

ILR-SD Youth Committee Meeting
Conference Call: Monday, June 19, 2017
Meeting called to order at 8:06 pm Eastern Time
Action items are listed in **bold**.

In attendance: Debbie Shellabarger (chair), Michelle Kutzler (secretary), Tabbethia Haubold, Elaine Brovont, Jessie Munson, Sean Hart (ILR-SD board liaison).

I. Old Business

- A. Minutes from the February 22, 2017 meeting were approved via email and submitted to ILR office on February 27, 2017. However, they are not posted on the website yet so they were re-emailed to the ILR office on June 19, 2017.
- B. There are problems with the Senior Youth Ages listed on Show Manager and on the ILR Website (<https://secure.lamaregistry.com/youth/youth-division.php>) but it is correct in the Guidelines.
 - 1. Senior youth ages are 16 - 19 NOT 16 - 18 as listed on the website.
 - 2. **Action item: Kristy Brown will make sure this is corrected.**
- C. Proposed National Llama Youth Program
 - 1. Discussion on this topic was removed from the list of Old Business until some future time when Kristy Brown & Harvey Pool can develop this idea more fully.
 - 2. **Action item: Michelle will draft an email to Kristy Brown (ilr.executive.director@gmail.com) and Harvey Pool regarding this program.**

II. New Business

- A. Joint Subcommittee with ILR-SD Halter Committee
 - 1. A letter was sent to the ILR-SD Halter Committee on February 27, 2017 requesting the formation of a joint subcommittee between our two committees to develop written instructions for llama showmanship maneuvers (both adult and youth). Although the letter was received, no response has been provided by the Halter Committee yet.
 - 2. **Action item: Michelle will revise the letter to the Halter Committee, send it to the Youth Committee for review, and then have Debbie email it to the Halter Committee.**
- B. Youth age division change requested from the ILR-SD Halter committee.
 - 1. A proposal in regard to age group banding of youth divisions. The proposal will allow simplification of marketing with 4-H and ALSA shows. The Halter Committee proposes aligning ages as follows:

Proposed: Jr Youth: 7-11 Years	Intermediate: 12-14 Years	Senior: 15-19 Years
Current: Jr Youth: 7-11 Years	Intermediate: 12-15 Years	Senior: 16-19 Years
 - 2. Michelle motioned to accept the proposed youth age division change, which was seconded by Tabbethia. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.
 - 3. **Action item: Debbie will let the Halter Committee know about this decision.**
- C. Joint Subcommittee with the ILR-SD Performance Committee
 - 1. The Performance Committee Chair would like both committees to discuss the requirement of having senior youth animals move directly into advanced performance classes when they age out of senior youth with their youth animal. Youth do not get the same awards that the adults do when they go from novice to advanced performance divisions.
 - 2. There was quite a bit of discussion on this topic, which ended with unanimous support by the Youth Committee members to for a Joint Subcommittee with the Performance Committee to develop some solutions how to tackle this controversial issue.
 - 3. **Action item: Debbie will let the Performance Committee know about this decision.**
- D. Next ILRSD Youth Committee meeting date could not be decided on during the meeting.
Action item: Michelle will send out a doodle poll to find a date/time in July that will work for most of the Youth Committee members.

III. Adjournment: Motioned by Tabbethia and seconded by Elaine; unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Kutzler, ILR-SD Youth Committee Secretary