

Indiana Fox Trotter Association

Minutes

February 21, 2026

Meeting was called to order by President Susan Bannwart

Attendance: Ginger Dierdorf, Susan Bannwart, Carol & Dan Heingartner, Patty & John Heldt, Bill Horton, Tammy Grant, Brenda Horvath, Rita Shrader, Shannon Harsell

January 2026 minutes were approved with a correction

Treasurer Report - \$3,697.80

IRS forms have been filed by Carol Heingartner. Carol will contact Indiana Farm Bureau for any updates they feel are warranted and supplied in writing to be reviewed at the next meeting. Any changes to the insurance will be voted on.

Membership update – 24 affiliate memberships. 21 are MFTHBA members which classifies IFTA as a Silver level affiliate that is eligible for the MFTHBA Cost-Share Program for Equine Expos and Clinics.

No change in Officers or Directors.

A membership committee consisting of Rita Shrader, John Heldt, Susan Bannwart, and Ginger Dierdorf volunteered to meet for a recruitment push and ideas on Indiana members of MFTHBA not in IFTA. Ideas included a drawing for a gift certificate for new members attending a club ride. Nothing was decided at that time.

2026 ride status-Hosts were appointed for every ride and are the points of contact. Saturday night meals will be either potluck or eat out, main dish provided by the host.

-Versailles April 17-19 , Carol Heingartner Host

-Salamonie May 15-17, Carol Heingartner Host

-Deam Lake NTR June 14, Rita Shrader Host Potluck and Tack Auction June 13

-Waterloo, MI July 10-12 will be Brenda Horvath Host

-Brown County NTR September 18-19, Susan Bannwart Host

-O'Bannon NTR October 16-17, John Heldt Host

Advertising proposal: Free for members to list items for sale on newsletter and website. Price points for outside merchant advertising were discussed. Edits and pricing to be revisited and approved next meeting.

Next meeting March 21, 11 am EST at Bird's BBQ in Daleville, IN

Meeting adjourned.