



Board Conference Call Minutes

May 9, 2017 8:00PM (Eastern)

BOARD MEMBERS

Present: Doug Smith, Leslie Chambers, Will Covert, Andrea Barber, Kari Pietsch-Wangard, Jess Haynsworth, Linda Templeton, Lori Cretney

Excused: Alex Dannenmann

OBSERVERS

Juli Cole

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:01 (WILL COVERT)

SECRETARY'S REPORT (DOUG SMITH)

The USIHC lists 645 members in 468 households, owning 4598 Registered Icelandic horses as of May 4.

TREASURER'S REPORT (KARI PIETSCH-WANGARD)

The monthly financial statements now include a detailed breakdown of the cash owned by the Congress. The key figures from the breakdown are:

<u>Combined bank account balances as of 4/30/17:</u>	\$142,997.63
<u>Unrestricted funds as of 4/30/17:</u>	\$129,051.56
<u>Net increase (decrease) since 3/31/17:</u>	\$91.26

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Affiliated Clubs (Leslie Chambers chair)
See attached.
- Breeding Committee (Kydee Sheetz chair, Will Covert liaison)
No report received.
- Education (Alex Dannenmann chair)

Another Sport Judge Seminar with Thorgeir took place April 20-23 at Thor Icelandics in Claverack, NY. 12 people participated, 6 took the test. 2 people passed the test on B-level, Jana Meyer and Freija Thye.



- Leisure (Kristina Behringer chair, Linda Templeton liaison)

Future Projects Once S2SS is off to a solid start:

1-Riding Horse Evaluations: a project under the auspices of the FEIF leisure committee. USIHC LRC is in the beginning stages and working toward paralleling this important initiative within the United States. Specific stages of development will be drafted and submitted to the board for approval.

2-Creating and distributing a new survey based upon the USIHC and FEIF recent surveys in order to gain a current perspective and to ensure we are providing opportunities that match the interest of USIHC members. To be submitted to the USIHC board for approval.

3-Review and modify the USIHC Leisure Riding page to more closely parallel that of FEIF's leisure riding mission also to include S2SS information, relevant links and forms. Changes to be submitted to the USIHC board for approval.

4-September is Leisure Riding month. LRC plans to create and submit for board approval some way of collectively celebrating leisure riding within the USA. Some initial ideas: Post 1 photo each day of September including Icelandic horse and rider and/or encourage affiliated clubs to organize an all club trail ride, or some other group celebratory activity within each affiliated club.

- Promotion (Juli Cole chair, Kari Pietch-Wangard liaison)

Nothing to report.

- Quarterly (Nancy Marie Brown & Nikki Esdorn co-chairs, Leslie Chambers liaison)

Nothing to report.

- Sport - (Ásta Covert chair, Jess Haynsworth liaison)

First show of the season was held by the CIA regional club at Flying C Ranch in Santa Ynez, CA. The show ran the new Icestest NG. The next show of the season will be at Léttleiki Icelandics in Shelbyville, KY June 3-4.

The World Championships tryout deadline is approaching at the end of the month on May 29th.

- Youth (Kelly Blough chair, Lori Cretney liaison)

No report received

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Blood Profile Project [Andrea Barber]

Bettina Wagner has provided Andrea with the following update on the project:

Ashleigh Newman, who is doing the project analysis, is back in the lab from her maternity leave and continues with the data analysis. All the manual blood smear

reads have been performed. That was one major part of the work. Next is the definition of outliers for the different parameters to define the normal ranges.

EMAIL VOTING

Occasionally the Board will address a simple or timely matter via email. By policy any decisions taken on email must be unanimously agreed and confirmed in the next regular meeting.

- New Leisure Committee Chair

The Board accepted Lisa McKeen's resignation as the chair of the Leisure Committee and approved Kristina Behringer as her replacement.

OLD BUSINESS

- Changes to Affiliated Club Recognition & Renewal Requirements [Leslie Chambers]

Club application form referred back to committee. The renewal application is unanimously approved without the reference to club voting.

- Breeder of Merit [Kydee Sheetz]

Continued to next meeting.

- Cantella Award [Kydee Sheetz]

Continued to next meeting.

- Spirit Award [Linda Templeton]

Annual award sponsored by the LRC & announced in September (Leisure Riding month) The award will be given to the person who thrives in the Icelandic community, always with an encouraging & positive attitude, always striving to learn more and encouraging others. A nomination form will be created and sent to the board for ok. Once the form is approved, there will be a call for nominations and a written description of how the nominee demonstrates those characteristics for the award. The LRC committee will vote on the winner. This write-up can be used in the Quarterly. The award is a beautiful crystal iceberg. Near completion.

Continued to next meeting.

- USIHC Decals [Juli Cole]

An updated version of the USIHC decal is attached with the changes requested by the BOD. Quotes for additional quantities other than the original 1000 are listed below. The quotes do not include sales tax & are for shipping via USPS to

zip code 16102. Once a quantity is decided upon the designer will contact the art department of the company (Stand Out Stickers) to discuss the cut then send the files required for printing.

500= \$469.90
750= \$587.75
1,000= \$614.70
1,500= \$911.75
2,000= \$1,210.70
5,000= \$2,651.10



KB Offset, the printers for the USIHC newsletter, has given a quote of \$78.00 to insert up to 2 decals into the approximately 450 envelopes used for mailing the newsletter. They advised they would need the decals well in advance of a mailing so the next opportunity we would have to distribute the decals in this manner would be in the September 2017 issue of the newsletter.

Unanimous approval of the updated art, ordering 1,500 and arranging to have 2 inserted into a future issue of *The Quarterly*.

- Horses of Iceland Sign-up [Linda Templeton]

Linda has the form and will submit it with copy to Kari. Kari will arrange payment for a half-year — starting in May.

- Sea to Shining Sea Program [Linda Templeton]
 1. FB page is live & creating interest.
 2. Rules and excel log sheet are easily located on the FB page and can be downloaded.
 3. Endomondo.com "Team Challenge" has been created and is near completion for use. It is currently in test phase and waiting on the pdf logo.
 4. LRC has voted on awards for the S2SS program and awaits board input and approval.
 5. A logo design is in process & near completion for patch/sticker/decal/t-shirt options.
 6. Support & momentum strategies: attracting more LRC members via an email sent to RCC and to affiliated club contacts that describe S2SS with links to FB and to Endomondo.com, and also ask for LRC volunteers. LRC goal is to have at least one member volunteer from each affiliated club.

Linda has developed the logo and is now ready to be able to get a complete budget figure for the program awards. Linda asks to handle the budget approval via email to have approval in hand before the June conference call.

NEW BUSINESS

- Protocol for Proposals to the Board [Andrea Barber & Doug Smith]

Andrea and Doug asked to develop a written protocol to be shared with the board. The document should include an outline for how committees should work in the structure of the national association as well as how changes are advanced through the committees to the board.

- Affiliated Clubs Role in the Congress [Doug Smith]

The clubs remain autonomous organizations with no direct representation in the national association. The committees are made up of individual members working to maintain the various programs of the national association. There is no current plan to restructure the relationship between the association and clubs or change the committee operations.

- Quarterly Online Publication [Leslie Chambers]

The committee proposes the two issue (six month) restriction on printing the online Quarterly be removed. Members will be able to immediately print the online version. Non-members will still have to wait to have access. No one on the committee opposed the proposal.

Unanimously approved.

- Updates to the website

Linda will draft an email text to be sent to all committee chairs quarterly reminding them to identify any changes needed to their areas of influence on the website. Doug will arrange for an automated email.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:15 PM EASTERN (WILL COVERT)

NEXT MEETING JUNE 13, 2017 8PM (EASTERN)

**United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.
Income & Expense Report
April 2017**

Income		Expense	
Interest Income	29.24		
Membership Related Income		Membership Related Expenses	
Membership Dues		Administration	
Family Memberships	190.62	Mbshp. Postage	112.70
Individual Memberships	568.90	Office/Supplies Exp.	16.11
Youth membership	33.68	Total Administration	128.81
Total Membership Dues	793.20		
 		Quarterly Expenses	
Quarterly Inc.		Postage for Quarterly	26.18
Quarterly Adv. Inc.	736.75		
		Toll Free line	12.95
		Website	149.07
		WorldFengur Exp.	505.00
Total Membership Related Income	1,529.95	Total Membership Related Expenses	822.01
		Pleasure Rider Program Exp.	171.39
		Promotional Exp.	
		Promotional postage expenses	114.30
		Regional Club Clinic exp	500.00
Registry Income		Registry Expenses	
Late Stallion Report fees	100.00	Clerical for registry	149.00
Registration fees	193.41	Reg. WorldFengur Sbscrptn exp.	136.00
Transfer fees	102.78	Registry Postage	21.00
Total Registry Income	396.19	Total Registry Expenses	306.00
USIHC Non-Member fees	49.58		
Total Income	2,004.96	Total Expense	1,913.70

Net Income (Loss): 91.26

05/04/17

United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.
Balance Sheet Standard
As of April 30, 2017

	Apr 30, '17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Associated Checking acct.	11,512.53
Associated Money Market Acct.	121,255.58
Total Checking/Savings	132,768.11
Other Current Assets	
CD ownd by USIHC mature 10/7/19	2,000.00
CD ownd by USIHC mature 10/7/20	2,000.00
CDs for Judge Scholarship Fund	
CD-matures 10/5/17	3,159.03
CD-matures 10/5/18	3,070.49
Total CDs for Judge Scholarship ...	6,229.52
Total Other Current Assets	10,229.52
Total Current Assets	142,997.63
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Unexpended Judge Schlshp. Fund	4,000.00
Unexpended World Champshp F...	3,756.82
Unexpended Youth Funds	6,189.25
Total Other Current Liabilities	13,946.07
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Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	96,926.56
Retained Earnings	27,417.80
Net Income	4,707.20
Total Equity	129,051.56
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	142,997.63

USIHC General Membership Funds

<u>3/31/17</u>		<u>4/30/17</u>
\$ 11,446.80	Checking	\$ 11,512.53
\$ 121,241.63	Money Market	\$ 121,255.58
\$ 10,217.94	CDs	\$ 10,229.52
\$ 142,906.37	subtotal	\$ 142,997.63
\$ (6,189.25)	Youth Fund	\$ (6,189.25)
\$ (4,000.00)	Judge Scholarship Fund	\$ (4,000.00)
\$ (3,756.82)	World Champ. Team Fund	\$ (3,756.82)
\$ 128,960.30	USIHC Unrestricted Membership Funds	\$ 129,051.56
Net Increase from 3/31/17		
\$91.26		

**United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.
Income & Expense Report
January through April 2017**

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expense</u>	
Competition Inc.		Competition Comm. Expense	
WC Team Tryout Inc.		National Ranking Award Expense	634.26
WC 2017 Tryout Inc.	288.00		
Education-Riding Badge			
Riding Badge Inc.	20.00		
Interest Income	86.75		
Membership Related Income		Membership Related Expenses	
Farm Listing	1,831.42	Administration	
Membership Dues		Mbshp. Postage	132.30
Family Memberships	3,734.26	Office/Supplies Exp.	44.11
Individual Memberships	6,425.88	Total Administration	176.41
Youth membership	168.40	Annual Meeting Exp.	
Total Membership Dues	10,328.54	2017 Annual Meeting exp.	2,742.72
		FEIF related expenses	
		FEIF Mbshp fees	1,523.60
		Quarterly Expenses	
Quarterly Inc.		Graphics	1,000.00
Quarterly Adv. Inc.	1,581.07	Postage for Quarterly	399.84
		Quarterly Printing	2,512.28
		Total Quarterly Expenses	3,912.12
		Toll Free line	51.80
		Website	149.07
		WorldFengur Exp.	505.00
Total Membership Related Income	13,741.03	Total Membership Related Expenses	9,060.72
		Pleasure Rider Program Exp.	171.39
		Promotional Exp.	
		Ambassador award	340.75
		Promotional postage expenses	145.05
		Total Promotional Exp.	485.80
		Regional Club Clinic exp	500.00
Registry Income		Registry Expenses	
Duplicate Registration fees	100.00	Clerical for registry	1,094.00
Late Stallion Report fees	784.30	Printing & reproduction-Regist.	439.67
Registration fees	1,376.42	Reg. WorldFengur Sbscrptn exp.	136.00
Transfer fees	780.94	Registry Office supplies	41.47
Total Registry Income	3,041.66	Registry Postage	180.78
		Total Registry Expenses	1,891.92
USIHC Non-Member fees	273.85		
Total Income	17,451.29	Total Expense	12,744.09

Net Income: 4,707.20

Regional Club Committee
Update for May 9 USIHC BOD meeting
Chair: Leslie Chambers
5/5/17

Submissions for BOD approval:

1. Affiliated Club renewal form revision - attached
2. Affiliated Club Application revision - attached

FEIF Census:

Clubs were asked to consider providing the names, city and state of their members with the USIHC, so we can accurately calculate our census number for FEIF. Members have been assured that no contact information (such as email or street address is being requested). Eight clubs have responded and will supply information if their members are in agreement (several have already supplied the requested information).

Planning on sending out requests on August 1 with an August 30 deadline.

Regional Club Clinics - Policy #31, 2017 (updated 5/1/17)

Club	Region	Contact-RCC	Clinic #1	RCC Chair/Calendar	Clinic #2	RCC Chair/Calendar
Alaska IHC	Alaska	Janet Mulder janetmulder@gmail.com	May 27-29 Steinar Sigurbjornsson Wasilla, AK	yes/yes	June 23-25 Trausti Gudmundsson Wasilla, AK	yes/yes
California IA	Mid-South CA	Asta Covert asta@tolt.net				
Cascade IHC	Pacific NW Portland OR/Vancouver WA	Linda Eddy lnd_eddy@yahoo.com				
Flugnir IHC	WI and MN	Kevin Draeger toltkid@hotmail.com	May 26-28 Sport Comp/Pleasure Proctor, MN	Yes/yes	Sept 15-17 Sport/Pleasure Pelican Rapids, MN	Yes/yes
Frida IRC	Mid-Atlantic	Pat Moore pat.moore81@verizon.net	Nicole K May 19-21 Middleburg, VA	Yes/yes		
Glitfaxi	Northeastern counties of the greater San Francisco Bay area	Gabriele Meyer gm@proryders.com				
Hestafolk	NW Washington NW/Canadian Border	Lisa MeKeen hestafolk@gmail.com	March 25/26 Freya Sturm Bellingham, WA	Yes/yes completed	May 6-8 Freya Sturm Bellingham, WA	Yes/yes
Klettafjalla IHC	Rocky Mountains	Julia Anderson sacredliving@msn.com	April 22-23 Coralie Denmeade Oakley, Utah	Yes/yes completed	June 17-18 Ulla Hudson Brighton, CO	Yes/yes
Kraftur	Northern CA	Bert Bates bert.bates@yahoo.com				
NEIHC	NE	Leslie Chambers lchambers17@comcast.net	April 21-23 Alex Dannenmann Hudson, NY	Yes/yes completed	June 2-4 Alex Pregitzer Granby, CT	Yes/yes
NWIHC	NW Ellensburg WA/eastern slope of the Cascades	Debby Dillard dbydill@gmail.com	June 23/24 Anrmar Sigurdarson Trout Lake WA	Yes/yes		
Ohio Valley IHC	Mid-west (OH, PA, WV, KY, TN, IN)	Juli Cole juli2875@yahoo.com				

Club	Region	Contact-RCC	Clinic #1	RCC Chair/ Calendar	Clinic #2	RCC Chair/ Calendar
Saint Skutla IHC	Central and Western NY	Andrea Barber toltstar@yahoo.com	June 17-18 Terral Hill Mendon, NY	Yes/yes		
Toppur IHC** (funding pending availability)	Iowa	Virginia Lauridsen virginia@ harmonyicelandics.com	April 21-23 Gudnumdar S. Irish Run Farms Des Moines IA	Yes/yes Completed		

Affiliated Clubs: USIHC contacts - May 2017

1. Alaska IHC Janet Mulder: janetmulder@gmail.com
2. California IA Asta Covert: asta@tolt.net
3. Cascade IHC Linda Eddy: lnd_eddy@yahoo.com
4. Flugnir IHC Kevin Draeger: kevinpdraeger@gmail.com
5. Frida IRC Pat Moore: pat.moore81@verizon.net
6. Gaedingar Suzy Oliver: solivergraphics@gmail.com
7. Glitfaxa IHC Gabriele Meyer: gm@proryders.com
8. Hestafolk Lisa McKeen: hestafolk@gmail.com
9. Klettafjalla IHC Julia Anderson: sacredliving@msn.com
10. Kraftur Bert Bates: bert.bates@yahoo.com
11. NEIHC Leslie Chambers: lchambers17@comcast.net
12. NWIHC Debby Dillard: dbydill@gmail.com
13. Ohio Valley IHC Juli Cole: juli2875@yahoo.com
14. Saint Skutla IHC Andrea Barber: toltstar@yahoo.com
15. Toppur IHC Virginia Lauridsen: virginia@harmonyicelandics.com

Affiliated Club Renewal Form for 2018: *(Proposed)*

Step 1

Please indicate at least five of the following people who are members of your club. If you cannot confirm at least five names, you should obtain signatures from other members of your club who also are members of the USIHC to show a total of at least five USIHC members from separate households. Any additional signatures should be made on copies of the attached form.

(List of Names of USIHC members who identify with this Affiliated Club is provided)

Step 2

Have your club by-laws changed in the past year? If so, please include a copy of the revised by-laws with this form.

Current Committee Chair may ask a Club to provide replacement documentation of the Club's by-laws, if this document cannot be obtained from club website or other public access venue. The Club should respond to the request within 30 days of receiving the request. If the Club cannot produce a current copy, or wishes to revise their by-laws, they must do so by the next renewal period, or ninety days, whichever is greater.(approved by 6 Clubs and 2 individuals).

Step 3

Please provide the contact information for the person in your club that the Congress Youth Committee Chair should contact regarding youth events *(for Regional Clubs only)*.

Youth coordinator's name:

email:

Phone:

Please provide the contact information for the person in your club responsible for participation in the Affiliated Club Committee (who will vote on behalf of your club, must be USIHC member)

Affiliated Club Representative name:

email:

Phone:

Step 4

Please print and sign your name in the spaces provided. By signing this form you affirm (Regional or Activity Club's name) is still an active club that supports the mission of the United States Icelandic Horse Congress.

Printed name:

Club Office:

Date:

(Affiliated Club's name Renewal Year)

Affiliated Club Application Form for 2018: *(Proposed)*

Application to Recognize an Affiliated Club of the US Icelandic Horse Congress To begin the process of becoming an approved Affiliated Club of the USIHC please complete the following form and submit it with a copy of your club’s by-laws to:

Leslie Chambers Affiliated Clubs Committee Chair
511 Copake Lake Rd Ext. Craryville, NY 12521
affiliated_clubs@icelandics.org

It is also recommended (but not required)that clubs provide:

- 1. A description of the club to be included on the icelandics.org website (4 Clubs voted for this as a requirement, as did 1 individual, 2 clubs and 2 individuals rejected as a requirement but were OK if voluntary)
- 2. Links to Websites and Facebook pages (9 Clubs voted in favor as did 4 individuals)

If you have specific questions about the form or about the Affiliated Club Program, please contact the Affiliated Club Committee Chair at the above address.

Club Information:

Club's Name:
Type of Club (Regional or Activity).....
Location/Area or Activity:.....
Website:

USIHC Representative Information:

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
E-Mail: Signature:
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To become an approved Affiliated Club of the USIHC, you must have at least five (5) people with separate individual and current USIHC memberships and who are full, voting members of the USIHC. Do we need to make a statement on "voting" ? The USIHC will send ballots to its members if a vote is required and I don't think there has been an occasion for the USIHC to ask affiliated clubs to vote on an issue and report back.

This requirement will be required each year for the club to keep Affiliated Club status. To fulfill this requirement, please submit the following from the individuals you have chosen.

The information may be supplied on separate pages. Please include the club's name on any attached pages.

Club & Congress Member #1:

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
E-Mail: Signature:
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Club & Congress Member #2:

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
E-Mail: Signature:
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Club & Congress Member #3:

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
E-Mail: Signature:
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Club & Congress Member #4:

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
E-Mail: Signature:
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Club & Congress Member #5:

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

Phone: Fax:

E-Mail: Signature:

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