

ILR GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA  
Tuesday, February 18, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER – 5:02 Pacific**

**Attendees**

ILR Governing Board	
Debbie Arendas - GB Chair	Ana Reese - Performance
Stephen Fritz	Jennie Hodgen - Youth
Kyle Mumford	Fran Soukup - Judges
Tor Sorenson	Courtnee Onsager - Halter
Benjamin Carothers	Cindy Ruckman - Fleece
	Julie Hendrikson - Show Superintendent
	Denise Fehrenbach - Futurity

**Next ILR Governing Board Meeting - May 20th**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS -**

**Halter Committee: Courtnee Onsager**

No update from the Halter committee at this time.

**Performance Committee: Ana Reese**

The performance committee is discussing adding guidelines for an optional Masters Performance class.

**Youth Committee: Jennie Hodgen**

The youth committee is focusing on guidance for Youth Judging classes.

**Fleece Committee: Cindy Ruckman**

The committee has met and is reviewing 2025 Guidelines for changes.

**Show Superintendent Committee: Julie Hendrikson**

The committee is working on documenting guidance for show superintendents.

**Futurity Committee: Denise Fehrenbach**

The committee met and discussed Spring Showcase futurity judges. They will meet at the Showcase to assist with running the futurity classes.

**Judges Committee: Fran Soukup**

The judges committee voted to approve Ana Reese for Permanent Certification and as an HPY Teaching Judge, and requested Governing Board approval.

Fran made a motion to approve Ana Reese for permanent certification. Tor seconded.

Unanimous approval. Ana abstained.

Fran made a motion to approve Ana Reese as an HPY Teaching judge. Steve seconded.

Unanimous approval. Ana abstained.

Complaints were received regarding a show held in 2024, where a judge awarded first place to her daughter in Showmanship. The guidelines are clear that this is not permitted, the Judges committee requests that the placement, awards, and points be vacated. After discussion, Denise made a motion to remove the Showmanship placement, awards, and points for the exhibitor in question at that show. Benjamin seconded. Unanimous approval.

Fran reported that all judges have paid their dues for 2025.

The committee is working on an evaluation form for clinics that attendees and teaching judges can view prior to the Georgia clinic.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Committee secretaries should send approved minutes to Susan with the wording "TO POST" in the subject line.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Governing board received a Grievance regarding the conduct of a judge on social media and attending a show as an observer.

After discussion, Tor made a motion to classify the grievance as invalid. Steve seconded.

Unanimous approval.

While it was determined that no ILR-SD Guidelines were violated, Tor made a motion to send a letter of concern to the member who was the subject of the complaint. Benjamin seconded.

Unanimous approval.

The group also discussed a letter to all judges refreshing professionalism expectations, along with refresher on other Guidelines including judging family members. Fran will take it to the Judges committee.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

**Courtnee made a motion to adjourn 5:55 Pacific. Steve seconded. Unanimous approval.**

## **ILR BOD SHORT BOARD MEETING TO APPROVE GOVERNING BOARD Approvals**

Steve called meeting to order at 5:56 Pacific.

Kyle made a motion to affirm Ana Reese as Permanently Certified and HPY Teaching Judge.  
Benjamin seconded. Unanimous approval.

Benjamin made a motion to affirm the removal of Showmanship awards and points with regard to the conflict of interest placement. Tor seconded. Unanimous approval.

Tor made a motion to affirm the vote of the grievance as invalid, and send a letter of concern.  
Deb seconded. Unanimous approval.

Tor made a motion to adjourn at 6:07 Pacific. Deb seconded. Unanimous approval.