



USIHC Board Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2022

8:00PM (Eastern)

Present: Will Covert, Janet Mulder, Leslie Chambers, Virginia Lauridsen, Lucy Nold, Lori Cretney, Jeff Rose, Martin Nielsen
Absent: Em Potts
Auditing: None

Will Covert called the meeting to order at 8:02pm EDT.

1. SECRETARY'S REPORT (MARTIN NIELSEN)

As of June 21, 2022, the USIHC has 787 Members in 596 Households.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT (LORI CRETNEY)

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

Combined bank account balances as of 5/31/22:	\$164,661.80
Unrestricted membership funds as of 5/31/22:	\$144,122.36
Net Change from 4/30/22:	\$5,094.35
Net Change from 12/31/21:	\$15,360.96

3. AFFILIATED CLUB COMMITTEE REPORT (LESLIE CHAMBERS)

Nothing to report.

4. BREEDING COMMITTEE REPORT (VIRGINIA LAURIDSEN).

Nothing to report.

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT (WILL COVERT AND JEFF ROSE)

See attached report from the judging seminar. The three new Sport B judges will be presented on Social Media as well as in the Quarterly. Jeff will convert his report to a brief note for the Quarterly.

6. LEISURE COMMITTEE REPORT (JANET MULDER)

The checkpoints passed for the S2SS ride at the beginning of June are attached.

7. PROMOTIONS AND WEBSITE REPORT (EMILY POTTS)

Nothing to report.

8. QUARTERLY COMMITTEE REPORT (NANCY BROWN)

See attached report.

9. SPORT COMMITTEE REPORT (MARTIN NIELSEN)

The Spring Virtual Show, the Flugnirkeppni, and the NEIHC Open have all been completed and the results uploaded. There have been multiple issues with the use of IceTest for the virtual show. A ransomware hack required a major effort by Doug Smith and Lutz Lesener taking IceTest offline and recreating all the lost data on an intermediary server. They got it back up and running, but it was still acting up for a while and it took a while to get all marks from all judges in the database. A few had to be re-entered manually. In the process, we also discovered an error with the National Ranking, but Em was able to address this quickly. Leslie and Em

took care of sending judges' comments to the virtual show riders. We have been getting questions from some members about results from 2019 still appearing on the national ranking. My response has been that the 2019 results will disappear from the ranking as we progress through the year, and that we should consider going back to the two-year system once we have a full season's worth of shows in the books by the end of the year.

10. YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT (LUCY NOLD)

Nothing to report.

11. Old Business

a. Frozen semen rules

This item was postponed giving Jeff Rose some time to look the proposed rules over.

12. New Business

a. Trainer certification survey

Virginia Lauridsen had suggested a survey with two purposes: 1. To apply for this year's test in Iowa, and 2. To indicate interest in taking tests in future years. The board supported this idea.

She also made the motion to proceed with this year's test in Iowa using two German trainers as evaluators, and to create an instructor category in addition to the trainer category. This motion was seconded by Janet Mulder, and all present voted in favor.

b. Bone spavin X-rays

The USIHC has had a formal agreement with a radiologist at Cornell University for assessing X-rays for bone spavin on Icelandic breeding stallions. However, he has now retired, so Virginia Lauridsen has been searching for a replacement. For this year, she has obtained an agreement from Dr. Sigríður Björnsdóttir, arguably the World's leading expert on Bone Spavin. While the board found that any board-certified radiologist would be able assess these x-rays, everyone agreed that Dr. Björnsdóttir would be the best possible choice. Virginia will reach out to her and agree on a fee structure.

c. Fee structure for NR/WR shows.

Two triple World Ranking (WR) shows are being planned for this year. Since we would like to see all WR shows also have National Ranking status, this would require registering and paying for both WR and NR registration for each show. With the triple setup, the registration cost becomes considerable. Will Covert made the motion to only require one NR fee for a triple show setup. Jeff Rose seconded the motion and all present voted in favor. With this decision, the organizer of a triple World Ranking show would be required to pay three WR registration fees but only one NR fee.

13. Miscellaneous.

There will be no meeting in July. The next board meeting will be on August 11, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03pm EDT.

Martin K Nielsen
USIHC secretary

United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of May 31, 2022

06/04/22

	May 31, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Associated Checking acct.	58,609.23
Associated Money Market Acct.	96,052.57
Total Checking/Savings	154,661.80
Other Current Assets	
CD2884 own USIHC mature 4/7/22	2,000.00
CD3696 ownUSIHC mature 10/7/22	2,000.00
CDs for Judge Scholarship Fund	
CD 3746-matures 4/15/22	3,000.00
CD 3720-matures 10/11/21	3,000.00
Total CDs for Judge Scholarship Fund	6,000.00
Total Other Current Assets	10,000.00
Total Current Assets	164,661.80
Other Assets	
Blood Profile Funding Refund	-5,000.00
Total Other Assets	-5,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	159,661.80
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Unexpended Educational Outreach	209.84
Unexpended Breeding Fund	970.18
Unexpended Judge Schlshp. Fund	4,000.00
Unexpended World Champshp Fund	6,672.69
Unexpended Youth Funds	8,686.73
Total Other Current Liabilities	20,539.44
Total Current Liabilities	20,539.44
Total Liabilities	20,539.44
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	96,926.56
Retained Earnings	26,834.84
Net Income	15,360.96
Total Equity	139,122.36
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	159,661.80

USIHC General Membership Funds

4/30/2022		5/31/2022
\$ 53,374.65	Checking	\$ 58,609.23
\$ 96,050.96	Money Market	\$ 96,052.57
\$ 10,000.00	CDs	\$ 10,000.00
\$ 159,425.61	Subtotal	\$ 164,661.80
\$ (954.74)	Breeding Fund	\$ (970.18)
\$ (207.91)	Educational Outreach	\$ (209.84)
\$ (4,000.00)	Judge Scholarship Fund	\$ (4,000.00)
\$ (6,627.35)	World Champ. Team Fund	\$ (6,672.69)
\$ (8,607.60)	Youth Fund	\$ (8,686.73)
\$ 139,028.01	USIHC Unrestricted Membership Funds	\$ 144,122.36

Net Change from 4/30/2022	
\$	5,094.35

12/31/2021 Balance	Net Change from 12/31/2021	
\$ 128,761.40	\$	15,360.96

**United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.
Profit and Loss Standard
January through May 2022**

Income		Expense	
Breeding Committee Income		Competition/Sport Expense	
Breeding Manual	\$ 27.98	2022 Virtual Sport Show Exp.	\$ 273.02
Total Breeding Committee Income	<u>\$ 27.98</u>	FEIF World Ranking Comp. Fee	<u>\$ 287.21</u>
Competition/Sport Income		Total Competition/Sport Exp.	<u>\$ 560.23</u>
Virtual Youth NR Entry Fees	\$ -	FEIF Conference Expense	
Virtual FEIF Youth Tryouts	\$ -	FEIF 2022 Conference Expense	\$ 649.12
Ice Test Fee Incom	\$ 25.73	Funding Programs	
NR Competiton Fees	\$ 592.02	Flagship Event-Clinic	\$ 250.00
Virtual Competition Entry Fee	\$ 2,670.80		
Virtual Competition Sponsorship	<u>\$ 248.06</u>	Membership Related Expenses	
Total Competition Sport Income	<u>\$ 3,536.61</u>	Administration	
Interest Income	\$ 9.03	Membership Postage	\$ 160.69
		Tax Preparation	\$ 405.50
Membership Related Income		Annual Meeting Expense	\$ 150.00
Farm Listing	\$ 2,020.88		
Stallion Listing	\$ 47.76	FEIF Related Expenses	\$ 2,262.11
Membership Dues		Quarterly Expenses	
Family Memberships	\$ 3,676.56	Graphics	\$ 2,000.00
Foreign Friend mbshp	\$ 378.80	Postage for Quarterly	\$ 1,098.96
Individual Memberships	\$ 11,342.74	Printing	<u>\$ 3,065.37</u>
Individual 3 Year Membership	\$ 1,604.16	Total Quarterly Expenses	<u>\$ 6,164.33</u>
Youth Membership	<u>\$ 334.32</u>	Service Fees	
Total Membership Dues	<u>\$ 17,336.58</u>	Bank Fees	\$ 33.00
		PayPal Refund Fees	\$ 12.90
Quarterly Income		Toll Free Line	\$ 77.75
Quarterly Ads Income	\$ 3,890.95	Website	<u>\$ 4,250.00</u>
Total Membership Related Inc.	<u>\$ 23,296.17</u>	Total Membership Related Exp.	<u>\$ 13,516.28</u>
		Promotional Expense	
Registry Income		Educational/Promotional Outreach	\$ 60.00
DNA	\$ 1,064.17	Promotional Postage Expense	\$ 15.50
Duplicate Registration Fees	\$ 145.52	RC Co-op Promo Exp.	<u>\$ 450.00</u>
Late Stallion Report Fees	\$ 980.10	Total Promotional Expense	<u>\$ 525.50</u>
Registration Fees	\$ 2,534.61	Registry Expenses	
Transfer Fees	<u>\$ 1,378.92</u>	DNA	\$ 495.00
Total Registry Income	<u>\$ 6,103.32</u>	Clerical for Registry	\$ 1,518.00
		Office Supplies	\$ 87.02
USIHC Non-Member Fees	<u>\$ 125.00</u>	Registry Postage	<u>\$ 136.00</u>
		Total Registry Expenses	<u>\$ 2,236.02</u>
Total Income	\$ 33,098.11	Total Expense	\$ 17,737.15
Net Income (Loss):		\$ 15,360.96	

United States Icelandic Horse Congress Inc.
Income & Expense Report
May 31, 2022

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expense</u>	
Breeding Committee Income		Competition/Sport Expense	
Breeding Manual	\$ -	2022 Virtual Sport Show Exp.	\$ -
Total Breeding Committee Income	<u>\$ -</u>	FEIF World Ranking Comp. Fee	<u>\$ -</u>
Competition/Sport Income		Total Competition/Sport Expense	<u>\$ -</u>
Ice Test Fee Income	\$ -	FEIF Conference Expense	
Virtual Youth NR Entry Fees	\$ -	FEIF 2022 Conference Expense	\$ 649.12
Virtual FEIF Youth Tryouts	\$ -	Funding Programs	
Virtual Competition Entry Fee	\$ 2,670.80	Flagship Event-Clinic	\$ -
Virtual Competition Sponsorship	\$ 248.06		
NR Competition Fees	<u>\$ 222.34</u>	Membership Related Expenses	
Total Competition Sport Income	<u>\$ 3,141.20</u>	Administration	
		Membership Postage	\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 1.61	Tax Preparation	\$ 405.50
		Annual Meeting Expense	\$ -
Membership Related Income		FEIF Related Expenses	\$ -
Farm Listing	\$ 212.32	Quarterly Expenses	
Stallion Listing	\$ -	Graphics	\$ 1,000.00
		Postage for Quarterly	\$ 558.79
Membership Dues		Printing	<u>\$ -</u>
Family Memberships	\$ 306.88	Total Quarterly Expenses	<u>\$ 1,558.79</u>
Foreign Friend mbshp	\$ 76.72	Service Fees	
Individual Memberships	\$ 2,187.12	Bank Fees	\$ -
Individual 3 Year Membership	\$ -	PayPal Refund Fees	\$ -
Youth Membership	<u>\$ 191.04</u>	Toll Free Line	\$ 15.55
Total Membership Dues	<u>\$ 2,761.76</u>	Website	<u>\$ -</u>
		Total Membership Related Exp.	<u>\$ 1,979.84</u>
Quarterly Income		Promotional Expense	
Quarterly Ads Income	<u>\$ -</u>	Educational/Promotional Outreach	\$ -
Total Membership Related Inc.	<u>\$ 2,974.08</u>	Promotional Postage Expense	\$ -
		RC Co-op Promo Exp.	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
Registry Income		Total Promotional Expense	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
DNA	\$ 623.64	Registry Expenses	
Duplicate Registration Fees	\$ -	DNA	\$ 309.00
Late Stallion Report Fees	\$ 296.02	Clerical for Registry	\$ 636.00
Registration Fees	\$ 1,006.56	Office Supplies	\$ 66.77
Transfer Fees	<u>\$ 841.97</u>	Registry Postage	<u>\$ -</u>
Total Registry Income	<u>\$ 2,768.19</u>	Total Registry Expenses	<u>\$ 1,011.77</u>
		Total Expense	<u>\$ 3,790.73</u>
USIHC Non-Member Fees	\$ -		
Total Income	<u>\$ 8,885.08</u>		

Net Income (Loss): \$ 5,094.35

Sport Judge Seminar with Thorgeir Gudlaugsson, June 2-5, Larkspur, Co

By Jeff Rose

Overall very successful, 8 attendees, 5 test takers, and two test passers, with the USIHC qualifying Paetra Hennigar and Coralie Denmeade as USIHC Sport B Judges. The process was exceedingly fair, with even-handed evaluations for all those taking the exams.

The four-day format (with a theoretical test on Saturday evening and practical testing on Sunday) is brutal.

Some participants were overwhelmingly positive about the clinic, directly seeing its applicability to their own riding and goals in the USIHC going forward - at least one participant plans on sitting for the exam again next year.

Some participants were frustrated by the clinic and its very high-level, unforgiving format.

From what I (Jeff) saw, the format is very fair, but it's a lot to take in. The pre-seminar zoom meeting with Alex P. was an essential first step. I think a second pre-seminar zoom meeting with Alex P. / Thorgeir / the instructor to talk about the format, talk about what's being tested in more detail, and enter into the theory lectures in more detail would be helpful. It also might allow the in-person portion to focus more on the practical components of judging, freeing up a little more time for people to gather their thoughts and prepare for the practical exam in a more meaningful way.

This is a seminar that benefits the USIHC more than the local hosts. I think we should consider increasing the level of USIHC support for this seminar, including a monetary component and something to help guide people's expectations a little more about what participants learn, why it's presented this way, how it fits in with FEIF, and just how significant the qualification as a Sport B or C judge really is.

2022 S2SS Ride			
Individuals	200	400	600
"Nilla" Anna Pernilla Ekström-Rypka			
Emily Potts			
Sue Roska			
Rachel Miller			
Debra Duvall	5/1/2022		
Pierre Lessard	3/6/22	5/1/22	6/5/22
Orianna Dwyer			
Jackie Thurston			
Lynda Zur	3/6/22	5/1/22	
Terri Meilke	6/5/22		

Teams	200	400	600	800	1000	1200
AIHA	5/1/22	6/5/22				
Alaska Arctic Riders	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22	
Cascade NW Icelandics	5/1/22	6/5/22				
Cedar Tree Icelandics	2/1/22			4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22
Frozen Tundra Tölter	2/1/22	2/1/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	4/2/22
Hestafolk	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	6/5/22	6/5/22
Hestafolk 2	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22
Ice Trekkers	2/1/22	2/1/22	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	3/6/22
Merrimack Valley Icelandics	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	
Merry Maryland Mares	3/6/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	6/5/22		
Northcountry Tölter	2/1/22	2/1/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22
Sirius Tolting Trekkers	5/1/22					
Solfaxi	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22
Solheimer Dream Team	2/1/22	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22
Coastal Maine Icelandics	2/1/22	3/6/22	4/2/22			
Toppur	2/1/22	3/6/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22
Tolt-A-Holics	2/1/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22
West Coast Tolting Girls	2/1/22	2/1/22	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	3/6/22
WYO Toltsetters	2/1/22	3/6/22	3/6/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	

Teams	1400	1600	1800	2000	2200	2400
AIHA						
Alaska Arctic Riders	6/5/22	6/5/22				
Cascade NW Icelandics						
Cedar Tree Icelandics	5/1/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22	
Frozen Tundra Tölterers	5/1/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22		
Hestafolk	6/5/22	6/5/22				
Hestafolk 2	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22
Ice Trekkers	4/2/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22	5/1/22
Merrimack Valley Icelandics	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22			
Merry Maryland Mares						
Northcountry Tölterers	5/1/22					
Sirius Tolting Trekkers						
Solfaxi	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22			
Solheimer Dream Team	5/1/22	5/1/22	6/5/22	6/5/22		
Coastal Maine Icelandics						
Toppur	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22		
Tolt-A-Holics						
West Coast Tolting Girls	4/2/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	4/2/22	5/1/22	5/1/22
WYO Toltsetters						

Teams	2600	2800	3000	3200
AIHA				
Alaska Arctic Riders				
Cascade NW Icelandics				
Cedar Tree Icelandics				
Frozen Tundra Tölter				
Hestafolk				
Hestafolk 2	6/5/22			
Ice Trekkers	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22	
Merrimack Valley Icelandics				
Merry Maryland Mares				
Northcountry Tölter				
Sirius Tolting Trekkers				
Solfaxi				
Solheimer Dream Team				
Coastal Maine Icelandics				
Toppur				
Tolt-A-Holics				
West Coast Tolting Girls	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22	6/5/22
WYO Toltsetters				

Quarterly Committee report

June 16, 2022

submitted by Nancy Brown

The Quarterly committee is now hard at work on Issue Three 2022. The deadline for articles & illustrations (including possible cover photos) is July 1. Board members and committee chairs, please send us any text, photos, or advertisements you want us to print in this issue. Remember that ads for USIHC events & programs are free, space permitting.

After editing and committee review, the submissions will enter the design stages on July 15; our press date is August 1. The e-Quarterly should be ready on August 15, with printed copies mailed by September 1.

We are budgeted to print 600 copies of this issue, which is only a little more than enough to cover our current mailing list. If you need copies for promotional purposes between September and December, please contact quarterly@icelandics.org in early July so that we can plan and increase our print run if necessary.