

Icelandic Horse Society of Great Britain
Minutes of Board Meeting



Date: 07:12:2020		Venue: Zoom	
Attendees: Peter Heathcote (PH) Chair, Karen Smith (KS) Becca Hughes (BH), Ellen Brimble (EB), Mike Adams (MA), Jem Adams (JA), Debbie Ede (DE) H Ashford (H) Philippa Pringle (PP) Freija Glansdorp (FG)			
	Notes and Actions	Owner	Status
1.	<p>Approval of minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes of the meeting of 10/11/2020 were approved. 		
2.	<p>Trustee Reports</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1. Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair apologised to DE for omitting to thank her at the AGM for all her hard work throughout the year and also for the AGM Minutes which were completed so promptly. • A discussion took place about pin badges which some members have requested both as a recognition of years of membership and also to wear at external events and shows to identify the breed and the Society. 250 badges will cost £362.00 but do not come in the different colours (bronze, silver, gold) that some requested. These could be hand painted and Mic Rushen has kindly agreed to do this if it goes ahead. Trustees agreed that the badges should go ahead but would like to see a sample first. BH to organise. Discussions on final design to be continued. • Fi Pugh has agreed to run Judge Training again. This will probably start in late Jan, dates to be finalised. Further training could be offered to those wishing to retake the exam and some refresher sessions for the newly qualified judges as a result of the restrictions of C19. • Feedback from the AGM was extremely positive overall and the Chair congratulated Trustees on the work they had put in. One comment suggested that names of attendees would have been useful. • It has been suggested that next year a live and virtual event could be held simultaneously. Further discussions will take place but the Board were in agreement that this could be a very positive and inclusive way forward. • In the past the Icelandic Ambassador to the UK has 		



	<p>been invited to the British Championships and it has been suggested that with a newly appointed Ambassador an invitation could be extended this year. It was agreed that the Saturday would be the most appropriate day. <i>PH will follow up.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p style="text-align: center;">2. Leisure</p> <p>No-one has been in post since the Leisure Trustee stood down in the Summer and so the work has been taken on by BH and KS. This has gone well. As no-one stood for the post this year it was agreed that they should continue to manage the role between them until the next AGM</p> <p>A point was made that maybe there should be further discussions around the longer-term structural role of the Society. The considerable geographical distances between members can create difficulties for both members and Trustees in either organising or participating in events. This discussion will be taken forward to a future meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3. Youth</p> <p>BH thanked Ian Pugh for his work on the web-site which now has a dedicated youth section. This includes the youth awards launched at the AGM.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">4. Sport</p> <p>Aston Le Walls has been booked for the British Championships and Summer Show 2021. This will take place on the last weekend in June. 26/27. The Winter tolt on line competition will soon be launched. There are some exciting prizes lined up. The tests will be T1, T8, T2, T6. MA will be circulating the final proposals for the team selection for the World Championships. These have to be completed by end of Jan 21.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5. Stud Book</p> <p>Very busy with a number of foal registrations still coming in as well as imports and stallions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6. Education</p> <p>The FEIF Level 1 course opportunity is progressing well with materials being looked at. Fi Pugh and Sandy Carson are assisting. The web-site now managed by Ian Pugh is going well with</p> 	PH	
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	<p>many improvements already.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7. Finance and Secretarial</p> <p>Debbie asked that the updated signatory mandate for access to the Society's bank accounts and investments, previously circulated, be approved. This was agreed unanimously. She also advised that the mandatory Annual Returns to the Charity Commission and OSCR had been made this week and the confirmation statement for Companies House completed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">8. Breeding</p> <p>The Breed Team are aiming to hold a FIZO assessment next year, probably in early May. EB has written to all those who expressed an interest. Some positive responses have already been received. The event will receive publicity through the normal channels when dates have been finalised. There will be a Webinar in Jan about preparing a horse for a FIZO assessment and further Webinars during 2021 featuring the foals of 2021 and a Young Horse webinar.</p>	<p>JA</p> <p>All</p> <p>EB</p>	
4.	<p>Date of next meeting: 11/01/2021 Zoom</p> <p>.</p>		