer-Director Anthony Mitchell
Owner-Director Marty Nixon
Trainer-Director Tom Swearingen
Trainer-Director Terry Young

Others Present: Executive Director David McCaffrey and Office Manager George Moreno

3. Motion to approve the Minutes of the December meeting by Director Goldfine and seconded by Director Fedro. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Galloping Out Report – There are currently 21 horses in the program. We had a total of fifteen horses adopted in 2021. We are due for re-accreditation through the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance.
5. Motion to approve the postmortem grant request by Director Goldfine and seconded by Director Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Hawthorne and Legislative Update – a meeting between Hawthorne management and the ITHA Leadership occurred. While the overall tone of the meeting was optimistic, concrete actions are scarce.
7. Hawthorne Purse reports were reviewed and discussed.
8. IRB Meeting was discussed. President Block and Executive Director McCaffrey will speak if given the opportunity by the IRB to raise the issue about the Arlington Park purse underpayment.
9. HBPA / THA Comparison – Motion to table the discussion for the next ITHA board meeting by Director Langdon and seconded by Director Goldfine. Motion passed unanimously.
10. HISA update – USADA dropped out of negotiations with the Authority, as a result, there is currently no organization to enforce HISA.
11. Motion to approve the employment contract presented by the contract committee between the ITHA and Executive Director McCaffrey by Director Langdon and seconded by Director Goldfine. Motion passed unanimously.
12. Motion to adjourn at 1:38 p.m. by Director Goldfine and seconded by Director Langdon. Motion passed unanimously.