

**Mini/Draft Sub-Committee**  
**January Leaders Meeting**  
**1-26-09**

Discussion on what to do about operating guidelines

- Horse program rules
  - Doesn't delineate between Horses, Minis or Drafts
  - Supposed to cover the whole program, not just light-weights
  - Mini rules and light-weight rules are pretty much the same
  - Question: Do we need the Mini rules, or can we just add them to the Horse rules??
  - Vote: Suspend the Operating Guidelines
    - Patricia Fons made the motion
    - Bob Decker seconded
    - Motion passed
  - Added Mini/Draft rules into overall Horse Program Guidelines
    - Patricia Fons to create the draft rules
- Miniature Horse guidelines
  - Discussion on showmanship
    - Required for states and was unanimously decided to add requirement for mini horse
    - If you don't want to go to states, you don't have to do showmanship
  - Point: Fitting and showing is what the program is all about, its about the grooming and knowledge of horses and the project
  - Gloves must be worn for driving
  - Measuring:
    - AMHR rules/guidelines apply
    - Old members and horses are grandfathered. Don't need to be measured
    - If registered – the height of the horse the registration papers will be used
    - If un registered - Must be measured by May 1
      - AMHR guidelines apply
      - 2 witnesses need to be present for measuring
      - Need to be from different clubs
      - Must be from horse clubs
  - Class Changes
    - Dividing all classes into Jr., Sr., and Clover sprouts
    - Jr. – 12 and under
    - Sr. – 13 and up
    - Horses can be shared, but restrictions apply when driving
    - Showmanship to be judged at gate, entries not held in ring
    - People sharing horses must make some decisions on what classes each person needs to do if they are group classes, such as driving, costume, musical buckets, command
    - Horses can be shared for gaming, contestants can use another persons' REGISTERED horse in gaming if not being used.
    - Poles and musical buckets will be at all mini shows
  - Motion made to add Miniature horse guidelines to Horse Project Rules and Regulations
    - Kelly Goolsby made motion

- Heather Verfaillie seconds
    - Motion passed
  - Motion for Show changes (Jr. and Sr. divisions)
    - Patricia Fons made motion
    - Faye Cerku seconded
    - Motion passed
  - Decision about large ribbons tabled for next meeting
- Meeting Adjourned at 7 pm
  - Faye made motion
  - Patricia Fons seconded