

We, the attached members of the WVTBA, hereby petition Dr. Doug Allara, President, pursuant to the association's bylaws to convene a general meeting of all association members to discuss the following agenda items:

Agenda

1. **Need for unity in the WV Thoroughbred industry** - Need for WVTBA to join West Virginia Racing United annually to prioritize consensus legislation to improve the industry
2. **ADW Bill** - support ADW bill HB 2913/SB577 or similar bills (**NOT** HB2955)
3. **Stallion Register published annually** in printed form and on the website.
4. **New policies to ensure informed decisions are being made.** The agenda, current financial report, and current minutes shall be disseminated at least three days before any meeting - board and/or general meetings.
5. **Audit** -An audit should be conducted going back until the last audit performed - because there has been a change in treasurer and the past treasurer was absent for most board meetings because of illness.
6. **Clarification for Board eligibility**- pursuant to the WVTBA bylaws - Article IV; Sections 3&4, members who have joined the WVTBA by July 16 (date for closing of nominations for board members) and have maintained their membership for at least two years before July 16 of an election year, shall be eligible to be nominated to the board of directors.
7. **Change the bylaws for board eligibility** to require that all board members must have either registered a West Virginia bred horse within the previous two (2) years or have raced a West Virginia bred raised by that member within the previous two (2) years.
7. **Article XI of the WVTBA bylaws should be amended to change the bylaws notice provision**, in which notice shall be given to board members *and all members* of any proposed bylaw changes, at least ten days before any meeting that such vote to amend the bylaws occurs.
8. **General membership meeting** - Pursuant to the WVTBA bylaws -Article III, Section 2, an annual meeting shall be in February. Past practices did not operate as a meeting per se, but a promotional event. The bylaws should be amended to change the annual meeting to November to allow for preparation for the next year's legislative session .
9. **How can we improve it the West Virginia thoroughbred breeding program?** Form a committee to explore all options.