

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
THE INDIANA STANDARD BRED ASSOCIATION
Tuesday, November 4, 2025
ISA Office, Greenfield, Indiana**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President, John DeLong, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present were ISA President John DeLong, 2nd Vice President Doug Rideout, ISA Secretary Emily Dever, ISA Treasurer Rhys Helt, Chad Clark, Jay Hochstetler, Carrie Hollman, Jamie Macomber, John Merkel and James Yoder. Lisa Krise, Accounts Manager, Kristi Collett, ISA Office Manager, Tony Renz, ISA Executive Director, Roger Young, ISA Attorney and ISA Lobbyists Matt Norris and Adam Kallick. Mike McDaniel, ISA Lobbyist and 1st Vice President Robert Taylor, Directors Ernie Gaskin and Joe Essig, Jr. were not present. Guest present: Tammy Knox

III. MEETING AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 29, 2025 (October meeting)

Motion by Emily Dever to approve the Minutes of the September 29, 2025 (October) Regular Meeting. Seconded by Jay Hochstetler. Motion carried.

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES October 1, 2025 to November 1, 2025.

Motion by Emily Dever to approve Account Expenditures from October 1, 2025 to November 1, 2025. Jamie Macomber seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. ISA LOBBYIST REPORTS

Matt Norris gave an update on legislative issues, including the current status of the potential move of a casino license to Indianapolis. Matt also commended Adam Kallick for the success of the Governor Braun event at the end of October.

Adam Kallick also gave a report on legislative updates, including iGaming and the potential new casino move. Adam informed the Board that a statement was released and supported by all three racing breeds regarding the concerns to the industry if the casino would be added to downtown Indianapolis.

4. 2026 ELECTION UPDATE

President John DeLong announced that no election was necessary and the new members of the 2026 Board are Daryl D. Miller and Jason Miller. The Directors reelected were Rhys Helt, Jay Hochstetler, John Merkel, Doug Rideout and James Yoder.

5. 2026 HORSEMEN'S REPRESENTATIVES

John DeLong informed the Board that applications will be accepted for the Horsemen's Rep. and Transportation Driver position and the deadline for submissions is December 31, 2025.

6. 2026 HORSEMEN'S CONTRACT

John DeLong presented a draft of the 2026 Horsemen's Contract to the Board for review and asked them to begin thinking of any changes they would like to see made to the contract by the January board meeting.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. BACKSIDE HEALTH CARE/EMERGENCY BENEFIT – Jay Hochstetler

Jay Hochstetler reported that flu shots administered by the ISA Clinic Staff will be available in the Track Kitchen on November 7 and 11. He also said that the Clinic will be closed the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas.

- b. BACKSIDE IMPROVEMENTS/RCFAC UPDATE – Robert Taylor

John DeLong went over the Hoosier Park Account Tracking Spreadsheet with the Board.

Tony Renz reported that the track will go down for maintenance after the meet until approximately December 10.

- c. BREEDERS/OWNERS/SALES – Doug Rideout.

Jamie Macomber said that the first Midwest Standardbred Horse Sale was a great experience and said that a total of 732 horses were sold over three days with 599 yearlings sold during the first two days.

- d. BUDGET/FINANCE – Rhys Helt.

Accounts Manager, Lisa Krise, presented the Board with the Quarterly Reports and Treasurer Rhys Helt said that everything looks to be on track. Lisa also stated that she would be giving a more in-depth budget report during the Executive Session.

- e. COLLEGE ASSISTANCE – Zach Miller

Zach Miller reminded the Board of the 2026 Spring College Assistance and the deadline for applications is December 31, 2025.

- f. COMMISSION RELATIONS – Tony Renz

Tony Renz reported on the recent Commission Relations Committee meeting on October 21 with the Commission, Judges and Staff. The next meeting will be set in December.

John DeLong also mentioned that the ISA Application for Recognition was approved by the Commission and a copy of the ISA's Annual Report was provided.

g. FAIR RACING – Doug Rideout

Doug Rideout reminded the Board of the upcoming Fair Convention set for January 3, 2026 and that tickets for the convention were in each Director's packet.

Tony informed the Board that he is still working on finding a company to do the live fair racing next season. He also said the next Breed Development meeting will be at the end of November.

h. GRANTS- Zach Miller – No report.

i. MEMBERSHIP/PROMOTIONS – Emily Dever.

Emily reported that the ISA membership is currently 999.

Emily also reported that the FFA Convention was a success.

It was also reported that about a dozen helmets per month have been purchased from Grattan as part of the helmet benefit.

j. PARI-MUTUEL- John DeLong.

John DeLong reported briefly on the most recent pari-mutuel meeting.

k. PUBLICATIONS/WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA-Jay Hochstetler.

Jay Hochstetler reported that production is in the process for the Stallion Directory. Jay also informed the Board that he has spoken with John Adamsky and that the new website is coming along well.

V. NEW BUSINESS.

John DeLong reported that Rep. Bob Cherry, Gary Wilcox and Rick Moore were inducted into the Hall of Fame and said if anyone has any nominations to get with him before the next meeting in June, 2026.

Tony Renz asked the Board to compensate Dean Gillette for Sire Stakes photos used for the ISA social media platforms. Doug Rideout made a Motion to compensate Dean Gillette the amount of \$500 for photos used on social media for Sire Stakes. Jamie Macomber seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Tony Renz reported that the legislative dinner went over the approved amount due to a change in location to the Steak House. Rhys Helt made a Motion to approve an additional \$592.38 for the legislative dinner. Zach Miller seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Tony Renz said he was approached about a sponsorship for the Dan Patch Awards and that Breed Development would co-sponsor. Emily Dever made a Motion for the ISA to co-sponsor the Dan Patch Awards in the amount of \$3,750.00. Zach Miller seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Jamie Macomber made a Motion to allow Tony Renz to attend the Dan Patch Awards and for the ISA to pay for his hotel room in the amount of \$600.00. Doug Rideout seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Tony Renz informed the Board that he would like to co-sponsor a Holiday Dinner to be catered by the Track Kitchen on November 29 for a total cost of \$4,000. Hoosier Park will be contributing half of the cost. Doug Rideout made a Motion for the ISA to pay \$2,000 for half of the Thanksgiving Dinner. Jamie Macomber seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Emily Dever made a Motion to accept a quote for the ISA Office porch repair from Lords Restoration in an amount up to \$6,700.00 Doug Rideout seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Tony Renz also spoke to the Board regarding setting up another Indians game for Saturday, April 25, 2026 and will report back to the Board at the next meeting with the details and cost.

The Board also discussed the Groom of the Year award for the Banquet and it was agreed to vote on it by Survey Monkey after the conclusion of the meet.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next ISA meeting/Christmas Party will be held on Monday, December 1, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Carnegie's, Greenfield, Indiana.

IX. ADJOURNMENT.

Zach Miller made a Motion to adjourn. Emily Dever seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kristi Collett, Office Manager