

2021 AMHA Annual Meeting & Convention Voting Items

The following proposals will be presented to the membership for vote at the 2021 Annual Meeting and Convention. If you have questions regarding any of these items, please contact the appropriate committee chair.

All deletions will be strikethrough & changes will be indicated by bold and underlined print. The number on the right side is for identification purposes only.

2021 Bylaws Amendments

Article XVI, Section A, Amendment of Rules

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#2106

Submitted by: AMHA Office

1. Anyone submitting an AMHA Rule Change Proposal must be a current AMHA member in good standing for the proposal to be forwarded on to the proper committee. AMHA Staff may submit Rule Change Proposals. To be eligible for consideration by a standing committee a rule change proposal or amendment must be presented **to the AMHA office**, in writing and signed by the originator **within 30 days after** ~~prior to~~ the adjournment of the AMHA Annual Meeting. All proposed Show Rule amendments must be presented with five (5) original co-signatures of AMHA members in good standing. All proposed amendments will be reviewed by staff, Executive Director (if applies), and then passed on with an impact statement to the appropriate committee(s) for evaluation. The affected committees will then review the proposed changes and word them in the appropriate legal terms. The committees cannot change the intent of the rule as it was received from its original source. The change will then be presented for consideration on the agenda of the appropriate committee at the mid-year Board of Directors Meeting. If the rule change proposal is adopted by the committee it will then be voted on and approved by a majority of the Board of Directors (Refer to the AMHA Rule Change Flow Chart for specific time limits) (Amended 02-02, effective 01-03) (Amended 02-04, effective 01-05) (Amended 02-06, effective 01-07) (Amended 02-09, effective 01-10) (Amended 02-11, effective 01-12)

The Board of Directors may amend the rule proposal at the mid-year meeting; however, the amendment must be closely related to or have a direct bearing on the rule. The presiding officer or parliamentarian may choose to accept or refuse an amendment if he or she deems it inappropriate. The amendment must be voted on and accepted by a majority of the Board of Directors prior to being included in the rule. The rule and amendment are then returned to the appropriate committee for rewrites. The committee cannot change the intent of the rule as amended. The proposal will then be placed on the agenda for approval at the Annual Meeting.

If the committee does not approve the proposal it can be considered at the Annual Meeting provided that the supporters can garner a petition with no changes to the original proposal signed by a minimum of one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board of Directors and meet the timeliness requirements for publishing the proposal in the Miniature Horse World or official correspondence. (Amended 06-03, effective 01-04) (Amended 02-14, effective 01-16) (Amended 02-16, effective 01-17)

All rule proposals or amendments to be considered to approval at the AMHA Annual Meeting must be published in their finished form on the AMHA website ~~in the Miniature Horse World~~ or official correspondence no less than sixty (60) days prior to the AMHA Annual Meeting. (Amended 06-03, effective 01-04)

This Bylaw change will also affect the AMHA Rule Change Flow Chart on pages 66-67

Article XIX, Section A, Amendment of Bylaws page 33 #2107

Submitted by: AMHA Office

Requirement of prior notice

Anyone of submitting an AMHA Bylaw Change Proposal must be a current AMHA member in good standing for the proposal to be forwarded on to the Bylaws Committee. All proposed Bylaw changes must be presented with ten (10) co-signatures of AMHA members in good standing or have been submitted and recommended by the Bylaws Committee. AMHA staff may present proposed changes to the Bylaws Committee without (10) co-signatures. To be eligible for consideration by Bylaws Committee, a proposal or amendment must be presented **to the AMHA office**, in writing and signed by the originator **within 30 days after** ~~prior to~~ the adjournment of the AMHA **Annual National** ~~Convention~~. All proposed amendments shall be reviewed by staff, Executive Director (if applies) and then passed on with an impact statement to the Bylaws Committee. The Committee will then review the proposed changes and word them in the appropriate legal terms. The Committee cannot change the intent of the Bylaw as it was received from it's original source. Only the submitter may make changes to the original proposal prior to or at the mid-year Bylaws Committee meeting. All Bylaws proposals or amendments to be considered for approval at the AMHA Annual Meeting must be published in their finished form **on the AMHA website** ~~in the MHW~~ or official correspondence no less than sixty (60) days prior to the AMHA Annual Meeting. The amendment will then be placed on the agenda at the proceeding Annual Meeting. (Amended 02-08, effective 01-09) (Amended 02-11, effective 01-12) (Amended 02-13, effective 01-14) (Amended 11-18, effective 01-19)

Submitted by: AMHA Office

Insert new B, re-letter existing B-C to C-D

(B) Any disputes that are a result of interpretation of the content, intent, or implication of a bylaw contained in the current AMHA Rule Book shall be forwarded to the AMHA Attorney for resolution. The AMHA's Attorney's written opinion will be accepted as the final decision.

Article IX, Section 10-(F) Duties of the Treasurer

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#2111

Submitted by: Finance Committee

(F) Year End Review Auditing

The Association shall conduct all of its affairs and accounts on the calendar year basis. An annual commercial **compilation** ~~auditing~~ of the Association shall be made by an independent Certified Public Accountant at the close of each calendar year with such **compilation** ~~audit~~ to be posted on the Official American Miniature Horse Association Website as of April 1st. Such accountant shall be a disinterested person and not a member of the Association. A copy of the **compilation** ~~audit~~ may be requested by calling the AMHA office. (Amended 2-13, effective 01-14)

Article VI, Section 1 Annual Meeting

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#2112a

Submitted by: Lauren Greaves

The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and ~~place~~ **in such a manner** as shall be determined at the Annual Meeting. **Members may participate in the Annual Meeting in person or by electronic means, approved by the Board of Directors, as long as all members can hear each other simultaneously.** ~~Commencing in 1994 the city of the meeting shall be selected by the membership at its Annual Meeting.~~ (Amended 02-03, effective 01-04) (Amended 11-18, effective 01-19)

Article VI, Section 4, C Voting

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#2112b

Submitted by: Lauren Greaves

(C) Quorum

At any meeting of the members of the Association a quorum to do business shall consist of the majority of the largest number of Regular Members in good standing that have registered ~~for at~~ such meeting.

Article VII, Section 6, C Telephone Conference Meetings page 23 #2112c

Submitted by: Lauren Greaves

(C) ~~Electronic Telephone Conference Meetings~~

The Board of Directors may conduct any meeting **of the Board of Directors by electronic means as long as everyone can hear each other simultaneously.** ~~Other than the Annual Meeting, by telephone.~~

Article VIII, Section 2, B Duties

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#2112d

Submitted by: Lauren Greaves

(B) The Committee may **meet by electronic means as long as all members can hear each other simultaneously or may** act (without conversing in meeting) by written resolution signed by all the members thereof and duly entered in the Association's records. At all meetings of the Committee, four (4) members shall constitute a quorum.