Intercollegiate Meat Coaches Association

Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting
June 21, 2009

- Terry Houser called the meeting to order at the John Q. Hammons Center in Rogers, Arkansas at 8 am (CDT).
- Motion was made to accept the 2008 minutes by Mark Miller and seconded by Jodie Pitcock. Motion passed.
- Election for new Executive Board Directors of the IMCA was conducted. Nominations were Tyler Hickman and Phil Reilly for the A division coach and Jake Nelson and Ian Shann for the A division At-Large. Jodie Pitcock made a motion that nominations cease and Leslie Garcia seconded. Motion passed.
- Terry Houser notified the group of conversation and communication with AMSA board to have an IMCA representative as an ex-officio member on the AMSA board. Discussion was made by Brad Morgan, Duane Wulf, Mark Miller, Jimmy Wise, Steve Campano, Davey Griffin, Gretchen Hilton, and Glen Dolezal. Paul Berg made a motion to table this topic and Gretchen Hilton seconded. Motion Failed
- Gretchen made the motion to have an IMCA representative as an ex-officio member on the AMSA board and Mark Miller seconded. Motion passed
- Mark Miller made a motion for the IMCA Executive Board to designate the representative on an annual basis. Jodie Pitcock seconded. Motion passed
- Randy Harp made a motion to accept the new by-laws changes as recommended by the Executive Board. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed
- Randy made a motion to accept new rules and regulations as recommended by the Executive Board. Davey Griffin seconded. Motion passed
- Thomas Powell gave the financial report. He indicated we ended the past year with approximately $5000. Also, we had an endowment balance of $124,000 for Meat Judging with AMSA and a total contribution of $34,000 to date for the Rachael Hamilton Endowment. We need $6000 more to complete our original goal for this endowment.
- Steve Campano, AMSA President, addressed the group.
- Terry Houser made a motion and Davey Griffin seconded to make a policy statement to the IMCA Rules and Regulations. “All major changes to the current contest format must have been reviewed by the IMCA Executive Board before it is brought for a vote by full IMCA membership”. This was discussed by Mark Miller, Davey Griffin, and Michael Dikeman. After discussion, Randy Harp asked to make a friendly amendment to strike “must” and add “is recommended to be submitted to and be reviewed by”. The friendly amendment was accepted. Motion passed.
- Davey Griffin made a request that the agenda be distributed through email approximately one month prior to RMC
- Terry Houser brought up the concern for the enforcement of the Code of Conduct policy that is in place. Discussion was made by Mark Miller, Brad Morgan, Jimmy Wise, and Terry Houser. Jodie Pitcock made the motion to have each
student and coach sign a policy statement from the code of conduct prior to participation in the first contest of each fall and spring semesters. Sara Wells seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- Terry Houser made the motion and Randy Harp seconded to change Sec. III Part C subpart 9 of the rules and regulations to: “No electronic devices are allowed into the plant at contests, including but not limited to cell phones, pagers, music playing, recording devices, or stop watches.” Discussion was made by Jodie Pitcock, Terry Houser, Mark Miller, Jimmy Wise, Sara Wells, and Davey Griffin. A motion was made by Mark Miller to amend the original motion to take off “stop watches”. Seconded by Gretchen. Amendment failed. The original motion passed.

- The new directors were recognized and are Tyler Hickman and Ian Shann.

- The Directors for the Executive Board for 2009/2010 are: Terry Houser, Past President; Chad Carr, President; and Gretchen Hilton, Ryan Edgecomb, Bryan Lindley, Tyler Hickman and Ian Shann. Davey Griffin made the motion and Clint Alexander seconded to nominate Gretchen Hilton as President-elect. Motion passed.

- Terry announced the winner of the 2009 Meritorious Meat Judging Service Award to be H. Glen Dolezal.

- Recognition was also given to Duane Wulf for his years of service and dedication to Meat Judging. He and his family are embracing a career change and moving to Mexico.

- Jimmy Wise was also recognized for his time and efforts for meat judging. Furthermore, everyone was asked to remember Jimmy during this time of the loss of his father.

- Jimmy Wise announced that the contest dates posted on the internet.

NEW BUSINESS

- Duane Wulf, Keith Belk and Gretchen Hilton discussed “Global Meat Judging” (GMJ) with the group. Keith indicated that AMSA is make strides in strategic planning to look at this concept. He requested both interest and input from the group in this formulation of an action plan. Mark Miller made a motion and Jodie Pitcock seconded for IMCA Executive Board to take a lead on GMJ and report to the AMSA board. Motion passed.

- Davey Griffin made a motion and Jodie Pitcock seconded to allow the expansion of the weight breaks for the “Value Based Pricing Class”. Motion passed.

- Mark Miller initiated discussion for the 2010 RMC IMCA coaches clinic at Texas Tech University. The thought at this time is to conduct an all day Saturday clinic. Further discussion was noted to involve Kansas State University in the planning for 2011 RMC. The IMCA Executive Board will take the lead and conduct the planning with the RMC sites for these coaches clinics.
• Sherry Olson indicated that the Iowa State University Invitational is set for Oct. 10th 2009 and everyone is invited. This is a change from the past.
• Clint Alexander announced that the Beef Empire Days is set for September 27 2009.
• Terry Houser passed the gavel to Chad Carr.
• Chad Carr adjourned the meeting.