

Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2016

Held at Panera Bread in Rosedale Shopping Mall

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
Tracy Grandstrand		Kirsten Priebe	X	Sue Novak	X	Heather Parish	X
Elizabeth Lampert	X	Mary Armstrong	X	Betsy Kieffer	X	Joann Gibbs-Rumble	X
Tammy Johnson	X	Nancy Giacchetti	X	Jane Martinson	X	Betsy Gambach	X
Nicole Salazar		Lindsay Vail	X	Patti Nelson	X	Elizabeth LaFrenz	X
Norine Wilcox	X	Susan Wepplo	X	Angela Mahoney	X		

Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Approved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes – October	Mahoney	Kieffer	X		
Treasurer's Report – October	Kieffer	Parish	X		
Motion to nominate the 2016 slate of executives for 2017.	Nelson	Kieffer	X		
Motion to accept Doug Kahns' resignation.	Kieffer	Armstrong	X		
Motion to table whether or not to fill Doug Kahns' resignation until Elizabeth Lampert has confirmed that all members want to continue on the board.	Kieffer	Mahoney	X		
Vote by email - Motion to donate \$8000 from proceeds of MHHS, split evenly between We Can Ride and This Old Horse	Kieffer	Giacchetti	X		Twelve votes received - 2 of them opposed.
Adjourn	Kieffer	Priebe	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order at 7:06.

- Meeting Minutes:** Approved.
- MHJA Board Membership:** Doug Kahns has sent in his resignation from the board. The board accepted his resignation.
- Treasurer's Report:** Income for October included \$207,619.03 in Harvest Horse Show related deposits and \$53,652.78 in Sponsorship money for Harvest Horse Show. Expenses for October included \$154,125.22 in expenses related to the Harvest Horse Show, \$1,034.93 is Harvest Horse Show sponsorship, \$143.13 for printing banquet invites, \$497.59 to Amp My Brand for membership letter and cards, \$500 to Amp My Brand for Q3 Newsletter design, \$441.63 for the breakfast at MHJA Medal Finals, \$107.76 for website upgrades, \$9.30 in bank fees, \$2,219.34 for Year-End Award ribbons and awards, \$775.82 for food and printing related to the MHJA Annual Meeting, \$331.08, and \$274.11 for printing for membership mailings and mailings.
The income statement to date was reviewed.
- Nominating Committee:** The committee made a motion to nominate the 2016 executive slate for 2017 - Elizabeth Lampert for President Elizabeth Lampert, Sue Novak for Vice President, Tammy Johnson for Secretary, and Lindsay Vail for Treasurer. The motion was approved.
There was discussion around whether or not to fill Doug Kahns' position on the board. There was a motion to table whether or not to fill Doug Kahns' resignation until Elizabeth Lampert has confirmed that all members want to continue on the board. The motion was approved.
- Mid States Horse Shows:** Urban's are looking for recommendations/comments for their Mid States Horse Shows for 2017. The possibility of eliminating the pro day at the Encore show was discussed.

They are also looking for recommendations on what to do to get more attendance at their spring show.

6. **Banquet:** Elizabeth Lampert is looking for volunteers to set-up awards, silent auction items, centerpieces etc., kids to sell beads and raffle tickets and tear down at the end of the banquet. Jumper awards will be presented first.
7. **Silent Auction:** Elizabeth Lampert needs to be informed of any additional items that people would like to put into the silent auction.
8. **MHHS:** The dinner was a great success. There was discussion around the number of dinner tickets that are given out and how to communicate better to people from out of town. The MHHS committee will discuss the dinner at their next meeting.

The MHHS committee recommended that the MHJA donate \$8000 of the proceeds from the MHHS, to be split evenly between We Can Ride and This Old Horse. A motion was made and approved to accept their recommendation via email.

9. **MHJA Horse Show:** The committee asked Liza Denehay if she was available to judge. She is not available. The committee will look for another judge. They are also working on getting the Steward, Announcer etc.
10. **Membership:** Betsy Kieffer has completed the application and it will be available at the banquet.
11. **MHJA Medal Finals:** Mid States has offered to hold the MHJA Medal Finals in 2017. Comments were made about how fun and exciting medal finals were in 2016.
12. **PR and Marketing/Website:** Nancy Giacchetti has entered the 2017 show schedule onto the new calendar. It has not been added to the website. It will be released around the first of December. Nancy will provide something to Dan Urban to announce at the MHJA Awards Banquet. She also proposed that a \$20 advertising fee be charged to those barns that wanted to post information on front page of the website for events, such as clinics, that are open to the membership. The board agreed with her proposal. There will be no charge to add an event to the calendar.
13. **Zone VI:** Mark Aplin is Chair, Dan Urban is Vice Chair, and Lindsay Vail is Treasurer. The Zandra Powers Class will be held at the Mid States Fall Show. Twelve applications for the Handy Hunter Challenge were received and all of them will be funded. Shows will be allowed to open the Handy Hunter Challenge to people outside the Zone for an entry fee. The entry fee will go back to the Zone. They are also considering having a Modified Child/Adult Jumper Challenge. Betsy also asked if there would be any benefit to having Otter Creek be a B show. This would mean that the Zone would have three B rated shows and riders would be eligible for USEF Stirrup Cup Awards and finals. Elizabeth Lampert indicated that Tracy Grandstrand is speaking with Werne's about the horse show.
14. **Newsletter:** The deadline for the next Newsletter is November 21, 2016. Ads for the newsletter are needed. Pictures for Year End Awards are also needed.
15. **Future Meetings:** Future meetings will be Monday, January 9, February 6, March 6, and April 3, 2016 at Leatherdale Equine Center.

The next board meeting will be at 7:00 pm Monday January 9, 2016 at Leatherdale Equine Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:52.