

The meeting of the Judges Committee was called to order by Committee Chair, Fran Soukup, at 7:05 PM CST on December 12th, 2024. Fran Soukup, Jerrika Mumford, Tami Lash, Nick Hauptly were in attendance.

Old Business:

The committee discussed the upcoming open book test. Jerrika, Tami, and Fran emailed questions to the committee for review. Cindy Ruckman also sent questions in for fleece. Nick & Cathie are working on their questions. Once all questions are in Nick will draft the test for the committee to review.

- Performance - Cathie
- Youth - Nick
- Halter & Futurity - Jerrika & Tami
- Administrative & Grievance - Fran
- Fleece - the Fleece Committee

New Business:

We received a request from Anna Reese to become a permanently certified judge and a teaching judge. Cathie motioned to approve Anna. Nick seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Tricia Schneeberger wrote the committee to inform that she would not be renewing her judge certification. The committee thanks Tricia for her service to the ILR-SD.

The ALSA judges committee has requested ILR to accept ALSA apprentice evaluations. ALSA currently accepts ILR apprentice evaluations. The committee discussed allowing apprentice evaluations from ALSA if the judge is also an ILR-SD Teaching Judge. Fran motioned to approve of her bringing this to the ALSA judges chair for feedback. Motion was approved.

The committee received a letter regarding a judging issue at a show. The committee also received a copy of a grievance regarding a judge. Nick motioned to enter an executive session at approximately 7:20 PM to discuss. Cathie seconded. Motion passed. Cathie motioned to leave executive session at 8 PM. Nick seconded. Motion passed. Letters will be sent to the judge and the superintendent at the show. Fran will bring the committee's other recommendations to the Governing Board.

Nick sent a draft newsletter to the committee for review. The committee agreed it looked good. Fran had some additions. Nick will revise and send another draft for review.

The next meeting was tentatively set for January 23rd or the 29th, pending confirmation of the new committee member, at 7 PM central standard time. Tami motioned to adjourn the meeting. Cathie seconded. Motion approved unanimously. Adjourned at 8:14 PM CST.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerrika Mumford